



**Australia Awards**



**NEW ZEALAND  
SCHOLARSHIPS**

**Australia Awards Scholarships  
Australia Awards Pacific Scholarships  
New Zealand Scholarships**

**COMMON APPLICATION FORM 2020**

**DUE DATE: 22 MARCH 2019**

Completed applications must be lodged at the New Zealand High Commission by 4:00pm Tarawa time on Friday 22 March 2019 or submitted by email to [TarawaScholarships@dfat.gov.au](mailto:TarawaScholarships@dfat.gov.au).

Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted

For which level of study are you applying? Please tick <b>only one</b> box.	
Undergraduate degree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Postgraduate degree	<input type="checkbox"/>
Which scholarship/s are you applying for? Please tick <b>any that apply</b> .	
Australia Awards Scholarship to Australian institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Zealand Scholarship to New Zealand institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Australia Awards Pacific Scholarship to regional institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Zealand Scholarship to regional institutions	<input type="checkbox"/>

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# YOU MUST COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

## SECTION 1: ELIGIBILITY

This checklist will help you decide whether you are eligible to apply for a scholarship. Please read and answer the questions carefully, and refer to the additional information provided. You must complete this checklist as part of your application, and your application will not be accepted if this checklist is incomplete.

To be eligible for a scholarship **you need to be able to say yes or not applicable to every question** below that applies to you. You may tick 'Not Applicable' on selected questions only when the specific statements apply. Please answer all questions truthfully and completely. Your application may be invalid if you do not.

**If you are ineligible, please do not submit an application.**

PLEASE READ EACH CAREFULLY	Yes	No	Not applicable
I will be at least 18 years old on 1 February 2020.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I am currently living in Kiribati <b>AND</b> I have been living in Kiribati for at least two years.  <i>Mark 'Not applicable' (see below) if you are:</i> a. a member of the Kiribati diplomatic corps or a dependent of a member of the diplomatic corps b. are undertaking a short-term scholarship overseas or have done so in the last two years c. a Form 7 student, residing in Kiribati, who has studied overseas in the last two years.  <i>Note: Please record the letter (a, b or c) of the category that applies in the space provided</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
I am a citizen of Kiribati.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I am not a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand or Australia.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I am not currently serving in the military.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I have completed Form 7 or an equivalent; OR I plan to have successfully completed Form 7 or an equivalent by 1 January 2020.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I do not have a qualification at the same level for which I am applying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I confirm I have not previously been terminated from a scholarship because of poor academic performance or personal conduct.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I expect to meet the academic entry requirements (including for <b>English language proficiency</b> ) to get into my preferred program of study.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I expect to meet immigration requirements for a student visa to Australia, New Zealand or the Pacific country I will study in (i.e. valid ordinary passport, medical checks, police checks, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I confirm that my intended study aligns with Government of Kiribati Human Resource Development Priorities (see Annex 1 of Information Pack).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I am committed to return to Kiribati for a minimum of two years at the end of my scholarship to contribute to my country's development.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Please complete if you would like to be considered for an Australia Awards scholarship</b>			
I confirm that I do not hold / am not eligible for Australia or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency and that I am not married, engaged to, or de facto of a person who holds or is eligible for Australia or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
I have previously held a long-term Australia Awards Scholarship and I confirm that I have lived outside of Australia for twice the length of the total time that I was in Australia.  <i>Tick 'Not Applicable' if you have not previously held an Australia Awards Scholarship.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Please complete if you would like to be considered for a New Zealand scholarship</b>			
I confirm that I have at least two years of work experience (part-time or full-time, paid or voluntary).  <i>Tick 'Not Applicable' if you are applying for a pre-service scholarship (i.e. school leavers).</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
In addition to New Zealand and Australia, I confirm that I am not a citizen or permanent resident of any of: Canada; Israel; Japan; Qatar; Saudi Arabia; USA; United Kingdom; European Union Countries; United Arab Emirates.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**YOU MUST COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS MARKED \* IN THIS SECTION**

**SECTION 2: PERSONAL AND CONTACT DETAILS\***

<p>Details given in this section must match your <u>passport, birth certificate or other official identification document</u>.  <b>Details will be checked against official documents.</b></p>			
Title*	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Dr <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify)		
Marital Status*	<input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Single <input type="checkbox"/> Divorced <input type="checkbox"/> Separated <input type="checkbox"/> De-facto <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) :		
Family name*			
Given names*			
<p><b>Note:</b> Your family and given names must be in accordance with your passport or birth certificate.</p>			
Date of birth*	/ / dd/mm/yyyy	Gender*	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Indeterminate/ Intersex/ Unspecified)
Place of birth* (Village and Country)			
In which country are you living?*	<p><i>Please note, this may be verified through the relevant government authority.</i></p>		
How long have you been living there (years, months)?*			
Do you have dual citizenship?*	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If yes, what is your second country of citizenship?			
<p><b>Note:</b> If you are a citizen of Cook Islands, Niue or Tokelau and are entitled to hold a New Zealand passport, please <u>do not</u> list New Zealand as your first or second country of citizenship.</p>			
Have you applied, or are you intending to apply, for permanent residency or citizenship in Australia or New Zealand?*	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Passport no. <i>(Ordinary Passport only: not Official/Government Passport)</i>	Issue date / /		
	Expiry date / /		
Are you subject to any criminal or civil proceedings that are currently awaiting legal action?*	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
<p>If <b>'Yes'</b> please attach a statement explaining the incident/legal action. Information provided here will not necessarily disqualify you from being considered for a scholarship.</p>			

**Special assistance is available to eligible students who may have a disability.**

Do you identify as having a disability?\*

*A disability includes a physical, intellectual, psychiatric, sensory or neurological impairment.*

Yes  No

If **'Yes'**, please provide details if you require special assistance or equipment to participate in the scholarship selection processes or to live and undertake studies in another country?

Do you have a spouse who is also applying for, or currently undertaking, an Australian or New Zealand scholarship?

*This information will not affect the selection process but may inform placements if both spouses are offered awards, based on the merits of their individual applications.*

Yes  No

If 'yes', please provide your spouse's full name and name of the scholarship they are undertaking

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**Residential address**

The following section must be completed with accurate information. Please check that your contact details are correct. If you cannot be contacted, your application may not proceed.

Address\*

Village/Town\*

Island\*

**Mailing address (only if different from your current residential address)**

Address/ PO Box

Village/Town

Island

**Telephone and email – you must provide at least one contact number and one email address**  
(preferably an individual not shared email account)

Mobile no\*.

Work phone no.

Home phone no.

email 1\*

email 2

**YOU MUST COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS MARKED \* IN THIS SECTION**

**SECTION 3: PROPOSED AREA OF STUDY**

Scholarships are offered to applicants whose study program will benefit the development of Kiribati. Applicants are required to select one of the areas lists included in Annex 1 of the Information Pack.

**Please make your choice carefully.** You will be asked about your preference decisions in later stages of the selection process. Your preferred area of study should be relevant to your Form 7 subject choices and/or work or career aspirations.

**\*What is the level of studies/qualification you wish to pursue? Please mark one box only**

Certificate or Diploma	<input type="checkbox"/>	Postgraduate Diploma/Certificate	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bachelors	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masters by coursework	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (e.g. Specialized degree such as MBBS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Masters by research	<input type="checkbox"/>

If other, please specify:

<b>*Preference 1 Course Title</b>	
Area of Study (must be in accordance with area of study priority list)*	
Preferred institution	
<b>*Preference 2 Course Title</b>	
Area of Study (must be in accordance with area of study priority list)*	
Preferred institution	

<b>*Does your intended study require 50% or more research (e.g. Masters by Thesis or Research)?</b>	
Yes – 50% or more research	<input type="checkbox"/>
No	<input type="checkbox"/>

If your intended study program will include at least 50% research (e.g. Masters by Thesis or Research), you must attach an outline of the proposed research project (up to 500 words) at Section 8. PhD applications are not supported.

**YOU MUST COMPLETE ALL QUESTIONS MARKED \* IN THIS SECTION**

**SECTION 4: QUALIFICATIONS**

List your qualifications (whether complete or not) by level of study, **starting with the highest**. If you have not completed your studies please list your anticipated end date. Add an extra page if there is insufficient space.

**Copies** of the official transcripts, certificates and English language translations must be attached to the application (see Section 10).

A copy of the grade assessment schedule used at each institution for all academic results or transcripts must also be attached.

<b>1. Qualification name*</b>	
Level of study*	<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary (High School) <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational/technical <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate <input type="checkbox"/> Postgraduate
Name of institution*	
City*	Country
Language of instruction* (e.g. Te-Kiribati, English, Chinese)	Start date    /    /
	End date    /    /
Status*	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Pending results <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete
<b>2. Qualification name</b>	
Level of study	<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary (High School) <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational/technical <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate <input type="checkbox"/> Postgraduate
Name of institution	
City	Country
Language of instruction	Start date    /    /
	End date    /    /
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Pending results <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete
<b>3. Qualification name</b>	
Level of study	<input type="checkbox"/> Secondary (High School) <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational/technical <input type="checkbox"/> Undergraduate <input type="checkbox"/> Postgraduate
Name of institution	
City	Country
Language of instruction	Start date    /    /
	End date    /    /
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Complete <input type="checkbox"/> Pending results <input type="checkbox"/> Incomplete

**SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS\***

Only include details of tertiary education scholarships (attach a separate list if there is not enough space)			
<b>Have you previously been awarded a scholarship?*</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<b>Have you ever had a scholarship terminated?*</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Title of Scholarship and Name of Sponsor			
Start date		End date	
Qualification (if applicable)			
Institution		Country	

## SECTION 5: PURSUIT OF CONTINUAL LEARNING

List any workshops, seminars, conferences, training courses, online courses, non-award study or other formal professional development activities you have completed that are relevant to your intended area of study.

**Don not** include work experience in this section, details of work experience are requested in other sections.

Certified copies for courses listed may be requested if you are selected for an interview.

<b>1. Name of institution/training provider</b>	Location (city and country)	Length of training (hours, days or months)
Main Topic of learning/training/study		
<b>2. Name of institution/training provider</b>	Location (city and country)	Length of training (hours, days or months)
Main Topic of learning/training/study		
<b>3. Name of institution/training provider</b>	Location (city and country)	Length of training (hours, days or months)
Main Topic of learning/training/study		
<b>4. Name of institution/training provider</b>	Location (city and country)	Length of training (hours, days or months)
Main Topic of learning/training/study		

## SECTION 6: EMPLOYMENT AND PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

If you are currently employed or have had previous working experience please answer the questions in this section.

**If you are not currently employed** and have not previously been employed, you do not need to complete this section. Go to Section 7.

An up-to-date curriculum vitae (CV) may be requested at the interview stage. Written references may be requested at the interview stage.

Are you currently employed?*	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
If 'Yes', please provide details of your current job below	
Position title	
Organisation name	
Organisation address	
Date commenced	/ /
Sector/organisation type	<input type="checkbox"/> Government/public <input type="checkbox"/> NGO/civil society <input type="checkbox"/> Private
Current duties and responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)	
Do you intend to return to your current employer after your scholarship?*	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

**Previous Relevant Employment**

Only provide previous employment that is relevant to your application. Add an extra page if there is insufficient space.

**1. Previous position**

Position title

Organisation name

Organisation address

Start date

/ /

End date

/ /

Duties/responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)

**2. Previous position**

Position title

Organisation name

Organisation address

Start date

/ /

End date

/ /

Duties/responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)

**3. Previous position**

Position title

Organisation name

Organisation address

Start date

/ /

End date

/ /

Duties/responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)

## SECTION 7: COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTARY WORK

If you have or had a role in community or voluntary work please include details in this section. Add an extra page if there is insufficient space.

Written references may be requested at the interview stage.

### Position 1

Position title			
Organisation name			
Organisation address			
Start date	/ /	End date	/ /
Duties/responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)			

### Position 2

Position title			
Organisation name			
Organisation address			
Start date	/ /	End date	/ /
Duties/responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)			

### Position 3

Position title			
Organisation name			
Organisation address			
Start date	/ /	End date	/ /
Duties/responsibilities (approximately 80-100 words limit)			

## SECTION 8: WRITTEN STATEMENTS

Please make statements, in English, addressing the three topics below. These statements may be written in the space provided, or attached in a separate, clearly labelled document (typed or written).

In no more than 350 words, outline why you chose your proposed course and institution.

In no more than 350 words, outline the specific skills and knowledge you want to gain from your proposed study and how this study will contribute to your current or future career and to the development of Kiribati.

In no more than 350 words, describe some of the challenges you could expect to face living and studying overseas, and the strategies you might use to overcome them.

**Research Outline**

If you are applying for a postgraduate scholarship and your intended study program will include at least 50% research (e.g. Masters by Thesis or Research), you must attach an outline of the proposed research project (up to 500 words). The outline should include the following:

- Proposed research title
- Objectives
- Significance, and potential application, of your proposed research to the development of Kiribati
- Proposed research method

If you have already applied to institutions or had any correspondence with a staff member, please attach copies to the application form.

You may be asked for further details about your proposed research at later stages in the selection process.

Research title

## SECTION 9: APPLICANT DECLARATION

You **must** complete and sign this section

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I certify that the statements made by me in this application for a scholarship overseas are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and acknowledge that supplying incomplete or false information will result in the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) or New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT) rendering my application invalid.

In relation to personal information collected in this application form, DFAT must comply with the *Australian Privacy Act 1988*; MFAT must comply with *New Zealand Privacy Act 1993*.

**I fully understand the conditions of this application form, I agree and consent to:**

- a) carry out such instructions and abide by such conditions as may be stipulated by both DFAT or MFAT for the purposes of meeting scholarship award requirements;
- b) the release of information contained in this form to relevant authorities to enable me to be considered for a scholarship overseas. This may include my personal information being collected, handled, used and disclosed by and exchanged between DFAT and MFAT, other government agencies, partner organisations (including managing contractors and sub-contractors), medical insurers, medical practitioners, case managers, and the Government of Kiribati; and
- c) the exchange of information between DFAT and MFAT, and authorities such as immigration authorities or any other relevant government agencies.

I am not aware of any medical or other conditions that might prevent me from taking up a scholarship overseas.

I fully understand that if I am offered a scholarship it may be subsequently withdrawn at any time if I fail to meet any of the conditions outlined in this application form.

I fully understand that decisions of the selection panel are final and confidential and no correspondence about the outcomes of the selection process will be entered into.

I acknowledge that supplying false or misleading information is a serious offense under the *Criminal Code Act 1995* of the Commonwealth of Australia, and under the *New Zealand Crimes Act 1961*.

**Printed name**  
(as in your passport and/or birth certificate): \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION 10: DOCUMENT CHECKLIST

It is important that you correctly fill out all relevant sections in the application form, and attach all the documents requested in the application form. **Applications with incomplete documentation will not be considered.**

**Copies of original documents must be provided.** Where original documents are not in English, applicants must provide certified copies of official English translations.

Please check that you have attached the following documents in support of your application. Failure to provide copies will disqualify you from the selection process.			
<b>You must complete this checklist as part of your application, and your application will not be accepted if this checklist is incomplete.</b>			
To be eligible for a scholarship <b>you need to be able to say yes or not applicable to every question</b> below that applies to you. You may tick 'Not Applicable' on selected questions only when the specific statements apply. Please answer all questions truthfully and completely. Your application may be invalid if you do not.			
	Yes	No	Not applicable
<b>I confirm that I have attached the following scholarship application documents.</b>			
Completed scholarship application, including the signed declaration at Section 9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Written statements answering the criteria specified in Section 8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
An outline of the proposed research project (500 words limit) as requested in Section 8 <i>Tick 'Not Applicable' if you are not applying to undertake study requiring more than 50% research.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>I confirm that I have attached copies of the following documents.</b>			
Birth certificate and/or passport (proof of age and citizenship)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Form 6 results <i>Tick 'Not Applicable' if you have completed Form 7.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Certified copy of Form 7 results <i>Tick 'Not Applicable' if you have not completed Form 7 or are applying for a postgraduate degree.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Certified copy of results from any post-secondary school study (including current or incomplete) <i>Tick 'Not Applicable' if you have not completed any post-secondary school study.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A copy of the grade assessment schedule used at each institution for all academic results or transcripts	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

## IMPORTANT

**You will be contacted if you are invited to sit an interview.**

**If you have not been contacted by mid-May 2019 your application has been deemed unsuccessful.**