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**2019 CEW Scholar:
Danielle Coates wins inaugural Leadership in Nursing
Scholarship**

Danielle Coates, Paediatric Emergency Nurse Practitioner, is the winner of the inaugural *Bonnie Boezeman AO Leadership in Nursing Scholarship*.

The scholarship will allow Danielle to undertake the Master of Healthcare Leadership at Southern Cross University.

Announcing the winner, CEW Scholarships Committee Chair, Colleen Harris, says: “CEW founding member, Bonnie Boezeman AO, created the scholarship in response to the nursing crisis in Australia.”

“In five years, there will be a shortfall of 85,000 nurses in this country. This CEW scholarship aims to help women nurses develop the leadership skills to advance their own careers and grow the nursing sector as a whole” says Bonnie Boezeman AO.

“Since 1992, CEW has provided executive and leadership development opportunities for more than 170 talented women leaders across many sectors. We are delighted that talented nurses, such as Danielle, will have a new pathway to realise their leadership potential,” says Colleen.

The winner

Danielle Coates is a Paediatric Emergency Nurse Practitioner at the Royal North Shore Hospital in Sydney. As a senior member of the emergency department, she provides clinical and professional support to medical officers, registered nurses and allied health professionals.

Danielle has over 16 years of specialist nursing experience and is recognised as a clinical leader in her field. She also is a strong advocate for her paediatric patients and their families and strives to ensure holistic family-centred care.

Danielle says: “I am a passionate supporter of clinical nurses growing their leadership skills.

“This scholarship will help me provide leadership support and guidance to other clinicians, as well as create highly effective inter-disciplinary healthcare teams.

“I have a vision for the future of nursing and healthcare more broadly, and I want to be in a position to influence change informed by my years of clinical experience.”

The scholarship

The *Bonnie Boezeman AO Leadership in Nursing Scholarship* is made possible by the generous support of CEW founding member, Bonnie Boezeman AO and Southern Cross University. It enables an Australia-registered woman nurse to undertake the Master of Healthcare Leadership at Southern Cross University.

“Congratulations to Danielle Coates, who is a wonderfully deserving recipient of the scholarship,” said Professor Adam Shoemaker, Vice Chancellor of Southern Cross University.

“Our fully online Master of Healthcare Leadership is designed to empower registered nurses to take that next step in their careers. We are delighted that Danielle represents the calibre of healthcare professionals who are attracted to the course.

“We wish Danielle well in her further studies – and beyond.”

The Master of Healthcare Leadership course equips participants with the skills to help multidisciplinary healthcare teams excel under strategic and thoughtful leadership. The engaging, flexible and interactive online course is ideally suited to professionals working in a health science discipline, like nursing, allied health or mental health. For more information about the course, visit [Southern Cross University](https://www.southerncross.edu.au).

The scholarship is part of the 2019 CEW Scholars program, which is providing 20 talented Australian women with the opportunity to take their careers to the next level by supporting executive education at internationally acclaimed business schools.

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Chief Executive Women is the pre-eminent organisation representing more than 550 of Australia’s most senior women from the corporate, public, academic and not-for-profit sectors. Its mission is “women leaders enabling women leaders”. Through advocacy, targeted programs and scholarships, CEW works to remove the barriers to women’s progression and ensure equal opportunity for prosperity.

About CEW Scholars (www.cew.org.au/scholarships)

The CEW Scholars program enables women leaders by supporting them at critical junctures in their careers, from their first management roles to top executive positions. More than 170 women have been awarded scholarships to business schools in Australia and internationally since CEW commenced its executive program for women leaders in 1992. In 2019, 20 scholarships will be offered for talented women to attend leadership courses at international business schools.

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