



Australia Awards

# Singapore

## Applying for an Australia for ASEAN scholarship

### Australia for ASEAN scholarships in Singapore

At the ASEAN-Australia Special Summit held in March 2024, Australia's Prime Minister announced 75 Australia for ASEAN Scholarships to support emerging ASEAN leaders to study in Australia and advance the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific (AOIP).

Australia for ASEAN scholarships are prestigious international awards offered by the Australian Government to the next generation of leaders from ASEAN member states. Through study and research, recipients develop the skills and knowledge to drive change and help build enduring people-to-people links with Australia.

The Australian Government and Australia's world class university sector are jointly contributing to these scholarships, demonstrating Australia's whole-of-nation commitment to the region. The following universities are partnering with this program:

- Australian National University
- Bond University
- Deakin University
- Griffith University
- Monash University
- Queensland University of Technology
- RMIT University
- Swinburne University of Technology
- University of Adelaide
- University of Melbourne
- University of New South Wales
- University of Queensland
- University of Southern Queensland
- University of Tasmania.

Australia for ASEAN scholars will also participate in an ASEAN Emerging Leaders Program, which will provide a range of learning, networking and development opportunities.

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

Applicants are assessed on their professional and personal qualities, academic competence and their potential to impact on one of the four priority areas of cooperation: maritime, connectivity, economic, and sustainable development cooperation.



## Priority fields of study

The priority areas of study are:

- Maritime
- Connectivity
- Economic
- Sustainable Development Cooperation

Detailed information on priority areas of study can be found at: <https://asean.org/speechandstatement/asean-outlook-on-the-indo-pacific/>

## Level of study

Australia for ASEAN scholarships provide an opportunity to obtain a Master by research or Master by coursework qualification at an Australian tertiary institution. Students wishing to undertake a Masters by research degree are strongly encouraged to apply.

Scholarships will be offered for commencement in 2025.

## Australia for ASEAN Scholarship benefits

Australia for ASEAN 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
- a place in the ASEAN Emerging Leaders Program.

## Eligibility criteria

Australia for ASEAN scholarship applicants must meet all eligibility requirements detailed in the *Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook*, available at: [dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx](https://dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx)

## Country-specific conditions

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

- be a citizen of Singapore
- already hold an undergraduate degree
- an English language proficiency of at least 6.5 in IELTS with no band less than 6.0 (or 575 in paper based TOEFL or 90 in internet based TOEFL or 61 in PTE Academic). The IELTS, TOEFL or PTE Academic result must be current (obtained in the last 2 years from the application closing date, or a test result obtained between 30 April 2022 and 30 April 2024 will be considered current). No other English language test (including TOEFL prediction test) results will be accepted.

IELTS testing result is not a requirement for applicants if:

- English was the language of instruction for your undergraduate degree, or
- you studied in Australia within the last two-years, or
- you completed over five years of study in one of the following English-speaking countries: Australia, UK, USA, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, or the Republic of Ireland
- answer all relevant questions on the application form.

## Application dates

For study commencing in Australia in 2025:

Opening date: 13 March 2024

Closing date: 15 May 2024 (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 Cognito form <https://www.australiaawardsindonesia.org/id/ASEAN>

### Supporting documents

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

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

OASIS document type
Birth certificate
Proof of citizenship e.g. passport
Current Curriculum Vitae
All official degrees, certificates, diplomas and their transcripts*
Current (original) IELTS, or TOEFL, or PTE result (if applicable).

*\*Must be certified by: a notary; or the official records department of the institution that originally issued the document/s.*

*\*If not in English, a certified translation*

## 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 outcome, specifically advancing the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific
  - professional and personal leadership attributes including relevant work experience
- Successful candidates will be notified in late 2024
- Awardee travel will be subject to meeting the requirements imposed by the Australian Government, as determined by the Department of Home Affairs, Department of Education and by the relevant Australian State or Territory governments.

## Preparatory training

Successful applicants will be required to attend:

- course counselling
- pre-departure briefing
- university's Introductory Academic Program
- other required preparatory study on arrival in Australia.

## Further information

Information about the Australia Awards can be found on the DFAT Website.

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

- [dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/australia-awards/pages/australia-awards-scholarships](https://dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/australia-awards/pages/australia-awards-scholarships)
- [studyinaustralia.gov.au](https://studyinaustralia.gov.au)

Information about visas and Australia Awards scholarship entitlements and conditions can be found in the Scholarships Policy Handbook: [dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx](https://dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx)

## Contacts

Please send any enquires to our team managing the Australia ASEAN Scholarships in Jakarta using the email subject "*Inquiry ASEAN Scholarship*" to [longtermawards@australiaawardsindonesia.org](mailto:longtermawards@australiaawardsindonesia.org)