

INFORMATION SESSION

New Colombo Plan Scholarship 2022



Acknowledgement of Country

“We acknowledge and celebrate the First Australians on whose lands the Australian National University operates, and pay our respect to the elders of the Ngambri and Ngunnawal people, past, present, and emergent.”



COVID-19 Travel Restrictions



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With the ongoing concerns with the COVID-19 pandemic, travel restrictions are currently in place as well as a temporary suspension of travel approvals by ANU. We are opening applications for Semester 1, 2022, however please be aware participation in any overseas study programs is still subject to approval.



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NCP Overview

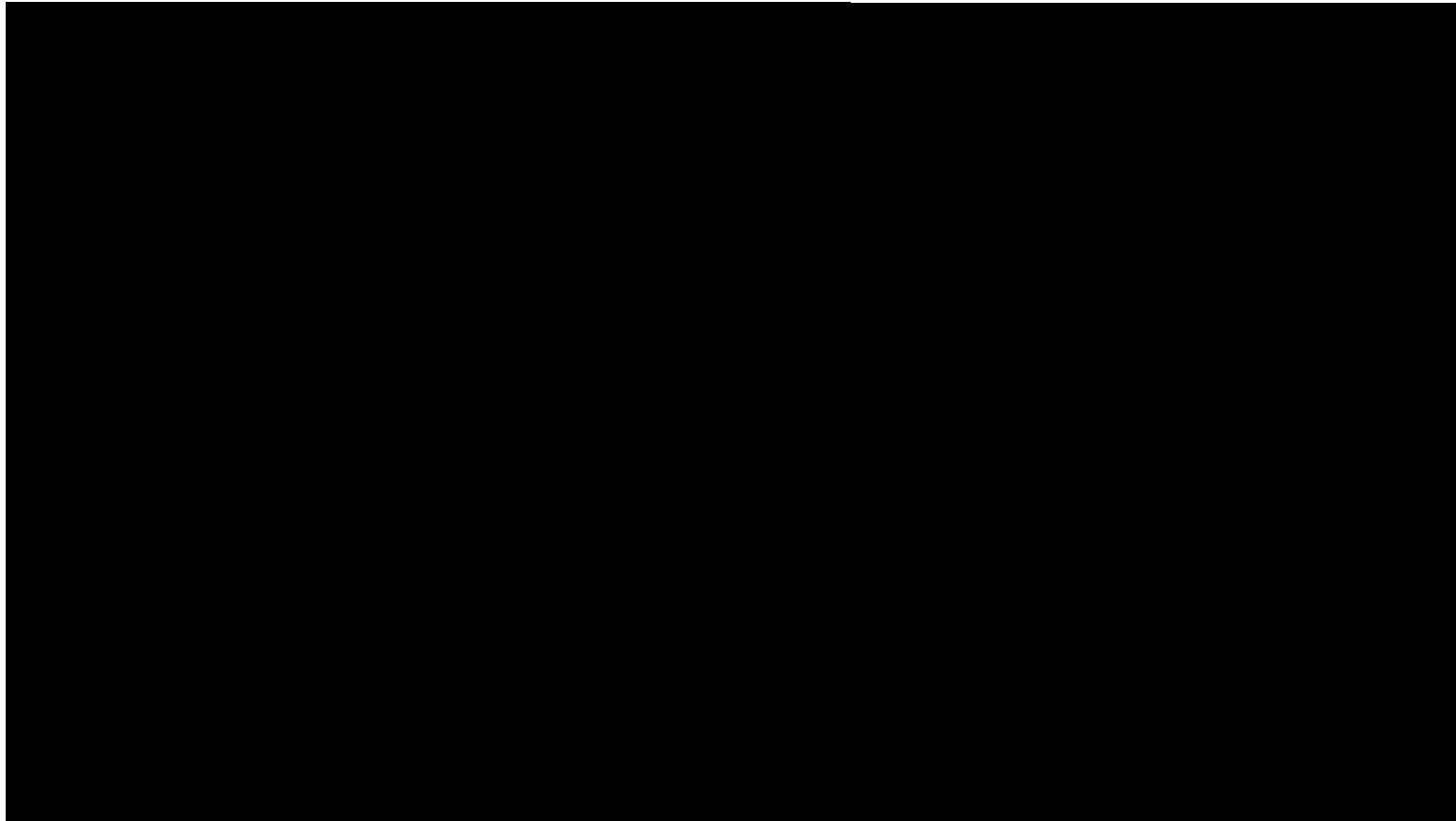


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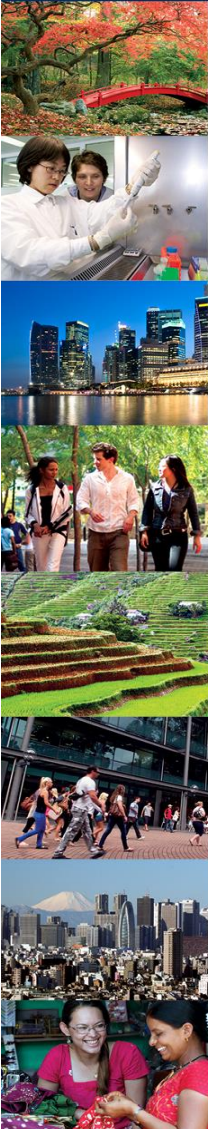
NEW COLOMBO PLAN

Connect to Australia's future - study in the region



<https://www.anu.edu.au/students/careers-opportunities/global-programs/funding-information/new-colombo-plan-scholarship>





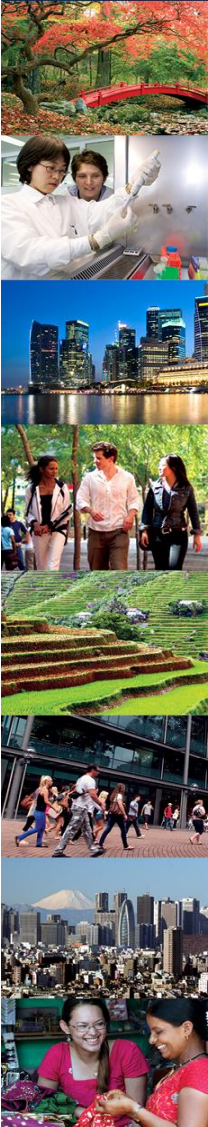
What is the New Colombo Plan?

“a signature initiative of the Australian Government which aims to lift knowledge of the Indo Pacific in Australia by supporting Australian undergraduates to study and undertake internships in the region”

encourages a two-way flow of students between Australia and the rest of our region, complementing the thousands of students from the region coming to Australia to study each year.

is intended to be transformational, deepening Australia's relationships in the region, both at the individual level and through expanding university, business and other links.





Who? What? Where?

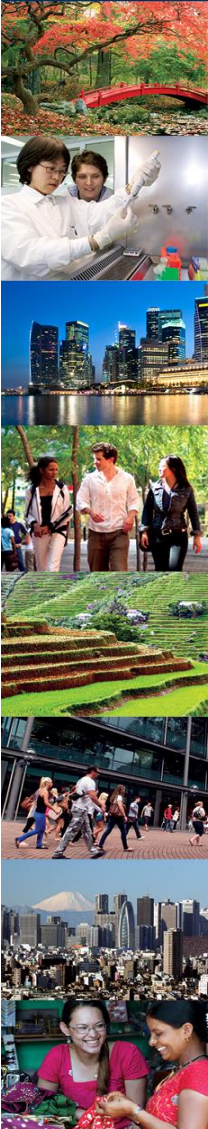
Australian Undergraduates

Study, Language Training, Internships & Mentorships

40 host locations across the Indo-Pacific Region

Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, New Caledonia, Niue, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, South Korea, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Vietnam





The Scholarships Program

Provides around 125 Scholarships annually to a diverse range of Australian undergraduates studying a range of disciplines in up to 40 Indo-Pacific locations.

A prestigious, transformative program targeting future leaders

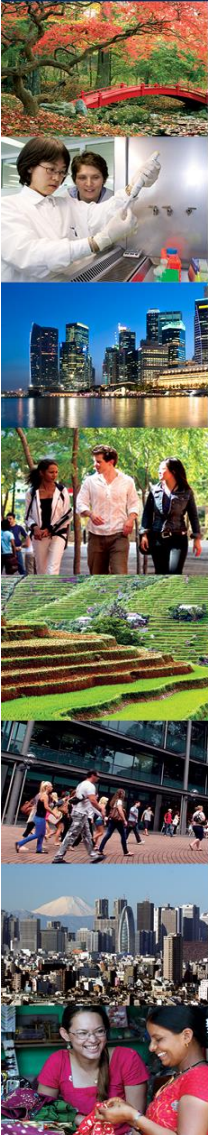
Provides funding to Australian undergraduates for study in the Indo Pacific region of up to one year, plus internships or mentorships

Opportunity to develop skills, form networks and build connections

Scholarship program must be eligible for credit towards student's undergraduate degree

Location and Indigenous Fellowships for the highest ranked scholars





The Alumni Program

Supports alumni to maintain a connection to each other, the program and the Indo-Pacific as they progress in their lives and careers

Access to exclusive networking events, professional development and mentoring opportunities

A growing online alumni network of future leaders

Connecting businesses to talented youth with first-hand experience in the Indo-Pacific region

An active Alumni Ambassadors Program



NCP Scholarship Snapshot

An NCP Scholarship can provide each recipient with the following:

- Travel allowance up to \$2,500
- Establishment allowance up to \$2,500
- Monthly stipend up to \$2,500 per month
- Tuition fees up to \$20,000 maximum
- Support for language training up to \$1,500
- Health and travel insurance for the duration of the scholar's program.
- A dedicated case manager for the duration of the scholar's program, who provides services including pre-departure briefings, advice on health and travel insurance, advice and assistance relating to accommodation, and payment of allowances.
- NCP Fellows additional \$1,000 for study materials.
- NCP scholarship recipients will also have the opportunity to participate in an awards ceremony.
- In total, students may get up to AUD \$67,000 for credit-bearing studies overseas and take part in internships, that span over a semester or up to 19 months (*please note the sum varies for each selected NCP scholar, depending on their NCP proposal*).

(please refer to the DFAT website and guidelines for further details)

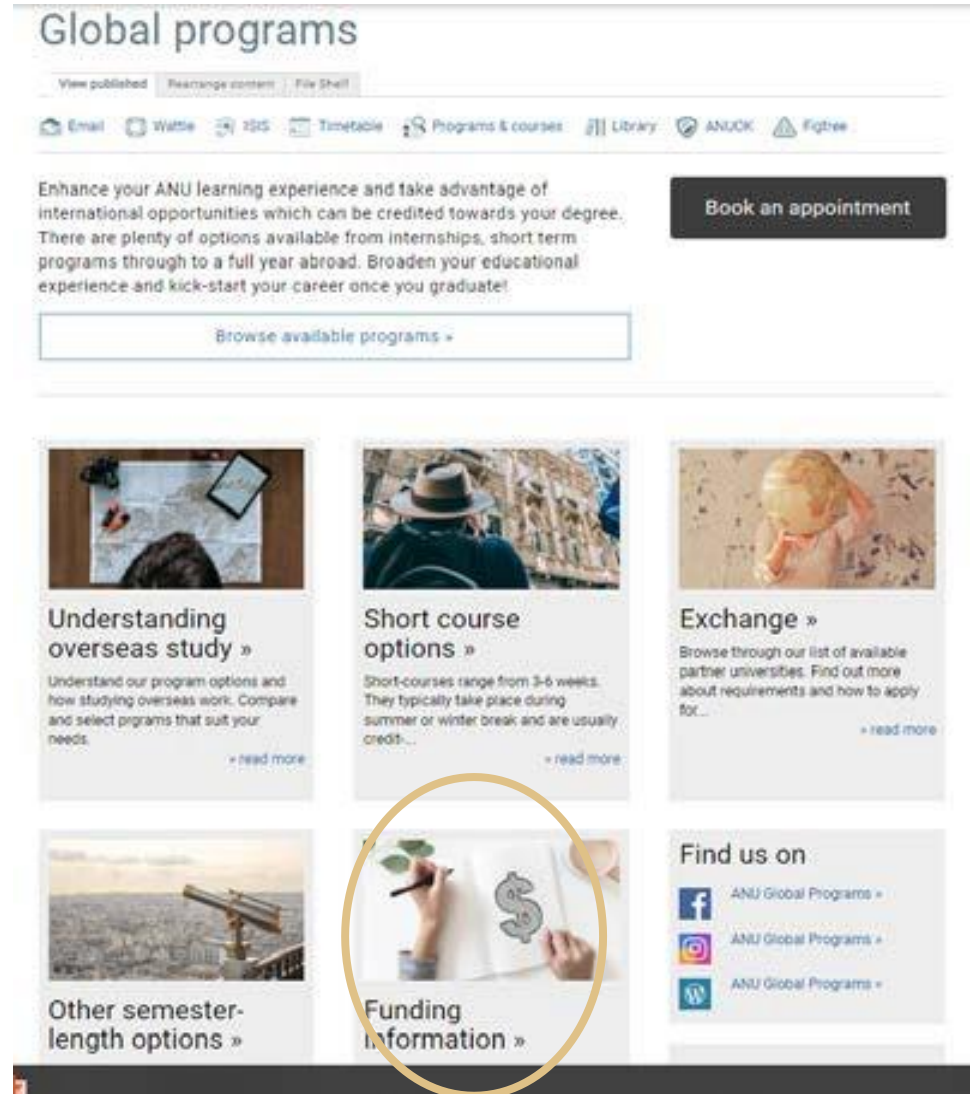


How to Apply

1 Check your eligibility

2 ANU selection process

3 DFAT selection process



The screenshot shows the ANU Global Programs website. At the top, there's a navigation bar with links like 'View published', 'Re arrange content', and 'File Shell'. Below this, a secondary navigation bar includes icons for 'Email', 'Wattle', 'ISIS', 'Timetable', 'Programs & courses', 'Library', 'ANUCC', and 'Figtree'. The main content area features a heading 'Global programs' followed by a paragraph: 'Enhance your ANU learning experience and take advantage of international opportunities which can be credited towards your degree. There are plenty of options available from internships, short term programs through to a full year abroad. Broaden your educational experience and kick-start your career once you graduate!'. To the right of this text is a 'Book an appointment' button. Below the text is a 'Browse available programs »' button. Further down, there are six program categories, each with a representative image and a '» read more' link: 'Understanding overseas study »', 'Short course options »', 'Exchange »', 'Other semester-length options »', 'Funding information »', and 'Find us on' (which includes social media links for Facebook, Instagram, and WordPress).



1 Check your eligibility

For full eligibility, please refer to the DFAT NCP Scholarship Guidelines: <https://www.dfat.gov.au/people-to-people/new-colombo-plan/scholarship-program/scholarship-program>

NB: eligibility requirements are subject to change upon release of the 2022 NCP Scholarship Guidelines

To be eligible for the NCP Scholarship, and to remain eligible during the Scholarship Program if a Scholarship is awarded, Applicants must (please see NCP Scholarship guidelines Section 4.2):

- a) have been nominated for the NCP Scholarship Program by their Home University (ANU).
- b) be an Australian citizen.
- c) not be a current citizen or permanent resident of their proposed Primary Location or any Secondary Location.
- d) be an undergraduate student, be enrolled in and undertaking, until completion of all Study Components, at least one Bachelor Degree or Bachelor Honours Degree unit at an on-shore campus of an Australian University.
- e) be between 18 and 30 years of age (inclusive) for non-indigenous applicants or between 18 and 35 years of age (inclusive) for Indigenous applicants on 1 January 2022.
- f) have achieved a minimum 70 per cent graded average or equivalent for their undergraduate course at the time of Application, as determined by the nominating Home University.
- g) not be a previous recipient of a Scholarship under the NCP Scholarship Program, and
- h) not be an employee of the branch of DFAT that administers the NCP.

Successful Applicants are not permitted to commence another Australian Government funded off-shore scholarship or mobility grant (including under a NCP Mobility Program grant) while undertaking their NCP Scholarship Program.



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Make sure to talk to your ANU Academic College to ensure that you have room in your degree for learning abroad.



ROOM AVAILABLE IN DEGREE (RAID)

Students must have a minimum of 24 ANU units available in their ANU degree to participate in exchange. Complete your RAID request in the Global Program System. Your academic college(s) will complete the assessment on the Global Program System.

For studies that are one year long - 48 units required as available, as assessed by your academic college(s).



48 48 UNITS COMPLETED

You must have completed 48 ANU units before the exchange starts. You can still apply if you have not completed 48 ANU units, as long as you complete 48 ANU units by the time you go on exchange.



2 ANU Selection Process

Students must apply to ANU to be considered for nomination to DFAT for the 2022 [New Colombo Plan Scholarship](#).

- a) Please complete the [ANU online NCP Scholarship application](#) on the Global Program System. NCP applications for the 2022 round will be open between **11 May until 11 June 2021**.
- b) Applicants must also [submit an exchange application](#) through the ANU Global Programs System for Semester 1 or Semester 2, 2022 or consider [independent learning abroad studies](#) in 2022 at the same time as completing an NCP scholarship application. Applicants will need to seek academic college approval through the online RAID (Room Available in Degree) assessment when you complete the online application, for your proposed exchange or learning abroad proposal. All studies proposed must be credit-bearing studies.
- c) Applications will be assessed and shortlisted by a panel of ANU staff. Eligible candidates will be shortlisted and are required to attend an interview with ANU.



3 DFAT Selection Process

- a) The top 10 ANU candidates will be recommended to the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) for consideration and you will receive further application guidance. ANU Global Programs will liaise with nominated candidates about how to best frame their applications and prepare for an interview.
- b) The final selection process will be administered by DFAT, and nominated applicants will be invited to attend a face-to-face interview with a panel during **September and October 2021**.
- c) All successful and unsuccessful applicants will be notified of the outcome of the DFAT selection process in **November 2021**.



Application Tips

- ✓ Understanding yourself
- ✓ General tips for a strong application
- ✓ How to structure responses in the application – STAR explained
- ✓ ANU Careers Toolkit



Preparation is essential

Understand yourself

Strengths, skills, knowledge, values, experiences – what is it that you have to offer, why do you want this scholarship?

Research the program and its objectives

Try to put yourself in the shoes of the NCP selection panel; what skills/qualities/knowledge are sought, what demonstrates your suitability best to them, what would make a great NCP scholar?

Understanding the application process

What do you need to supply or complete? Word count, meeting the objectives, lessons learnt from previous rounds.



General tips for a strong application

1) Clear vision/passion –your own ‘narrative’

- Weave this through the application
- Show your understanding of the NCP goals throughout

2) Clear and concrete examples

- Fewer examples that relate to your ‘common thread’ most effective
- Use shortened version of STAR method in examples
- Explain how each example has assisted you to grow as a person and/or achieve your goals



General tips for a strong application

3) Demonstrate what can you contribute to the NCP as a national policy

- Why are you worth investing in? *Not just what you can get out of NCP.*

4) Use key NCP terminology from website (but don't overdo it!)

- 'people to people links translating to bilateral ties'
- 'a generation of culturally and linguistically fluent young leaders'

5) Demonstrate why you NEED the scholarship



Answering application criterion

#1: Academic excellence at the tertiary level

#2: Leadership and engagement in the community

#3: Adaptability and resilience

#4: Ability to contribute to NCP strategic objectives and outcomes

- Consider a range of examples you could use for each criterion
- Select and prioritise the most relevant examples
- Describe examples fully – STAR approach

Situation

Task

Action

Result

Resource: [DFAT Advice to Applicants 2021](#)



ANU Careers

Toolkit: <https://www.anu.edu.au/students/careers-opportunities/careers/career-resources/careers-toolkit>

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