

## **To be attached to university enrolment application by ALA Scholarship applicants**

**Dear Admissions Officer**

We understand that the candidate who has attached this letter to their application for admission to your institution also intends to apply for an Australian Leadership Award (ALA) Scholarship. To expedite processing of their case, please advise the Student Contact Officer for AusAID students at your institution of this application.

The ALA Scholarships program is a component of the Australian Government *Australian Scholarships* initiative, designed to enable current and future leaders in the Asia-Pacific region to undertake Masters or Doctorate degrees in Australia. Managed by AusAID as part of Australia's overseas aid program, ALA Scholarships are open only to citizens of countries in the Asia-Pacific region where Australia has an active aid program.

To be eligible to apply for an ALA Scholarship, applicants must submit with their application to AusAID a *letter from an Australian Higher Education Institution* confirming an unconditional offer of admission to a full-time Masters or doctoral course at an Australian campus, commencing in 2009. Study by distance or external mode is not allowed.

As the application process will be primarily an internet online application, it would be appreciated if the applicant could receive your institution's letter of offer in PDF format (or similar) and/or hard copy in time to meet the necessary timelines.

The closing date for the current round of ALA Scholarship applications is **30 June 2008**.

It is a further eligibility requirement of ALA Scholarships that applicants have an English language proficiency of at least IELTS 6.5 with no sub score less than 6 or equivalent. We ask that you ensure that the applicant has met this requirement prior to making an unconditional letter of offer. ALAS do not provide for pre-course English study in Australia.

The cost of any application fees charged by institutions must be borne by the applicant. Further information on the ALA application process can be found on <http://www.ausaid.gov.au/scholar>

Thank you for your assistance in this process.

Yours sincerely

Director  
Scholarships  
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