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To the career advisor,

New South Wales Women's Week returns on March 3rd in 2019, and there's never been a better time for female school students to get into surveying.

For the first time in history, NSW's current surveyor general is a woman. The number of women joining the profession is beginning to grow – but with only 29 registered female surveyors in New South Wales, representing 3% of the profession, there's still plenty of work to do.

To help address this, the NSW Surveying Taskforce has partnered with the Association of Consulting Surveyors to host a special **Maths in Surveying Women's Event**, to be held in Sydney on Wednesday 6th March 2019.

Held as part of NSW Women's Week, we are inviting female students with strong maths skills and an interest in geography, IT or the outdoors to learn more about the practical applications of maths – and the potential career paths it could open up through tertiary study.

Students will join consulting surveying firms from around the state and discover exactly what working in the surveying field entails. This is an invaluable opportunity for these young women; in the current climate of investment in infrastructure and housing growth, students are often employed whilst studying at TAFE or university, regardless of location.

Find a complete rundown of the day's timetable over the page.

To register your students, please email <u>admin@acsnsw.com.au</u>. There are a limited number of scholarships available for regional schools to help cover travel costs, so please enquire today.

The Association of Consulting Surveyors is pleased to be organising this initiative, so if you have any questions, please call our office on 02 9267 9728.

We look forward to seeing your students at this unique event on 6th March 2019.

Michelle Blicavs Chief Executive Officer





Maths in Surveying Women's Event Wednesday 6th March 2019

Event Details

Up to five female year 10, 11 or 12 students from your school are invited to attend, at no cost to the students or the school. This event is being supported by our industry partners, who are also offering 10 travel scholarships to regional schools, to ensure any girls wishing to attend will not have the deal with the tyranny of distance and associated costs.

Event Agenda

10am Hyde Park ANZAC Memorial

Girls meet at the Memorial, opened November 2018, where they will learn about the surveying profession's role in the historic soil collection memorial program. Groups of students will break off with to tackle surveying and mathematic problems hosted by leading registered surveyor, Ian Iredale.

12pm Lunch at Doltone House in Elizabeth Street

A group of five students will be seated with representatives from various surveying firms from around the state. During the three-course meal, female surveyors will share stories about their career journey. Speakers will range from current university students – including scholarship winners – to representatives of some of the leading surveying firms who are employing students straight out of high school to fill the demand gap within the profession.

2pm Panel Discussion

A panel of representatives from TAFE, University of New South Wales, University of Newcastle and University of Southern Queensland will outline the study pathways that lead to the surveying profession, and the multitude of options available to the students.

3pm Event Close

Girls are welcome to stay after to speak further with education and industry leaders in the surveying profession before heading home.

Guest Speakers

We will be invited a number of surveyors to share a short five minutes about their career journey. Our keynote speaker for the day will be Narelle Underwood, the first female Surveyor General in New South Wales history. At the age of 35, Narelle has been able to embrace the many opportunities available for women in STEM within the surveying profession. The Governor of NSW and NSW Minister for Women will also be our invited guests.