

# Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook

International Scholarships · Answer Key · 30 Questions

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## 1. What is the primary purpose of the Australia Awards Scholarships?

- A) To promote Australian tourism
- B) To contribute to the long-term development needs of Australia's partner countries**
- C) To provide opportunities for Australian students to study abroad
- D) To fund research in Australian universities only

## 2. Who must read and understand the Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook before signing the contract?

- A) Only applicants
- B) Only institutions
- C) Awardees
- D) All parties involved: institutions, applicants, awardees, DFAT, and their managing contractors**

## 3. Where can one seek further assistance regarding Australia Awards Scholarships?

- A) Via phone call to the Australian Embassy
- B) support@australiaawards.org**
- C) Through a personal visit to DFAT offices
- D) By contacting the institution directly

## 4. What is the ISBN of the Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook?

- A) 1 920861 77 7**
- B) 978 0 642 47777 7
- C) 1 920861 77 8
- D) ISBN 1 920861 77 9

## 5. What is the main website for DFAT (Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade)?

- A) www.dfat.gov.au**
- B) www.australia.gov.au
- C) www.dfat.com
- D) www.australiaawards.org

## 6. What is a key responsibility of awardees regarding their scholarship contract?

- A) To not communicate with DFAT
- B) To sign the contract with the Commonwealth of Australia**
- C) To only study subjects approved by their home country
- D) To avoid all contact with their institution

**7. What is the general timeframe for Australia's academic year?**

- A) March to December
- B) January to October
- C) September to June

**D) Aligned with the calendar year**

**8. Who are considered 'Alumni' in the context of Australia Awards Scholarships?**

- A) Current applicants

**B) Award recipients who have completed their scholarship and returned home**

- C) DFAT staff managing the program
- D) All international students studying in Australia

**9. What does the acronym 'DFAT' stand for?**

- A) Department of Finance and Treasury

**B) Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade**

- C) Department of Future Australian Technologies
- D) Department of Federal Assistance and Tourism

**10. What is the minimum age requirement for applicants to be eligible for an Australia Awards Scholarship?**

- A) 16 years

**B) 18 years**

- C) 21 years
- D) There is no age limit

**11. What is a key eligibility criterion related to Australian or New Zealand citizenship/residency?**

- A) Applicants must be Australian citizens

**B) Applicants cannot be citizens of Australia or hold permanent residency in Australia**

- C) Applicants must have lived in Australia for at least 5 years
- D) Applicants must be married to an Australian citizen

**12. What is the consequence of providing falsified certificates or documents as part of an application?**

- A) A warning letter

**B) Automatic disqualification from the selection process/scholarship**

- C) A small fine
- D) A mandatory interview

13. What is the required IELTS overall score for Australia Awards Scholarships?

- A) 6.0
- B) 6.5**
- C) 7.0
- D) 5.5

14. How long is pre-course English language training in Australia typically limited to?

- A) 3 months
- B) 6 months**
- C) 12 months
- D) 24 months

15. What is the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS)?

- A) A list of all Australian universities
- B) The official Australian government website listing education providers and courses for overseas students**
- C) A database of scholarship recipients
- D) A register of student visas

16. When should applicants have their course preferences finalized?

- A) After arriving in Australia
- B) When they sign the scholarship contract
- C) Before submitting their application**
- D) During the pre-departure briefing

17. What is the maximum duration of study permitted for a Bachelor's degree under the scholarship?

- A) 3 years
- B) 4 years**
- C) 5 years
- D) 6 years

18. What is the maximum duration for a Master's degree program?

- A) 1 year
- B) 2 years**
- C) 3 years
- D) 4 years

**19. What is the maximum duration for a PhD program?**

- A) 3 years
- B) 4 years**
- C) 5 years
- D) 6 years

**20. What are the consequences if an awardee fails to leave Australia for at least two years after completing their scholarship?**

- A) They receive a warning
- B) They incur a debt to the Commonwealth of Australia**
- C) Their scholarship is extended
- D) They are banned from future Australian travel

**21. What is the purpose of the Introductory Academic Program (IAP)?**

- A) To provide a holiday before studies begin
- B) To prepare awardees for study in Australia, covering academic, welfare, and cultural aspects**
- C) To teach advanced English language skills
- D) To arrange accommodation only

**22. What is the amount of the establishment allowance provided to awardees on arrival in Australia?**

- A) A\$2,000
- B) A\$5,000**
- C) A\$7,500
- D) A\$10,000

**23. What is the fortnightly payment made to awardees to help meet everyday living costs called?**

- A) Living Stipend
- B) Contribution to Living Expenses (CLE)**
- C) Daily Allowance
- D) Scholarship Subsidy

**24. What is Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC)?**

- A) Optional health insurance
- B) Mandatory health insurance for all student visa holders in Australia**
- C) Travel insurance only
- D) Coverage for pre-existing conditions only

**25. What is the purpose of a reunion airfare entitlement?**

- A) To fund travel for family members to visit Australia
- B) To provide unaccompanied awardees with return travel to their home country for a reunion visit**
- C) To cover the cost of moving personal belongings
- D) To fund fieldwork trips

**26. What is the general rule regarding remaining in Australia after the scholarship end date?**

- A) Awardees can stay indefinitely
- B) Awardees cannot remain in Australia for a minimum of two years after completion unless DFAT supports it**
- C) Awardees must stay for an additional year
- D) Awardees can only stay if they find employment

**27. What is the definition of a 'welfare incident' in the context of the handbook?**

- A) Any minor inconvenience
- B) Any event that adversely affects, or has the potential to adversely affect, an awardee's ability to complete their scholarship (excluding critical incidents)**
- C) Only serious medical emergencies
- D) Only criminal activity

**28. What is defined as a 'critical incident'?**

- A) Any event that slightly impacts studies
- B) A serious event that adversely affects, or has the potential to adversely affect, an awardee's ability to complete their scholarship, including breaches of law, serious injury, or death**
- C) Any dispute between awardees
- D) Any academic failure

**29. What is DFAT's stance on domestic and gender-based violence?**

- A) It is not addressed in the handbook
- B) It is considered a welfare incident only
- C) DFAT has a zero-tolerance position on domestic and gender-based violence**
- D) DFAT provides legal assistance for all cases

**30. What is the maximum period for fieldwork?**

- A) 6 months
- B) 12 months**
- C) 18 months
- D) 24 months