



Australia Awards Scholarships Maldives

Study Commencing in 2019

Eligibility Checklist

Potential applicants for an Australia Awards Scholarship in the Maldives for study commencing in 2019 are encouraged to use this checklist to assess whether they **may** satisfy the eligibility criteria for an Australia Award before they commence an application. This checklist is not exhaustive and must be read in conjunction with the Country Profile for the Maldives for study commencing in 2019 and the information available at: australiaawardsmaldives.org.

Please note that Australia Awards will **only** be awarded to persons who apply for an Award in the prescribed manner and are selected through the formal selection process. Full details of the application and selection process and the conditions of the Award are available at: australiaawardsmaldives.org.

Criterion	Your response/eligibility
Personal details	
Q1 Are you over 18 years of age?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—please continue to Q2 <input type="checkbox"/> No—you are ineligible
Q2 Are you a citizen of the Maldives and currently residing in and applying from the Maldives?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—please continue to Q3 <input type="checkbox"/> No—you are ineligible
Q3 Are you married, engaged to, or a de facto of a person who holds, or is eligible to hold, Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—you are ineligible <input type="checkbox"/> No—please continue to Q4
Q4 Are you applying for a visa to live in Australia?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—you are ineligible <input type="checkbox"/> No—please continue to Q5
Q5 Are you current serving military personnel?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—you are ineligible <input type="checkbox"/> No—please continue to Q6
Previous foreign scholarships / foreign qualifications	
Q6 Have you held a foreign scholarship in the 24 months preceding the application closing date (30 April 2018)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—you are ineligible <input type="checkbox"/> No—please continue to Q7
Q7 Have you obtained an academic qualification outside the Maldives in the 24 months preceding the application closing date (30 April 2018)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—you are ineligible <input type="checkbox"/> No—please continue to Q8

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Previous scholarships from the Australian Government	
Q8 Have you previously been awarded an Australia Awards Scholarship?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—please continue to Q9 <input type="checkbox"/> No—please continue to Q10
Q9 Have you resided outside of Australia for twice the length of the total time that you were in Australia for your previous Australia Awards Scholarship? (For example, if you were on an Australia Awards Scholarship in Australia for two years, you will not be eligible to apply for another Australia Awards Scholarship until you have resided outside Australia for four years.)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—please continue to Q10 <input type="checkbox"/> No—you are ineligible
Proposed study program	
Q10 Does your proposed study program fall within one of the priority development sectors?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—please continue to Q11 <input type="checkbox"/> No—you are ineligible.
Qualifications and work experience	
Q11 Do you satisfy the following requirements? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do you have a tertiary qualification at least equivalent to an Australian Bachelor’s degree? <i>Please contact the Australia Awards Maldives Country Program Manager if you are unsure whether your qualification is accredited and accepted by the Australia Awards.</i> ▪ Is your proposed Master’s degree course two years or less in duration? ▪ Have you worked in the Maldives for at least 24 months preceding 30 April 2018 and after completing your Bachelor’s degree? 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—please continue to Q12 <input type="checkbox"/> No—you are ineligible
English language proficiency	
Q12 Do you have one of the following test scores that will be still valid on 1 January 2019? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an IELTS (Academic) score average of 6.5 or above (with no individual band less than 6.0); or ▪ a TOEFL paper-based test score of at least 580, with a minimum of 4.5 in the test of written English; or ▪ a TOEFL internet-based test (iBT) score of at least 92, with a minimum of 21 in all subtests; or ▪ a Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic) overall score of 58, with no communicative skill score less than 50? <p><i>Note: Australia Awards recipients must meet the English language requirements of their course, which may be higher than the minimum requirements specified here.</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes—you <i>may</i> be eligible. We encourage you to investigate further at: australiaawardsmaldives.org <input type="checkbox"/> No—you are ineligible unless you can satisfy this criterion by 30 April 2018.