



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
Cordillera Administrative Region

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REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

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**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2024 AUSTRALIAN
AWARDS SCHOLARSHIPS**

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Other Concerned
All Divisions

1. In cognizant to Republic Act No. 4670, 10533 and 9155, corollary to Civil Service Memorandum Circular No. 3, s. 2012, DepEd Order No. 11, s. 2019 and 001, s. 2020, with the mandate to implement programs for Professional Development (PD), DepEd CAR through the National Educators Academy of the Philippines in the Region (NEAPR) calls for the **Submission of Nominations for the 2024 Australian Awards Scholarships**.

2. Nominees shall be screened in accordance with the guidelines set in Regional Memorandum No. 18, s. 2021, with the specific requirements set by the Learning Service Provider (LSP) in Enclosure 1.

3. Schools Division Offices with qualified nominees shall **submit one (1) nominee** before **March 31, 2023**, with the following details for RO-Professional Development Committee evaluation, viz:

- a. Subject line: 2024 Australian Awards Scholarships (SDO)
- b. Submitted via e-mail address: car.neapr@deped.gov.ph
- c. Attachments: One (1) zipped file containing the following initial documentary requirements:
 - i. Personal Data Sheet; and
 - ii. Indorsement from the Schools Division Superintendent.

4. Selected scholars for further nomination to the Central Office from the submitted nominees shall be notified by this Office to accomplish additional documentary requirements as required by the LSP.

5. For inquiries and clarifications, please contact NEAPR through Chief Education Supervisor, NEAP-CAR OIC Jennifer Ande at 09190073814.

6. Immediate and widest dissemination of and strict compliance with this memorandum is directed.

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Enclosure 1. Requirements from the Learning Service Provider



Australia Awards

Philippines

Applying for an Australia Awards scholarship

Australia Awards scholarships in the Philippines

Australia's international development assistance in the Philippines helps promote prosperity, reduce poverty, and enhance political stability.

Australia Awards scholarships are prestigious international awards offered by the Australian Government to the next generation of global leaders for development. Through study and research, recipients develop the skills and knowledge to drive change and help build enduring people-to-people links with Australia.

Applicants are assessed on their professional and personal qualities, academic competence and, most importantly, their potential to impact on development challenges in the Philippines.

Applications are strongly encouraged from women, people with disability and other marginalised groups.

Priority fields of study

The priority areas of study for the Philippines are:

- Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Management (including Maritime, Mining, and Energy)
- Digital Economy and Cyber Security
- Education
- Foreign Relations
- Governance and Public Policy (including Civil Society, Media, and Foreign Relations)
- Health (including Public Health and Mental Health)
- Humanitarian, Disaster Risk, and Climate Change Management
- Infrastructure and Smart Cities
- Law and Justice
- Peace and Development
- Trade and Economics

The governments of Australia and the Philippines regularly review these areas of study together and adjust the emphasis of the program. Detailed information on priority areas of study can be found at: australiaawardsphilippines.org.

Level of study

Australia Awards scholarships provide citizens of the Philippines with the opportunity to obtain a qualification at an Australian tertiary institution.

Awards will be offered for commencement in January 2024 within the following allocations:

- **Master's**
 - Open category – Individuals who intend to pursue studies in the identified priority areas of study
 - Targeted category – Applicants nominated by partner Philippine government agencies whose respective mandates support the mutual priorities of Australia and the Philippines and the Philippine Development Plan

- **Doctoral:**¹ Applicants pursue studies in priority areas aligned with ongoing Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research (ACIAR)–Philippine Council for Agriculture, Aquatic and Natural Resources Research and Development (PCAARD) projects

Australia Awards benefits

Australia Awards scholarships are offered for the minimum period necessary for the individual to complete the academic program specified by the Australian education institution, including any preparatory training.

Scholarship recipients will receive the following:

- return air travel,
- a one-off establishment allowance on arrival,
- full tuition fees,
- contribution to living expenses,
- introductory academic program,
- overseas student health cover for the duration of the scholarship,
- supplementary academic support,
- fieldwork allowance for research students and masters by coursework which has a compulsory fieldwork component, and
- disability support (as needed).

Eligibility criteria

Australia Awards applicants must meet all eligibility requirements detailed in the *Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook*, available at: dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx and australiaawardsphilippines.org/forms/prequal.

Country-specific conditions

In addition to the eligibility requirements, candidates from the Philippines must also meet the following conditions:

- resident of the Philippines for at least 12 months,
- has at least two years' cumulative work experience,
- not hold another scholarship,
- master's degree holder (for doctoral applicants), and
- **John Allwright Fellowship – Philippines requirements** (for doctoral applicants).

Application dates

For study commencing in Australia in 2024:

Opening date: 1 February 2023

Closing date: 1 May 2023 (11:59PM AEST)

Applications and/or supporting documents received after the closing date will not be considered.

The application process

Online applications

All applications must be lodged online at australiaawardsphilippines.org.

Supporting documents

Applicants must submit all of the relevant supporting documents listed in the *Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook*.

Applicants must also provide the following documents to meet the specific requirements for the Philippines:

- Re-entry Action Plan (REAP): Outlines a project, which applies the knowledge and skills gained from the applicant's Australian education and training towards Philippine development;
- Affidavit of citizenship and residency;
- Certification of Grade Point Average/General Weighted Average; and

¹ **John Allwright Fellowship - Philippines** – This program is jointly undertaken between the **Philippines Department of Science and Technology (PCAARD and Science Education Institute)** and **ACIAR** with the support of **Australia Awards**.

- Letter from the head of agency endorsing the scholarship application, and the minutes of meeting of the scholarship committee endorsing the nominees (for targeted category applicants only).

The selection process

- Applications will be shortlisted after eligibility checking.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
- The selection process includes an interview. Applicants will be assessed against the following criteria:
 - academic competence;
 - potential outcome, specifically the contribution to development outcomes in the Philippines through the REAP; and
 - professional and personal leadership attributes including relevant work experience.
- Successful candidates will be notified no later than July 2023.
- Awardee travel will be subject to meeting the requirements imposed by the Australian Government, as determined by the Department of Education, Skills and Employment, and must meet the requirements imposed by State and Territory governments.

Preparatory training

Successful applicants will be required to attend:

- course counselling,
- pre-departure briefing,
- university's Introductory Academic Program, and
- other required preparatory study on arrival in Australia.

Further information

Information about the Australia Awards—Philippines can be found at australiaawardsphilippines.org.

More general information about the Australia Awards, Australia's aid program, and studying in Australia can be found at the following links:

- dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/australia-awards/pages/australia-awards-scholarships
- studyinaustralia.gov.au

Information about visas and Australia Awards scholarship entitlements and conditions can be found in the Scholarships Policy Handbook: dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx

Contact details

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HUMAN RESOURCE AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



MEMORANDUM
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**TO : Minister of Basic, Higher, and Technical Education, BARMM
Bureau and Service Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Public and Private Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All Others Concerned**

FROM : GLORIA JUMAMIL-MERCADO
G. Mercado
Undersecretary for Human Resource and Organizational Development

**SUBJECT : Announcement of Application for 2024 Australian Awards
Scholarships**

DATE : March 10, 2023

The Australian Government, through the Australian Awards Philippines, announces the opening of applications for the 2024 Australian Awards Scholarships for postgraduate studies.

Australian Awards are prestigious, and transformational scholarships offered to emerging leaders from the Indo-Pacific region, including the Philippines, for a study in Australia. Australia Awards scholars return home equipped to contribute to their nations' development, prosperity, and resilience.

Priority fields of study for the Philippines are:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Management (including Maritime, Mining, and Energy) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Humanitarian, Disaster Risk, and Climate Change Management Infrastructure and Smart Cities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital Economy and Cyber Security 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Law and Justice
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peace and Development
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foreign relations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trade and Economics
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government and Public Policy (including Civil Society, Media, and Foreign Relations) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health (including Public Health and Mental Health)

All applicants must meet the eligibility requirements detailed in the Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook, available at: dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/Pages/Australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx and autraliaawardsphilippines.org/forms/prequal.



[DM-OUHROD-2023-0373] Announcement of Application for 2024 Australian Awards Scholarships

Scholarship Secretariat (DepEd) <scholarships@deped.gov.ph>

Fri, Mar 17, 2023 at 4:57 PM

To: DepEd Ilocos Region <region1@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd II Cagayan Valley Region <region2@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd III Central Luzon <region3@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd IVA CALABARZON <region4a@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd V Bicol Region <region5@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd VI Western Visayas <region6@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd VII Central Visayas <region7@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd VIII Eastern Visayas <region8@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd IX Zamboanga Peninsula <region9@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd X Northern Mindanao <region10@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd XI Davao Region <region11@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd XII Soccsksargen <region12@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd Region XIII- CARAGA <caraga@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd Cordillera Administrative Region <car@deped.gov.ph>, DepEd NCR <ncr@deped.gov.ph>, mimaropa region <mimaropa.region@deped.gov.ph>

Good day!

Greetings from the Scholarship Management Team,

Attached is the Announcement of the Application for the 2024 Australian Awards Scholarships.

For reference here are the priority fields of study for the Philippines:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture, Aquatic, and Natural Resources Management (including Maritime, Mining, and Energy) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Humanitarian, Disaster Risk, and Climate Change Management • Infrastructure and Smart Cities
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Applications are now open and will be accepted until 1 May 2023 at australiaawardsphilippines.org.

For questions, clarifications, and more information you may contact Mr. Rollie dela Cruz, Portfolio Manager (Scholarships and Innovation), and may be reached at rollie.delacruz@dfat.gov.au or at +63 917 831 9862.

Immediate dissemination and appropriate action of this memorandum are desired.

Sincerely,

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National Educators Academy of the Philippines

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