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CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIPS 1984

Mrs May O'Brien of Bassendean, Western Australia, who received the British Empire Medal in 1977 for her work in Aboriginal education, has been awarded a Churchill Fellowship, tenable in 1984, to study educational programs in the USA, Canada and the UK, aimed at enabling indigenous peoples to retain their own cultures while adjusting to that of the mainstream culture.

A profile of Mrs O'Brien, entitled "The Teacher from Mount Margaret", appeared in Vol. 7 No. 4 1979 of The Aboriginal Child at School, and in Vol. 8 No. 3 1980, we published her article - "The Establishment of Regional Aboriginal Committees on Education".

Congratulations May! We look forward to hearing from you next year and hope you will share your experience of your Churchill Fellowship with all our readers.

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Applications for Churchill Fellowships tenable in 1985 close on 29th February 1984.

There are no prescribed qualifications, academic or otherwise for the award of a Churchill Fellowship; they are awarded to a very wide cross-section of the Australian public from highly specialised professionals to the self-taught. Merit is the primary test, whether based on past achievements or demonstrated ability for future achievement in all walks of life. The value of an applicant's work to the community and the extent to which it will be enhanced by the applicant's overseas study project are important criteria taken into account in selecting Churchill Fellows. However, Fellowships will not be awarded in cases where the primary purpose of the application

is to enable the applicant to obtain higher academic or formal qualifications nor to those in a vocation which offers special opportunity for overseas study.

Churchill Fellows are provided with a return economy-class overseas air-ticket and an Overseas Living Allowance to enable them to undertake their approved overseas study project. In special cases they may also be awarded supplementary allowances including Dependants' Allowance. Fifty-one Churchill Fellowships were awarded for 1984.

All Churchill Fellows are presented, at an appropriate ceremony, with a certificate and badge identifying them as such. The certificate bestows upon the recipient the prestige of being a Churchill Fellow and, while a Fellow is overseas, serves to open many doors that would not otherwise be opened to a private individual.

The Churchill Trust is now calling for applications from Australians, of 18 years and over, from all walks of life who wish to be considered for Churchill Fellowships tenable in 1985.

Completed application form and reports from three referees must reach the Churchill Trust by 29 February 1984.

People wishing to be considered for a Churchill Fellowship should send their name and address NOW with the request for a copy of the Churchill Trust's information brochure and application forms to:

The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust
P.O. Box 478
Canberra City ACT 2601

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