

Indonesia

Applying for an Australia Awards scholarship

Australia Awards scholarships in Indonesia

Australia's international development assistance in Indonesia helps promote prosperity, reduce poverty, and enhance political stability.

Australia Awards scholarships are prestigious international awards offered by the Australian Government to the next generation of global leaders in developing countries. Through study and research, recipients develop the skills and knowledge to drive change and help build enduring people-to-people links with Australia.

Applicants are assessed on their professional and personal qualities, academic competence and, most importantly, their potential to impact on development challenges in eligible countries.

Applications are strongly encouraged from women, people with disability and other marginalised groups.

Priority fields of study

The priority fields of study align with the objectives of the Australia-Indonesia Development Partnership Plan 2024-2028. Australia Awards prioritises applicants seeking to undertake studies that contribute to the following objectives of the Plan:

- Equitable and sustainable economic transformation
- Climate resilient communities
- Strong institutions

The governments of Australia and Indonesia regularly review these areas of study together and adjust the emphasis of the program. Detailed information on priority areas of study can be found at: <u>Australia Awards - Indonesia</u>.

Level of study

Australia Awards scholarships provide citizens of Indonesia with the opportunity to obtain a qualification at an Australian tertiary institution.

Awards will be offered for commencement in 2026 within the following allocations:

- Master's degree
- PhD

Australia Awards benefits

Australia Awards scholarships are offered for the minimum period necessary for the individual to complete the academic program specified by the Australian education institution, including any preparatory training.

Scholarship recipients will receive the following:

- return air travel
- a one-off establishment allowance on arrival
- full tuition fees
- contribution to living expenses

- introductory academic program
- · overseas student health cover for the duration of the scholarship
- supplementary academic support,
- fieldwork allowance for research students and masters by coursework which has a compulsory fieldwork component.

Eligibility criteria

 Australia Awards applicants must meet all eligibility requirements detailed in the <u>Australia Awards Scholarships Policy</u> <u>Handbook</u>.

Country-specific conditions

In addition to the eligibility requirements, candidates from Indonesia must also meet the following conditions:

- · Be applying for courses that fall within the priority fields of study
- Have a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) as shown in the following table:

Table 1: GPA criteria (Scale 4.0)

Awards	Gol*	ETG**	NT ***
PhD	3.0	2.75	3.0
Masters	2.9	2.75	2.9

• Have a minimum English language proficiency score as shown in Table 2 below:

Table 2: English language proficiency score

Awards	Gol*	ETG**	NT***
PhD	IELTS 6.0	IELTS 6.0	IELTS 6.5
	TOEFL ITP 552	TOEFL ITP 552	TOEFL ITP 570
	TOEFL iBT 80	TOEFL iBT 80	TOEFL iBT 88
	PTE Academic 56	PTE Academic 56	PTE Academic 61
Masters	IELTS 6.0	IELTS 4.5	IELTS 6.0
	TOEFL ITP 552	TOEFL ITP 425	TOEFL ITP 552
	TOEFL iBT 80	TOEFL iBT 33	TOEFL iBT 80
	PTE Academic 56	PTE Academic 32	PTE Academic 56

* Gol: Government of Indonesia. Applicants from government agencies (central, provincial, or local) are eligible for this category, excluding employees of state-owned enterprises. The category will be limited to individuals holding the status of civil servant (Pegawai Negeri Sipil).

** ETG: Equity Target Group. Applicants with disabilities, women from disadvantaged backgrounds, or those from 15 target provinces are eligible for this category.

*** NT: Non-Targeted.All other applicants not part of the target groups outlined above.

- The IELTS (International English Language Testing System), TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language), or PTE (Pearson Test of English) results must be current and valid as at 1 January 2026. (IELTS, TOEFL scores, and PTE Academic are valid for two years after the test date). The test date must be no later than 1 January 2024. No other English language test (including the TOEFL prediction test) results will be accepted;
- · Provide contact details of the test centre for verification of TOEFL test results;
- · Already hold an undergraduate degree, if applying for a Master's degree;
- Already have a Master's degree if applying for a PhD. Specialisation/professional certificate is not considered a Master's degree;
- Not have previously received a long-term Australia Awards Scholarship in the previous four years;
- · Answer all relevant questions on the application form; and,
- Be willing and available to undertake full-time (Monday Friday 8 am-4 pm) Pre-departure training and English for Academic Purposes (EAP) training in Indonesia prior to studying in Australia, if offered a scholarship. The duration of the

EAP will range from 6 weeks to 6 months, depending on the awardee's level of English skills. For applicants from Equity Target Groups with IELTS at 5.5 or below a longer EAP training may be required.

Additionally:

- PhD awards will be targeted primarily at 1) future policy makers and policy influencers, including from civil society and academia, who are considered to have the leadership potential, intellectual capacity, and networks to make significant contributions to Indonesia's development and the Indonesia-Australia relationship; and 2) promising academic researchers or lecturers on cutting-edge topics relevant to (a) Indonesia's development and (b) Australian strengths, including STEM, with the expectation that they will return and act as a change agent in Indonesia in that field.
- It is highly desirable for PhD applicants to have a letter of support from an Australian university for their proposed study.

Application dates

For study commencing in Australia in 2026:

Opening date: 1 February 2025 Closing date: 30 April 2025 (11:59PM AEST)

Applications and/or supporting documents received after the closing date will not be considered.

The application process

Online applications

Apply online through Cognitoform.

When applying online, all essential supporting documents must be uploaded in the online application form (Cognitoform) to meet the specific requirements for Indonesia.

We advise applicants to submit their online application well before the closing date. The online application facility (Cognitoform) experiences peak usage in the days leading up to the closing date, and applicants may experience delays.

Applicants who are selected as scholarship recipients will be assisted to complete the application in the Australian Government's OASIS scholarships system.

Supporting documents

Applicants must submit all the relevant supporting documents listed in the Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook.

Applicants must also provide the following documents to meet the specific requirements for Indonesia:

Required document	OASIS document type	Certified
Yes	Birth certificate	No
Yes	ID Card: Kartu Tanda Penduduk (KTP)	No
Yes	Current Curriculum Vitae	No
Yes	All official degrees, certificates, diplomas, and transcripts	Yes*
Yes	Current (original) IELTS, TOEFL, or PTE result. Awardees' English language test results must be valid on 1 January 2026. (IELTS, TOEFL scores, and PTE Academic are valid for two years after the test date). The test date must be no later than 1 January 2024.TOEFL prediction test result is NOT accepted.	No
Yes	Referee reports: at least one academic referee report and at least one other referee report (e.g., a work supervisor's). Master's by Research or PhD applicants should provide two academic referee reports.	No
Yes**	Supporting documents for candidates applying under targeted categories, such as SK PNS, KTP from the equity targeted provinces, letters confirming disability status, etc.	No

The selection process

- · Applications will be shortlisted after eligibility checking.
- · Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted
- The selection process includes an interview. Applicants will be assessed against the following criteria:
 - academic competence
 - potential impact, specifically the contribution to development outcomes in Indonesia
 - professional and personal leadership attributes including relevant work experience
- Successful candidates will be notified in the second half of 2025.

Preparatory training

Successful applicants will be required to attend:

- full-time (Monday to Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m.) pre-departure training (PDT) in Indonesia prior to studying in Australia. The duration of the PDT will range from 6 weeks to 12 months, depending on the awardee's level of English skills.
- course counselling
- pre-departure briefing
- university's Introductory Academic Program
- other required preparatory study on arrival in Australia.

Further information

More general information about the Australia Awards, Australia's development program, and studying in Australia can be found at the following links:

- <u>Australia Awards Scholarships</u>
- <u>Study Australia</u>
- Information about visas and Australia Awards scholarship entitlements and conditions can be found in the <u>Australia</u> <u>Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook</u>.

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