

Australia Awards

## Opportunities for all Equity Pathways to an Australia Award Scholarship

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

Applications are strongly encouraged from women, people with disability, people living and working outside of Phnom Penh, indigenous and ethnic minorities and other marginalized groups. A support scheme is available to assist equal participation for these applicants.



The Australian aid program recognises that sustainable development is achieved through active participation by all members of a community. Therefore, inclusive approaches towards women, people with disability, people marginalized through geographical distance, indigenous and ethnic minorities and other marginalised groups, are viewed as an integral part of universal human rights and an important development goal.

Scholarships are long-term, fully funded awards to obtain a master's by coursework or research and PhDs from Australian universities.

## **Equity Pathways Program**

Australia Awards Cambodia introduced the Equity Pathways Program (EPP) to progress the equity, equality and social inclusion goals of the Australian aid program and to improve social inclusion outcomes in relation to Australia Awards Scholarships. The EPP focusses support to Equity Target Groups - sub-groups in Cambodian society who have typically experienced the effects of social, educational and structural barriers and disadvantages that limit their ability to compete for and win an award.

## Eligibility for support under the Equity Pathways Program

Eligible people may apply for support for English language training/ testing (in Phnom Penh or Siem Reap), a contribution towards transportation and/or accommodation to attend English language training/testing and selection interviews (provincial based only), or workplace internships (people with disability only). To be eligible, applicants must fall into one of the following categories:

- Women
- · People with disability
- · People living and working in the provinces
- Indigenous and Ethinic minorities
- Other marginalized groups

To qualify for support applicants must be assessed as being eligible and qualified to apply for, or have the potential to become eligible to apply for, an Australia Award Scholarship. Therefore, applicants must:

- Be a citizen of Cambodia (only)
- Be a resident of Cambodia for a period of 24 months prior to application
- Possess a bachelor's degree considered equivalent to an Australian bachelor's degree
- Have at least 24 months full-time (or part-time equivalent) work experience (this doesn't apply to applicants for a workplace internship)
- Be proposing to apply for an Australia Award Scholarship in the future
- Be competent at an intermediate level in English (if applying for English language training support). English Language Test will be provided

Requests for support are considered and tailored on a case by case basis.

## For further information or to request an application form, visit the Australia Awards Cambodia website www.australiaawardscambodia.org or contact:

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