

Australian Government

# Australian Development Scholarships 2012 Intake Application Form

### Instructions

#### Please print neatly using block letters (huruf cetak) and black ink

- Before completing this form, you must read the Australia Development Scholarships Handbook (The Handbook) and your Country's profile, available on the AusAID Website (see below) or from the AusAID/Managing Contractor's office in Indonesia. Brief information about the program is also included in this application form. Also see www.adsindonesia.or.id
- > You **must** complete all fields marked with an \* and all relevant sections.
- > This application **must** be completed in English.
- > For "Yes" or "No" questions, indicate your response with an "X" in the appropriate box.
- Three (3) copies of this form and of all attached documents must be received by 26 August 2011 at the Australia Awards Office at Gedung Wirausaha, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor. Jl. H.R. Rasuna Said Kav.C-5 Kuningan, Jakarta 12940.
- > DO NOT send this application to universities or other institutions in Australia.
- Australian Development Scholarships will be offered only to those whose course of study will contribute to the long-term development needs of Indonesia. A list of the development priorities is available under "Choosing a Course of Study" on page 3 of this application form.
- > AusAID's website includes a list of Australian Universities that may receive Development Scholarship awardees. Course of study information is available directly from the Universities' websites or the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS) website (see below).
- > You may provide two preferences for courses of study. You should consider two Australian universities rather than two courses at the same university, just in case you do not meet the admissibility requirements of the first Australian university.
- If your application is successful, you will be required to sign a Contract with the Commonwealth of Australia and be bound by conditions of the scholarship. A full list of the conditions is contained in this application form (page 27 - 28) and in the Handbook. Please note that AusAID reserves the right to change these conditions at any time.
- > Submitting this application does not guarantee that you will receive a Scholarship.
- > If you do not receive an invitation to an interview from the Australia Awards Office by mid-December, you should assume that your application has been unsuccessful.
- > Before applying, **all Public sector applicants** are required to have section **23** of the form completed by the relevant training or foreign cooperation bureau or their university rector (whichever is applicable).
- > Applicants in the **Open category** are **not** required to fill in section **23**. Their applications are to be submitted directly to the Australia Awards Office at the address above.
- > Applicants must not fill in section 25. This section is for use by the Ministry of State Secretariat of the Republic of Indonesia (SetNeg) and refers only to selected candidates.
- In cases where information supplied by candidates is found to be inaccurate or incorrect, an award offer may be revoked without notice.

#### The closing date is 26 August 2011 Applications should be submitted as early as possible

### **General Information Notes**

Australian Development Scholarships (ADS) provide opportunities for Indonesians to study in Australia at POSTGRADUATE level.

**Up to four hundred scholarships** are expected to be awarded in 2012 for commencement in 2012/2013. Candidates must undertake study in one of the four areas of development priority (see page 3).

ADS are offered in two main categories: 'Public Sector Category' and 'Open Category'.

**Public** sector applicants are employees from Government organizations, state universities and state owned enterprises. Their applications must be approved by training or foreign cooperation bureaus (BKLN) of their local or central agencies before being submitted to the ADS Program Office. Public sector candidates from government agencies outside Jakarta may apply directly to the ADS Program Office with the approval of their relevant Kakanwil or Kadinas. **Calon Pegawai Negeri Sipil are not eligible to apply.** 

**Open** Category applicants are from private organisations and universities and this category is also open to recent university graduates. No prior Government approval is required for people applying in the Open Category, and applications are to be submitted directly to the Australia Awards Office. They require, where relevant, the endorsement of the agency, institution or private university in which the applicant is working or studying. Applications are submitted directly to the Australia Awards Office.

#### Public servants (Pegawai Negeri) cannot apply in the Open category.

A third category (**Targeted**) exists for candidates who are identified by their organisations in consultation with the ADS Program. Candidates within this category must be identified by their home organization and must not apply to the ADS Program independently of their employer.

`Targeted Category' candidates are employed by organisations which are identified by the Government of Indonesia and Government of Australia (through AusAID) as being strategically aligned with the Development priorities of the Government of Indonesia.

Scholarships are for full-time study for a Masters or Doctorate degree from Australian tertiary institutions. The scholarship provides up to nine months full-time language and academic preparation in Indonesia. Students must achieve satisfactory results in this training to be able to continue their scholarships.

Applications from people with disabilities or from people in organisations working with the disabled are encouraged to apply.

Women and candidates in provinces within the geographic focus of AusAID's Country Strategy (see page 4) are also encouraged to apply.

### Eligibility

#### IN GENERAL CANDIDATES MUST:

- > be an Indonesian citizen and not have permanent residence in Australia or New Zealand
- > not be married or engaged to a person who is eligible to hold Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent resident status, at any stage of the application, selection, mobilisation processes or while on-scholarship in Australia
- > satisfy Australian Government requirements for international student entry to Australia (health, character etc)
- > not hold or have held a Government of Australia Scholarship to study outside Indonesia in the 24 months preceding the application – 24 months to be calculated from the date of arrival back in Indonesia to the Scholarship application closing date
- > be applying to commence a new course of study and not be seeking support through ADS for a course already commenced in Australia.
- > be able to take up the scholarship in the year for which it is offered
- > be able to satisfy all requirements of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC) for an AusAID student visa and
- > be able to satisfy the admission requirements of the Australian university at which the Scholarship is to be undertaken.

#### SPECIFICALLY, CANDIDATES MUST:

- > be applying for courses that fall within the areas of development priority (see "Choosing a Course of Study" below)
- > at the time of application, be no more than 42 years of age
- > have a Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 2.9 on a scale of maximum 4.0 (or 2.75 for applicants from geographic focus of AusAID Country Strategy only, see page ii) and an English language proficiency of at least 5.0 in IELTS (or 500 in paper-based TOEFL or 39 in Internet based TOEFL). The IELTS or TOEFL result must be current (a test result obtained in 2010 or 2011 will be considered current). No other English language test (including TOEFL prediction test) results will be accepted. Contact details of test centre must be provided for verification of TOEFL test results.
- > already hold an undergraduate degree, if applying for a Masters
- > already have a Masters, if applying for a Doctorate
- > apply for a degree at a level higher than their current highest qualification
- > if applying for a Doctorate, applicants will be restricted to staff of universities, higher education institutions, research institutes, key policy makers and targeted candidates in other agencies associated with AusAID activities
- > it is highly desirable for Doctorate applicants to have a letter of support from an Australian university for their proposed field of study
- > answer all relevant questions on the application form
- be willing and available to undertake full-time (Monday Friday 0800-1600) English for Academic Purposes (EAP) training in Indonesia prior to studying in Australia, if offered a scholarship.

## **Choosing a Course of Study**

Candidates are encouraged to apply to study courses which fall within AusAID's priority development areas (PDA). The PDA relate directly to the strategic objectives contained in the Australia and Indonesia Country Strategy. An indicative list of the areas for study follows.

Australia Indonesia Partnership Priority Development Areas (PDA)	Sustainable Growth and Economic Management	Democracy Justice and Good Governance	Investing in People	Safety and Peace
Description of PDA	Improving economic policy and management, reducing constraints to growth in infrastructure and productivity, and improving natural resource management, environmental governance and response to climate change.	Strengthening the capacity, accountability and responsiveness of legal, democratic and oversight institutions, and improving local government and public financial management.	Better quality, access and governance in education, and better health access and systems	Improving responses to humanitarian needs, emergencies and vulnerability to disasters, and improving capacity to ensure transport security and to counter threats from transnational crime.
Australia Indonesia Partnership Priority Fields of Study	<ul> <li>Natural Resource Management</li> <li>Agriculture</li> <li>Aquaculture/fisheries</li> <li>Forestry</li> <li>Climate Change</li> <li>Economics</li> <li>Infrastructure Planning</li> <li>Water and Sanitation</li> <li>Rural Growth</li> <li>Small and medium enterprise development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Law, legal and judicial systems</li> <li>Political Science and Government</li> <li>Public administration</li> <li>Public expenditure management</li> <li>Public Sector Reform</li> <li>Environmental Law</li> <li>Anti-corruption</li> <li>Decentralisation</li> <li>Monitoring &amp; Evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Communicable Disease Prevention</li> <li>Health Management</li> <li>Health Services</li> <li>Maternal and Child Health</li> <li>Women and Gender Studies</li> <li>Disability Services</li> <li>Public Health</li> <li>Education and Training</li> <li>Education Management</li> <li>Human Resource Development</li> <li>Childhood Special Education</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Conflict Resolution</li> <li>Disaster Prevention and Management</li> <li>Transport Safety</li> <li>Transnational Crime Prevention</li> <li>Development Studies</li> <li>International Studies</li> </ul>

NB: If your study area is not listed here, you may still apply for a field of study related to the work of AusAID in Indonesia. For more information see the Australia Indonesia Partnership Country Strategy at: http://www.indo.ausaid.gov.au/docs/aipstrategyinfo.html

Candidates considering study for particular professions should note that ADS does not include the practical training period required for professional registration, e.g. medical internships, legal articles etc. Successful awardees are expected to complete such training in their own country.

### **Selection Process**

All applicants are considered by an independent Joint Selection Committee comprised of Australian and Indonesian academics. Only those shortlisted will be interviewed. The interview will assess candidates' academic ability, clarity of study goals, cultural adaptability. A critical consideration will be how well the ADS applicant is able to explain the relevance of their proposed study area to the development of Indonesia. The interview will be accompanied by an IELTS test of English language proficiency.

Final selection is objective and based on the principles of merit and equity. The final list of awardees is subject to scrutiny and endorsement by AusAID and Government of Indonesia - State Secretariat.

#### **SELECTION QUOTAS:**

In the 2011/2012 ADS cycle, up to four hundred (400) ADS scholarships are available for commencement in 2012/2013. The scholarships are allocated as follows:

- > 2/3 of all awards will be offered in the `Public Sector' category
- > **1/3** of all awards will be offered in the `**Open'** category
- > up to 50 percent of awards will be offered in the Targeted Sector Category
- up to 30 percent of all scholarships will be awarded in line with geographic focus of the Country Program Strategy.
   (The geographic focus will include *East Nusa Tenggara, West Nusa Tenggara, Papua, West Papua, and Aceh*)
- 90 percent of awards at Masters level (360) and 10 percent at Doctorate (PhD) level (40). (NB doctoral level study is only open to staff of universities, higher education institutions, research institute, key policy makers and targeted candidates in other organizations associated with AusAID activities. Up to eight (8) PhD awards will be made available to eligible candidates within the Targeted Category
- > an equal number of awards will be offered to men and women.

#### NOTIFICATION OF THE SELECTION RESULT

All applicants will be advised whether or not they have been selected for an interview. All interviewed applicants will be notified whether or not they have been awarded an ADS. The result is final and no correspondence will be entered into. Where appropriate, notification will include details of pre-departure training (English, academic skills, cultural preparation). This training is compulsory and full-time (see page 6 for step by step of ADS Application Process).

### **Requirements for Scholarship Recipients**

#### Prior to travelling to Australia, scholarship recipients must:

- > meet the minimum English language requirement of their chosen Australian university (usually IELTS of 6.5 with no band less than 6.0)
- > at the completion of EAP training, candidates must achieve a minimum score of IELTS 6.0 for ADS office to commence the application process for placement in a university program in Australia
- > receive a letter of acceptance from an Australian university
- > meet Australian immigration requirements for a student visa
- > receive Government of Indonesia endorsement
- > be medically fit to commence studies in Australia.

#### In Australia, scholarship recipients must:

- > abide by the conditions of the scholarship and the rules of Australian tertiary institutions
- > abide by the rules and regulations governing a student visa
- > act in a way that will not bring disrepute to AusAID, or to any Australian university or to Indonesia
- > return to Indonesia for a period of two years at the completion of their study/research program in Australia. If during the two years exclusion period the scholarship recipients return to Australia, a debt to the Commonwealth may be activated OR any time spent in Australia may be added to the two year exclusion period. Calculation of the two years exclusion period starts when the scholarships recipients arrive Indonesia, not the visa expire date.

### What do Australian Development Scholarships cover?

- Pre-Course English provision of English for Academic Purposes training prior to commencement of studies in Australia (including an in-Indonesia stipend)
- > Tuition Fees payment of full academic fees and any other fees compulsory for international students.
- Introductory Academic Program (IAP) the provision of a 4-6 week Introductory Academic Program prior to the commencement of studies.
- > Editorial/tutorial assistance provided where it is deemed essential to assist awardees to pass course subjects.
- > Travel payment of an economy airfare from the principal international airports in Indonesia (Jakarta or Denpasar) to the major airport nearest the Australian university and return travel to Indonesia. A separate reunion airfare will be available to the student after the successful completion of the first year of study; subsequent reunion airfare entitlements will be available on an annual basis for the duration of the ADS, except for the final year of the ADS.
- > Overseas fieldwork holders of a scholarship where research comprises at least 50 percent of the program may receive a return economy class airfare to Indonesia to undertake essential fieldwork.
- Contribution to living expenses (in Australia Stipend) payment of a fortnightly contribution to living expenses (CLE).
- > Overseas Student Health cover (OSHC) awardee only (awardees are required to maintain OSHC for any accompanying family in order to satisfy visa requirements).
- > Provision of an AusAID Student Visa and Student Dependant visa.

### **Family Entry**

Awardees can bring their immediate families to Australia at their own cost, if their families meet AusAID and immigration requirements. Families are normally permitted to join eight (8) weeks after the awardee's arrival.

### **Useful websites**

Australia Awards: http://australiaawards.gov.au/

Australia Awards - Development Scholarships: http://www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar

Australian Development Scholarship (ADS) Indonesia: http://www.adsindonesia.or.id

Visas - Department of Immigration and Citizenship: http://www.immi.gov.au

Studying in Australia: http://www.studyinaustralia.gov.au

Australian Educational Institutions and courses - the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS): http://cricos.deewr.gov.au

IELTS: http://www.ielts.org.au

TOEFL: http://www.ets.org/toefl