



Mongolia

Applying for an Australia Awards scholarship

Australia Awards scholarships in Mongolia

Australia's international development assistance in Mongolia helps promotes a peaceful, stable and prosperous future for Australia and in the region.

The Australia Awards program aims to support partner countries in achieving their development goals through education, knowledge exchange, and building enduring relationships with Australia. It equips emerging leaders with the skills, networks, and experience needed to contribute to sustainable development and foster international cooperation.

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

Priority fields of study

The priority areas for eligible Mongolia are:

- Agriculture, Environment and Related Studies
- Architecture and Building
- Creative Arts
- Education
- Engineering and Related Technologies
- Food, Hospitality and Personal Services
- Health
- Information Technology
- Management and Commerce
- Mixed Field Programmes
- Natural and Physical Sciences
- Society and Culture

The governments of Australia and Mongolia 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: [Australia Awards Mongolia](#).

Level of study

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

Awards will be offered for commencement in 2027 within the following allocations:

- category 1: public sector receives 50 per cent of scholarships
- category 2: private sector, including civil society and international organisations, receives 50 per cent of scholarships.

Awards will be offered for study in a Master's program by coursework or by research only.

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 master by coursework which has a compulsory fieldwork component.

Eligibility criteria

Australia Awards applicants must meet all eligibility requirements detailed in the [Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook](#)

Country-specific conditions

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

- Applicants require a full-time Bachelor's degree from a university with a Grade Point Average (GPA) of no less than 3.0. If a GPA score is not explicitly stated in the graduation diploma, applicants must obtain the relevant GPA certification from their respective universities.
- When applying, applicants must have achieved an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) Academic score of 6.5 (with no individual band score less than 6.0) or an equivalent score in the internet-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (iBT-TOEFL). English language test scores must be valid on 1 January 2027. iBT-TOEFL Home Edition and Institutional TOEFL scores are not accepted. If selected, provisional awardees will be offered up to four months of English language training in Mongolia. Provisional awardees who do not achieve IELTS 6.5 by the end of the English language training will forfeit their scholarship.
- Applicants (apart from those with an identified and verified disability) must demonstrate at least two years' continuous employment in Mongolia up to 1 February 2026 (maternity leave excepted). Category 1 applicants are required to have worked in the public sector for two years prior to 1 February 2026.
- Applicants with identified and verified disability do not need to demonstrate two years of continuous employment. Applicants should be aware that Australian and Mongolian classifications of what constitutes a disability are different, and existing medical/health conditions will not be accepted as a disability – for details, please review the Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook.

Note

Applicants two-years' continuous work requirement should be counted from the date of graduation of full-time Bachelor's or Master's course and backed up by certified Social Insurance monthly payments. Voluntary Social Insurance payments will not be accepted as verification of employment duration.

Applicants who have obtained a Master's qualification funded from Mongolian-bilateral government scholarship schemes cannot apply for an Australia Award Scholarship.

Applicants who have accepted a Master's qualification funded by Mongolian-bilateral government scholarship schemes during the interview round will no longer be eligible to be considered for an Australia Award scholarship.

Applicants who have obtained a PhD qualification from institutions from Mongolia or overseas cannot apply for an Australia Awards Scholarship.

Declaration

Applicants are strongly encouraged to provide answers to all questions in the online application form to ensure completeness of understanding and compliance. Submitting the online application form means applicants declare they have read and are complying with the Scholarships Handbook and that the contents of their application are true and correct.

Application dates

For study commencing in Australia in 2027:

Opening date: 1 February 2026 (09:00 AEDT)

Closing date: 30 April 2026 (14:00 AEST)

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

The application process

Online applications

All applications must be lodged online through [OASIS](#).

- Applicants must use their full name exactly as it appears on their passport, including first, middle, and last names.
- Applicants must not use nicknames, shortened versions, or abbreviations of their names.

Supporting documents

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

Applicants must compile documents into single PDFs by document category, name the files appropriately (e.g.

“Certificates”, “Referee Reports”), and ensure that the scanned documents are in colour, legible, in correct page order and orientation.

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

Required document	OASIS document type	Certified
Birth certificate (<i>copy of original and English language translation</i>)	Proof of citizenship	No
National ID	Proof of citizenship	No
Tertiary degree certificates (<i>bachelor's and/or master's level; copy of original and English translation, notarised</i>)	Degree certificate	Yes
Academic transcripts (notarised copy of original and English translation, including GPA) <i>If GPA score is not explicitly stated in the graduation diploma, applicants must obtain relevant GPA certification from their respective universities</i>	Academic transcript	Yes
Reference of Social Insurance payment for the period 1 February 2024 to 1 February 2026 Note: applicants with a declared and verified disability without an employment history do not require this document Note: applicants with an exemption from Social Insurance should contact Australia Awards-Mongolia for instructions	Other documents	No
Copy of Academic IELTS or iBT-TOEFL certificate	Proof of English language proficiency	No
Statement of Employment (<i>with a stamp in Mongolian and with English translation</i>) Note: applicants with a declared and verified disability without an employment history do not require this document	Employer or Nominating Authority Statement	No
Academic Referee Reports (<i>two reports are required for master by research applicants; one for master by coursework applicants. If reports are in Mongolian, English translations are required. The report template is generated by OASIS and is also available on the Australia Awards-Mongolia website</i>)	Referee report	No
Employment Referee Report (<i>using the same referee template as above. If in Mongolian, an English translation is required</i>) Note: applicants with a declared and verified disability without an employment history do not require this document	Referee report	No
Curriculum Vitae (<i>applicants must use the template on the Australia Awards-Mongolia website</i>)	Curriculum Vitae (CV)	No
Reintegration Plan (<i>applicants must use the template on the Australia Awards-Mongolia website</i>)	Other documents	No

The selection process

- Applications will be shortlisted after eligibility checking.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted regarding the outcome of the shortlisting process.
- The selection process includes an interview. Applicants will be assessed against the following criteria:
 - academic competence
 - potential outcome, specifically the contribution to development outcomes in [country name].
 - professional and personal leadership attributes including relevant work experience.
- Successful candidates will be notified in late 2026.
- Awardee travel will be subject to meeting the requirements imposed by the Australian Government, as determined by the federal Department of Home Affairs and 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

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

- [Australia Awards Scholarships](#)
- [Study in Australia](#)

Information about visas and Australia Awards scholarship entitlements and conditions can be found in the [Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook](#).

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