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SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

CAMBRIDGE AUSTRALIA SCHOLARSHIP
For Master’s Degree Scholarships, applicants must:

- Show proven academic ability, supported by appropriate references.
- Demonstrate achievements in other field(s) and the energy to use their talents to the full as exemplified by contribution to the community and organizations to which they belong; and
- Be of excellent character and have a commitment to ethical leadership.

For PhD Scholarships, applicants must:

- Be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident;
- Have a Degree from a recognized Australian university; and
- Gained admission to the University of Cambridge to undertake a PhD degree.

FRANK KNOX FELLOWSHIPS
Knox Fellowships are open to men and women who:

- are citizens of Australia at the time of application and who are normally residing in Australia; AND
- have completed or will complete a first or higher degree at an Australian university; AND
- are studying for a first or higher degree and will graduate in the academic year 2020-2021; OR have completed a first or higher degree and graduated no earlier than 2016.

FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS
Applicants must:

- be an Australian citizen, and must not hold dual US-Australian citizenship or US permanent residency
- secure placement with a primary US institution
- have completed an undergraduate degree or equivalent
- not already hold another scholarship for the period/project undertaken on the Fulbright scholarship.

It is recommended that applicants visit the Fulbright Commission website for the full list of criteria.

GENERAL SIR JOHN MONASH SCHOLARSHIPS
Applicants must:

- be an Australian Citizen;
- have completed or be about to complete an undergraduate degree from an Australian University; and
- be planning to undertake postgraduate study at an overseas university commencing in the calendar year following the year of application and selection.

RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS
Given the current situation with the Covid-19 pandemic, aspects of the application requirements and subsequent selection processes may be subject to change. The Rhodes website and the attached document will be updated with any changes and once you have started an application any changes will be communicated via email. If you have any specific concerns regarding the application requirements please contact the National Secretary for your constituency.

Applicants must:

a. An Australian citizen or permanent resident.
b. Have completed at least two years of schooling at an Australian secondary school.
c. Meet either of the below criteria:
i. You must be at least 18 and have not reached your 25th birthday (i.e. you must have been born after 1 October 1995 and on or before 1 October 2002).

OR (for older candidates who completed their first undergraduate degree later than usual)

ii. You must have not reached your 27th birthday (i.e. have been born after 1 October 1993) AND your first undergraduate degree must have been (or will be) awarded on or after 1 July 2019*

* A university's policy determines the date a degree is considered awarded. In ambiguous cases, the decision of the National Secretary is final.

d. Academic achievement: Your academic achievement must be outstanding, as demonstrated by:

i. completion by no later than 30 June 2021 of either:
   1. an Australian Bachelor’s degree, with or without Honours (Australian Qualifications Framework levels 8 or 7);
   2. an Australian Masters degree (Australian Qualifications Framework levels 9 or 9E);
   3. an international equivalent of one of the above degrees.
ii. indicatively, achievement of a GPA of at least 6.75/7, Weighted Average Mark of 80%, or equivalent, in your degree(s);

iii. meeting the entry requirements for your proposed course at Oxford (http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions), noting that any fails on your degree transcript will make admission into Oxford University unlikely.

e. If unsuccessful in your first application to the Rhodes Scholarships, you may subsequently re-apply only once more (and this must be in the same constituency), subject to meeting the eligibility criteria.

**ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS**

Eligibility for Professional development certificate program:

- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor’s degree
- Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace as shown through professional and academic achievements and personal or community service
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Be able to explain how their plan to promote peace aligns with Rotary’s mission

Eligibility for Masters:

- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor's degree
- Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace as shown through professional and academic achievements and personal or community service
- Potential for leadership
- Have at least three years of full-time experience in peace or development work

**WESTPAC SCHOLARS**

For Westpac Future Leaders’ program, applicants must be:

- Be an Australian Citizen or permanent resident
- Have completed an undergraduate degree within the last five years, OR will complete an undergraduate degree in the year of application
- Have achieved or are on track to achieve an average result of H1 or H2A equivalent (approx. 75%)
- have chosen to undertake a full-time Masters by coursework or research of a PhD at one of our nine participating universities with demonstrated world-class capability in the proposed area of study
- commence study following the year of the application.

For Westpac Asian Exchange program, applicants must:

- An Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Studying full time at a participating Australian university (all fields of study are eligible)
- Enrolled in second year or beyond when commencing their exchange
- Holding a minimum of a credit average
- Intending to do a one or two semester exchange, commencing in Semester 2, 2020

**SCHWARZMAN SCHOLARSHIPS**

Applicants must:

- have an undergraduate degree or first degree from an accredited college or university or its equivalent
- be at least 18 but not yet 29 years of age as of 1 August 2020
- demonstrate strong English skills, as all teaching will be conducted in English.
CAMBRIDGE AUSTRALIA SCHOLARSHIPS

Background

Cambridge Australia Scholarships provides scholarships for outstanding Australian graduates to undertake Masters and PhD studies at the University of Cambridge, England.

In collaboration with The Cambridge Commonwealth, European and International Trust, Cambridge Australia Scholarships awards up to ten PhD scholarships and a number of Masters degree half-scholarships each year.

Around 1000 Australians have been supported by Cambridge Australia Scholarships (and its predecessor organisation) since establishment in the 1980s.

Why apply for a Cambridge Australia Scholarship?

Scholars past and present form part of an international network that encompasses all countries supported by the Cambridge Commonwealth, European and International Trust.

Cambridge Australia Scholarships’ aim is to foster candidates’ intellectual, ethical and spiritual life to enable them to become effective leaders in the community.

Up to ten competitive scholarships are awarded each year by Cambridge Australia Scholarships. The scholarships have been made possible through the generosity of a number of Cambridge alumni and others in Australia, in partnership with the Cambridge Commonwealth, European and International Trust.

Benefits of the Masters Degree Scholarship

Each scholarship is tenable for one year and covers one half of the total costs (University fees, College fees and maintenance) associated with a coursework Masters degree.

These half-scholarships are designed to encourage candidates to co-fund their studies—e.g., with funding from other scholarships; prior employment income; or sponsorship from business, clubs or family and friends.

Benefits of the PhD Scholarship

Cambridge Australia Scholarships offers scholarships for Australian graduates of outstanding academic merit to study for a PhD degree at University of Cambridge. Each scholarship is tenable for three years and covers:

- University fees;
- A maintenance allowance at the single student rate set for graduate admission; and
- A contribution towards a return airfare to the UK.

Eligibility Criteria

Master’s Degree Scholarships

- Show proven academic ability, supported by appropriate references;
- Demonstrate achievements in other field(s) and the energy to use their talents to the full as exemplified by contribution to the community and organizations to which they belong; and
- Be of excellent character and have a commitment to ethical leadership.

PhD Scholarships

- Be an Australian Citizen or Permanent Resident;
- Have a Degree from a recognized Australian university; and
- Gained admission to the University of Cambridge to undertake a PhD degree.

How to apply

To be considered for a Cambridge Australia Foundation PhD or Masters Scholarship you must first apply for entry to the University of Cambridge.

All applications for both a place and a scholarship must be made through the Graduate Admissions Office at the University of Cambridge.

Want more information?

Before contacting Cambridge Australia, please visit the Cambridge Australia website for more information.

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FRANK KNOX MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIPS

Background

The Frank Knox Memorial Fellowships were established at Harvard University in 1945 as a gift from Annie Reid Knox, wife of the late Frank Knox, who served as U.S. Secretary of the Navy in the 1940s and was a highly regarded politician and businessman, believed that strong ties between the United States and Britain were essential to international peace.

The Frank Knox Fellowship program is administered by the General Scholarships Committee at Harvard.

Why apply for a Frank Knox Fellowship?

If you are successful in being awarded a Frank Knox Fellowship, you are seen as a potential leader in your field that possesses the strength of character, keen mind, balanced judgement and a devotion to the democratic ideal.

The Scholarship offers you the opportunity to pursue graduate study at Harvard University which is ranked in the top 10 Universities in the world (QS Rankings).

Benefits at a glance

The Frank Knox Fellowship covers:

- Full Harvard tuition
- Mandatory health insurance fees
- A stipend sufficient to cover the living expenses of a single Fellow for a 10-month academic year.

Knox Fellowship funding is guaranteed for up to two years of study at Harvard for students in degree programs requiring more than one year of study.

Eligibility Criteria

Knox Fellowships are open to men and women who:

- Are citizens of Australia at the time of application and who are normally residing in Australia; and
- Have completed or will complete a first or higher degree at an Australian university; and
- Are studying for a first or higher degree and will graduate in the academic year 2019/2020; or, have completed a first or higher degree and graduated no earlier than 2015.

Selection Process

Candidates will be selected on the basis of:

- Academic excellence
- Strength of character
- Potential for leadership in the applicant’s field.

Fellowship offers will be determined based on the recommendations from Australian Universities, Harvard University admission decisions, and the review by the Committee on General Scholarships.

HOW TO APPLY

Current Monash University students must apply via the Monash University Scholarships Manager (http://www.intranet.monash/graduate-research/admissions-scholarships/scholarships/frankknox).

Gradautes apply directly to Harvard.

Applicants must supply the following documentation:

- A completed and signed Fellowship application form, which is attainable from the Frank Knox Fellowship website.
- Curriculum Vitae
- Short essay of no more than 1,000 words, which provides an account of the applicant’s academic pursuits, intellectual interests, extra-curricular activities and the reasons for his/her desire to study at Harvard University; the essay should also explain the applicant’s plan of study at Harvard and his/her future career plans
- Certified copies of all academic transcripts
- Two confidential letters of recommendation

Want more information?

Before contacting Monash University Scholarships please visit the Frank Knox website for more information.

Email: mge-apply@monash.edu

For additional information, please contact:

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Harvard University
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Cambridge, MA 02138

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Email: pgovoni@fas.harvard.edu
FULBRIGHT SCHOLARSHIPS

Background
Established in Australia in 1949 through a binational treaty between the Australian and U.S. Governments, the program has supported almost 4,800 Scholarships. Australian-American Fulbright Commission offers Scholarships to Australian Citizens across all career stages.

Scholarship Categories
Postgraduate Scholarships
Allows postgraduate students undertaking their Australian PhD to conduct research in the U.S. OR supports postgraduate students no currently enrolled in a degree program to undertake a U.S. postgraduate program such as a Masters.

Postdoctoral Scholarships
Allows Australian researchers who have completed their PhD in the past three years (up to five years under extenuating circumstances) to undertake postdoctoral research in the U.S.

Senior Scholarship
Allows senior level academics to undertake research at a U.S. institution. This may include:
- Scholars of established reputation working in an academic institution who teach and undertake research.
- Senior members of academically-based professions who are currently engaged in the private practice of their profession.

Fulbright-Anne Wexler Scholarship in Public Policy
For Australian postgraduate students with strong academic credentials and leadership potential to undertake a Masters degree the United States in an area that supports Mrs Wexler's binational interests in the field of public policy. These may include, but are not limited, to key areas such as health, sustainability, education, energy, climate change, regional security, political science, and history or governmental relations.

Distinguished Chair in Agriculture and Life Sciences (sponsored by Kansas State University)
For an exceptional Australian Professor to carry out research at Kansas State University in the U.S. The Distinguished Chair is viewed as among the most prestigious appointments in the Fulbright Scholar Program.

Indigenous Scholarship
For an Indigenous Scholar to undertake a research or study program in the U.S. and is available in any field of academic study, across any category (Postgraduate, Postdoctoral, Professional and Senior).

Why apply for a Fulbright Scholarship?
Since its establishment, The Fulbright Program has grown to become the largest and one of the most prestigious educational exchange programs in the world.

Benefits at a glance
- Professional Network – Alumni & US / International connections & collaborations
- Enrichment seminars in U.S. with international Fulbright Scholars
- Fulbright Alumni support network
- Academic Training (for postgraduates) – one year to legally work in your field of study in the U.S. following completion of study / research
- Access to travel grants including Fulbright Gregory Schwartz Grant to enrich Fulbright experience
- Travel and living allowance for up to 12 months depending on the Scholarship
- Note: The cost of obtaining a postgraduate degree from a U.S. university can be as much as USD $40,000 per year. For this reason, applicants should investigate additional funding sources from their universities along with private and government sources as the Fulbright Scholarship will only cover living and travel expenses

Eligibility Criteria
For all Scholarship categories, applicants must:
- Must be an Australia Citizen
- Cannot hold dual US-Australian Citizenship
- Apply in 2020 for the 2021 round
- Have completed an undergraduate degree or equivalent
- Not already hold another scholarship for the period/project you plan to undertake on your Fulbright scholarship
- Secure placement with a primary U.S. Institution

In addition to the above criteria, applicants are encouraged to visit the Fulbright Scholarships website for further information on specific eligibility criterions for each scholarship category.

Selection Process
Applicants are selected by panels of experts chosen from academia, government, professional organisations and the U.S. Embassy.
Selection is on the basis of:
- High academic and professional merit
- Relevance of program proposal to the interests of the applicant, along with both Australia and the United States.
- Potential outcomes to the applicant’s institution, profession, employer and/or industry.
- Ambassadorial skills
- Adaptability
Tips for success

Good Planning

- Understand what Fulbright is and why it best fits your academic goals
- Research and identify the best Scholarships for you and consider multiple options
- When & how will it fit with your studies?
- Identify and negotiate with the host institutions that suit you
- Plan ahead of time
- Good professional guidance and supportive referees

Application

- Understand and address Scholarship focus
- Write it in plain English (multidisciplinary)
- Get someone outside your field to proof read
- Select and brief your referees
- Submit on time and ensure it is complete
- Apply as if it is your DESTINY Interview
- Prepare
- Highlight and value add relevant to application
- Be prepared to discuss why you and your proposal are suitable for the Scholarship, in plain English
- Be aware of options and how it will happen
- Engage the committee

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are currently open and must be submitted online on the Fulbright website.

Before contacting Fulbright please visit the Fulbright website and read the Frequently Asked Questions and Applicant Guidelines.

Australian-American Fulbright Commission
E: program@fulbright.org.au
THE GENERAL SIR JOHN MONASH AWARDS

Background
The General Sir John Monash Foundation is a charitable organization established in Australia in 2001. Its purpose is to raise funds for, and to administer, Australia's prestigious postgraduate scholarships - the John Monash Scholarships - to recognise excellence and leadership.

Why apply for a John Monash Scholarship?
John Monash Scholars immediately achieve national and local recognition through the publicity offered to the Scholarships. Over the longer term, the Scholars are part of a growing community of outstanding young Australian leaders aspiring to advance our nation.

Benefits at a glance
Between 10 and 20 postgraduate Scholarships are available, depending on the quality of the candidates, each valued at AUD $65,000 per year for a maximum of three years (up to AUD $195,000).

Eligibility Criteria
Applicants must:
- Be an Australian Citizen;
- Have completed or be about to complete an undergraduate degree from an Australian University; and
- Be planning to undertake postgraduate study at an overseas university commencing in the calendar year following the year of application and selection.

The Scholarships support any postgraduate degree however the applicant must be able to argue the merits of the chosen course and institution.

Selection Process
In awarding John Monash Scholarships, factors considered include:
- Outstanding Intellect: Demonstrated by academic excellence; excellence can also be demonstrated through prizes, awards, conference presentations, publications, performance and exhibition (for arts candidates);
- Leadership: Demonstrated and potential - within or outside an Applicant's field of study or professional field; Citizenship – community service;
- Program: a defined research project or study program to be conducted at an overseas University. Applicants will need to justify why this is the right program, at the right point in their career, at the right institution.
- Proposed Career Trajectory: a credible and concrete pathway, addressing an issue the applicant is passionate about, which is of benefit to Australia;
- Three referee reports supporting the applicant's profile.

HOW TO APPLY
Applications must be submitted online on the General Sir John Monash Foundation website.

Want more information?
Before contacting the General Sir John Monash Foundation, please visit the John Monash website for more information.

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RHODES SCHOLARSHIPS

See separate Rhodes document for details

Tips for success

Talk over your application well before the due date regarding CV preparation, referee selection, and a personal statement. Each of these (incl. references) should address as much as possible the four key selection criteria.

Referees
Referees (6) must be chosen carefully. Usually 3 academic referees, plus 1 covering school activities and 2 relating to community/sports.

Personal Statement
Drafting a personal statement is a challenging process (talk through with selected friends/advisers).

Interview
Be prepared for wide ranging questions at the interview.

Important points to remember

- You can make an application for the Scholarship whilst still in the process of completing Honours.
- There is no formula for your academic background for admission to the Rhodes program. If there are ‘imperfections’ in your academic record, describe the reasons why in your personal statement.
- The personal statement component of your application is critical in reaching the interview. This is not a re-working of your curriculum vitae. Covering your motivations, aspirations and future plans, this is your opportunity to explain why you should be chosen and why you would be a leader.
- If you receive an offer of a Scholarship in 2020, you would be required to begin your program at Oxford in 2021.
- If you are unsuccessful, you may re-apply for the Scholarship until you exceed the cut-off age of 25 years.

HOW TO APPLY

Review the Rhodes website and create an account to open an application form online

Want more information?

Before contacting Rhodes please visit the Rhodes website and read the Frequently Asked Questions and Applicant Guidelines.

Discuss your potential application with one of Monash University’s Rhodes Scholars

W: https://www.rhodeshouse.ox.ac.uk/scholarships/scholarship-application-overview/
ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIPS

Background
Grassroots at the core, Rotary links 1.2 million members to form an organization of international scope. It started with the vision of Chicago attorney Paul Harris, who formed the Rotary Club of Chicago in 1905, so professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas, form meaningful, lifelong friendships, and give back to their communities. Rotary’s name came from the group’s early practice of rotating meetings among the offices of its members.

Why apply for a Rotary Peace Fellowship?
Through application of their training, study, networking, and practice Rotary Peace Fellows become leaders and catalysts for peace and conflict resolution. Many go on to careers in national governments, NGOs, the military, law enforcement, peace education, media, international organizations like the United Nations and World Bank, and grass roots organisations working in communities.

Rotary International is committed to this program. Since 2002 more than 1,100 graduates have been trained, with 100 scholarships now available each year.

Benefits at a glance
The Rotary Peace Fellowship includes:
- Tuition and fees
- Room and board
- Round-trip transportation
- Internship/field study expenses
- Bursary for living expenses

For a Master’s fellowship
Up to two years of fully funded graduate study at an internationally recognised program in England (University of Bradford), Japan (International Christian University), Sweden (Uppsala University), or United States (Duke and University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill).

For the three-month professional development certificate
Designed for mid-career professionals already working in the field of peace and conflict resolution. This fully funded course at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok offers a mix of theory and practical skills in both a classroom environment and in the field.

Eligibility Criteria
Applicants for Rotary Peace Fellowships must have the following:

Eligibility for Professional development certificate program:
- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor's degree
- Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace as shown through professional and academic achievements and personal or community service
- Demonstrate leadership skills
- Be able to explain how their plan to promote peace aligns with Rotary’s mission

Eligibility for Masters:
- Be proficient in English
- Have a bachelor's degree
- Have a strong commitment to cross-cultural understanding and peace as shown through professional and academic achievements and personal or community service
- Potential for leadership
- Have at least three years of full-time experience in peace or development work

HOW TO APPLY
Rotary Peace Fellows are selected through a competitive worldwide process.

Review: The entire application online at www.rotary.org/en/peace-fellowships

Speak to: A Rotarian that you know

Contact
- Rob Helme at rhelme@bigpond.net.au or 0402 299 492
- Tania Miletic (Peace Fellow alumni) at taniamiletic@yahoo.com or 0437 272 287
- Bob Fels at robertmfels@gmail.com or (03) 9417 6550

DISTRICT 9800
District 9800 has recruited and mentored more successful Rotary Peace Fellow applicants than any other district worldwide. A directory of the clubs in the district can be found at https://rotarydistrict9800.org.au/clubdirectory/
On-line applications for study require District endorsement and close on 30h May 2020.
Schwarzman Scholars

Background

Designed to prepare the next generation of global leaders, Schwarzman Scholars is the first scholarship created to respond to the geopolitical landscape of the 21st Century. Whether in politics, business or science, the success of future leaders around the world will depend upon an understanding of China’s role in global trends.

With the inaugural class enrolled in 2016, the program gives the world’s best and brightest students the opportunity to develop their leadership skills and professional networks through a one-year Master’s Degree at Tsinghua University in Beijing – one of China’s most prestigious universities.

Students live and study together on the campus of Schwarzman College, a newly-built, state-of-the-art facility, where all classes are taught in English. Students pursue a Masters in Global Affairs, with concentrations in one of the disciplines:

- Public Policy
- Economics and Business
- International Studies.

Why apply for a Schwarzman Scholarship?

Students spend a year immersed in an international community of thinkers, innovators and senior leaders in business, politics and society. In an environment of intellectual engagement, professional development and cultural exchange, they learn from one another and pursue their academic disciplines while building their leadership capacities. This experience will expand students’ understanding of the world and create a growing network of global leaders for the future.

For those ready to make their mark on the world, Schwarzman Scholars represents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.

Benefits at a Glance

The following costs are covered as a Schwarzman Scholar: tuition, fees, room and board, travel to and from Beijing at the beginning and end of the academic year, in-country study tours, required course books and supplies, Lenovo laptop, health insurance, and a personal stipend.

Eligibility Criteria

- An undergraduate degree or first degree from an accredited college or university or its equivalent. Applicants who are currently enrolled in undergraduate degree programs must be on track to successfully complete all degree requirements by August 1, 2020 before orientation begins. There are no requirements for a specific field of undergraduate study; all fields are welcome, but it will be important for applicants, regardless of undergraduate major, to articulate how participating in Schwarzman Scholars will help develop their leadership potential within their field.

  - Candidates must be at least 18 but not yet 29 years of age as of August 1, 2020.
  - Applicants must demonstrate strong English skills, as all teaching will be conducted in English.

Selection Process

Interested candidates will participate in a rigorous and thorough selection process, designed to identify the most promising young leaders from around the world. The process includes an online application and credentials evaluation as well as in-person regional interviews. Those selected will have demonstrated their potential to not only benefit from but also contribute to the Schwarzman Scholars program.

Required forms and records

- A complete and successfully submitted online application, including the requested personal statement(s) and supplementary components below.

- Uploaded transcripts/academic records from every degree-granting college or university attended (undergraduate or graduate – must be combined into one PDF and then uploaded). If transcripts are not in English, official translations must be included.

- Three electronic letters of recommendation. At least one of these letters must come from a recommender who can comment on the specific examples of leadership described in the candidate’s application, but the recommender must at least be able to comment on the candidate’s leadership qualities from direct knowledge of the candidate. Recommendations must be translated to English by a professional translator if written in another language.

- Video: Submission of a video is strongly recommended but not required. The video can be up to one minute in length, and candidates are invited to introduce themselves in any style or setting they think best conveys their interests and personality. Note: the file must be less than 20MB.

- Current resume/CV: Please submit a resume or C.V. appropriate for any application for employment in your country. This can be no longer than 2 pages.
Two essays

Essay One: Statement of Purpose and Leadership (750 words)

Feel free to write this as one continuous statement or to break it into short sections for each theme. In either case, you must stay within the 750-word limit. Describe your professional interests and goals; how they have evolved over time, and how will the Schwarzman Scholars program and a deeper knowledge of China's role in the world help advance your goals? Based on your prior professional and personal experiences, how do you think you will contribute to the community of Schwarzman Scholars and to the program’s mission? Include specific situations in your professional, academic, or personal life when you have demonstrated the leadership qualities outlined below.

Guidance on describing your leadership qualities and experience: candidates must describe specific examples of their leadership that

- explore their intellectual/analytical abilities to understand challenges and opportunities, and envision solutions,
- take initiative to act,
- use strong interpersonal skills to inspire a team effort, and
- push through resistance and/or challenges in reaching results.

The applicant's example(s) of leadership might address some but not all of these characteristics. Examples might include efforts such as founding a student or community organization that successfully addressed a pressing need; taking on a transformative role in an existing organization; founding and running a start-up to take advantage of an emerging opportunity. Candidates should NOT let these examples limit their thinking and should draw on their own personal experiences for similar examples of leadership. The key is to help the committee understand the candidate’s leadership characteristics, not just to list titles and accomplishments.

Candidates should avoid describing situations that might fall into one of the following categories, all of which are valuable learning and growth experiences, but do not give the committee a deeper understanding of the applicant’s leadership characteristics over extended periods of time:

- accomplishing a difficult but typical task assigned in the workplace
- solving brief problems of cultural miscommunication while traveling or studying overseas
- simply winning office in a student or community organization (It is, however, helpful, to describe the challenges faced and accomplishments achieved in office.)
- brief situational challenges (focus instead on longer term projects and challenges.)

Essay Two: Current Affairs Essay (up to 500 words)

Choose an issue in contemporary social, international, business, environmental, diplomatic, arts, or other policy that is of interest. This essay should lay out the current factors and trends influencing the topic and make a realistic recommendation of how local, national, or international leaders should intervene to contribute to a more peaceful and prosperous future.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications must be submitted online on the Schwarzman Scholars website.

https://www.schwarzmanscholars.org/admissions/
WESTPAC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Background

The Westpac Scholarship Program is an initiative of the Westpac Bicentennial Foundation. The Foundation celebrated Westpac’s 200th anniversary in 2017 with a $100 million gift to future generations of Australians. With the sole aim of educating and advancing Australians, they will ensure those with a passion to contribute to our nation’s growth and prosperity have every chance to do so.

WESTPAC FUTURE LEADERS PROGRAM

Why apply for a Westpac Future Leader Scholarship?

Whether your focus is Asia, new technology or social change we’re offering postgraduate study for talented individuals at Australia’s leading universities. Scholars will be exceptional people, chosen for their potential to make a difference to Australia’s future in one of our three focus areas:

- Strengthening Australia-Asia ties
- Enabling positive social change
- Technology and Innovation

Valued at up to $120,000 over, typically, 2-3 years, scholarships will be awarded annually for research or coursework studies at graduate level.

Benefits at a glance

A key feature of the Future Leaders Scholarship is the Leadership Development Program, developed specifically for our Scholars.

You will experience leadership development beyond the classroom. This nine-month program supports you to build on your strengths, develop targeted leadership capabilities, create career pathways and succeed in your field.

The Leadership Development program provides relevant experiences, exposure to global thought leaders and explores key topics related to our focus areas. The Leadership Development Program was created in collaboration with recognised experts in leadership excellence, including several leading Australian universities.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- Be an Australian Citizen or permanent resident
- Have completed an undergraduate degree within the last five years, OR will complete an undergraduate degree in the year of application
- Have achieved or are on track to achieve an average result of H1 or H2A equivalent (approx. 75%)
- have chosen to undertake a full-time Masters by coursework or research of a PhD at one of our nine participating universities with demonstrated world-class capability in the proposed area of study
- commence study following the year of the application.

Your proposed program of study:

- Can be in any field and must be relevant to the Foundation’s focus areas
- May include international opportunities, such as a period of study at an overseas university, an invited presentation at a conference significant to the discipline, or a period of internship or placement at an overseas organisation
- Must underpin a worthy and viable post-study plan that benefits Australia
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Benefits at a glance
The Foundation will invest $12,000 in your studies for up to two semesters in Asia. But what makes our Asian Exchange Scholarships so unique is our bespoke leadership development program. For many, our one-week residential experience in Shanghai is an invaluable introduction to Asia. It won’t just prepare you for your exchange, it’ll give you insights into the social and political context of Asia – essential skills you’ll need to live and work in the region.

Eligibility Criteria
Applicants must be:

- An Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Studying full time at a participating Australian university (all fields of study are eligible)
- Enrolled in second year or beyond when commencing their exchange
- Holding a minimum of a credit average
- Intending to do a one or two semester exchange, commencing in Semester 2, 2020

HOW TO APPLY
Applications must be submitted online on the Westpac Bicentennial scholarship website.

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