



Mongolia Factsheet

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Australia Awards in 2020



Australia Awards Alumni in Mongolia

Since 1993, over 617 Mongolians have completed studies in Australia funded by the Australian Government, including:

- 47 Endeavour scholars
- 30 Leadership scholars
- 11 scholars who identified as PWD
- 16 provincial scholars

Two-hundred and twelve Australia Awards scholars have studied in Australia over the past seven years.

Scholars by study start year

• 2014	36	• 2015	44
• 2016	20	• 2017	31
• 2018	37	• 2019	34
• 2020	10		

In-Australia Scholars

Thirty-eight scholars (23 women | 15 men) are currently pursuing postgraduate studies in Australia at Masters level.

The institutions hosting the highest number of scholars are:

- University of Melbourne (7)
- University of Queensland (4)
- Australian National University (3)
- Curtin University (3)

Linkages between Alumni and Australia

Professional and institutional links established by alumni in 2019–20 include:

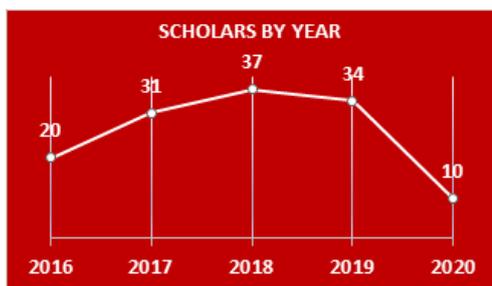
- Provided several sessions on “Health Service Quality Management Network for Patient Safety”, supported by establishing a Mongolian network – which has proposed further collaboration with the University of New South Wales (UNSW) to support ongoing capacity building.
- Initiated a Memorandum of Understanding between Mongolia’s National University of Medical Science and Curtin University of Technology for Mongolian student exchanges for masters and PhD degrees.
- Organised an international conference in collaboration with two Australian representatives from the Department of Correctional Service and Courts Administration Authority of Australia and discussed how to develop training modules for Mongolian staff working at the General Executive of Court Decision.

Development Contributions of Alumni

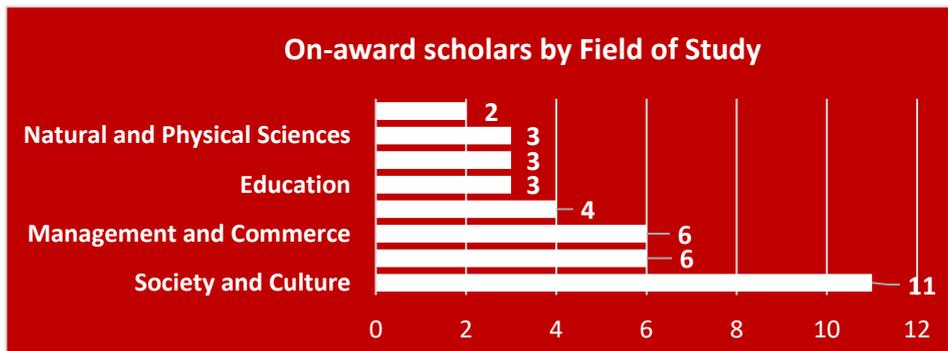
Development contributions of Mongolian alumni in 2019-20 include:

- Developed Mongolia’s first private health insurance product and its service infrastructure called ‘Jargalan Health Insurance’. It has become the largest private hospital network in Mongolia with a direct billing system and increased the local private health insurance market by over 400%.
- Established an information technology-based healthcare service company called Zevtronic LLC, technologising some of the core medical services in Mongolia.
- Established a Technology Transfer Office at the Mongolian National University of Medical Science and developed policies on innovation, technology transfer, start-ups, and trademarks.
- Leading product improvement in minerals processing, related to quality, efficiency, and yield.

Australia Awards Scholarships over the past five years



On-award scholars by Field of Study





Development Contributions of Alumni (continued)

- Completed needs analysis and capacity building of public sector agencies in the resources sector, relating to sustainable development, leadership, environment, and gender.
- Developed an index-based livestock insurance scheme covering 30% of herders in Mongolia.
- Developed innovative ICT solutions to equipment monitoring to improve efficiency and cost effectiveness in the mining sector.
- Involved in developing a master plan 'Health Sector Strategic Plan' for the Ministry of Health.
- Involved in the development of sustainable development goals for the health sector.
- Involved in amending Innovation Law of Mongolia and Intellectual Property Law of Mongolia.
- Developed and implemented a Monitoring and Evaluation ICT system at the Ministry of Finance.
- Developed an internal audit methodology handbook for all government registered auditors.
- Founded an NGO advocating for trauma-informed policies in Mongolia, raising public awareness of sexual violence, providing treatment for survivors of sexual violence, and carrying out capacity building activities.
- Board Director of the Autism and Other Exceptional Children's Academy of Mongolia, which provides diagnostic and intervention services for children.

Alumni Activities

Alumni activities conducted during 2019-20 have included:

- alumni participation in Facebook Live information sessions discussing their Australia Awards Scholarship experiences
- Mozzies Professional Development Grant activities including social and sporting events such as a Christmas celebration, the annual basketball competition in November, and an Australian Bushfire fund-raising event
- Women's Leadership Program Cohort #6 successfully completed, and Cohort #7 Orientation in October

- Australian Cultural Month in October-November including:
 - Aboriginal Art week
 - Australian Movie week
 - Australian Book week
 - Australian Education week
 - 'Australia that I know' student essay competition
 - Australian drawing competition
 - Australian library virtual tour.

Alumni activities planned for the remainder of 2020 include:

- Mozzies professional development activities including the sector focused forums and workshops, and professional networking event
- Mozzies' children's event
- Mozzies Annual General meeting
- continued implementation of Women's Leadership Program Cohort #7.

Women's Leadership Program (WLP)

The WLP aims to foster women in leadership and decision-making positions, demonstrating their technical and leadership skills in their community, and expanding their self-confidence, and networks, and becoming agents of change.

Twenty WLP Cohort #6 participants (18 women | 2 men) engaged in eight months of professional development activities in 2019-20, including leadership skills training, networking events, lunch forums with prominent leaders of Australia and Mongolia, a Final Retreat included attendance by alumni workplace supervisors, and implemented four community development projects, being:

- Rural Women's Empowerment program
- Gender Mainstreaming in the Private Sector
- Save Future by Drop, and
- Re-branding Mozzies

Planned WLP Cohort #7 activities in 2020-21:

Professional development seminars, lunch forums, networking events, orientation retreat, reflection workshop, pitch event, a final retreat and graduation ceremony, and four community development projects.

Australia Awards and WLP Alumna in action

An Australia Awards alumna has been contributing to improving digital options for Small and Medium Enterprises - which make up ~98 percent of all enterprises in Mongolia - through her mentoring program that utilises experiences gained while studying a Master of Business Administration, which included overseas learning and industry engagement opportunities. Through participation in the WLP, the alumna gained a deeper understanding of benefits of inclusiveness of marginalised groups and specific attributes of women's leadership. Additionally, the WLP in-Australia component offered mentorship and she utilised this opportunity to acquire advice from Australian mentors on start-up investment - including seeking capital injections. Through her company, she focuses on employing those from marginalised groups - aiming to provide support via an ongoing income source which enables employees to access work-from-home options. This has been demonstrated as best practice during the COVID-19 pandemic and has helped employees keep a stable income - as well as to improve customer relationships in implementing digital marketing for many Mongolian SMEs.

Mongolia-Australia Society - Mozzies

The Mongolia-Australia Society is an active alumni association with more than 300 members.

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