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AUSTRALIAN DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

## Mongolia

### AUSTRALIAN DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIPS Information for Intake Commencing 2012

2010 intake 28 ADS scholarships are available in Mongolia.

### Country Strategy

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Since 1993, AusAID has provided scholarships in Mongolia as its primary mode of development assistance. Currently the Australian Development Scholarships (ADS) are delivered through the Mongolia Australian Scholarships Program (MASP).

The 28 scholarships available for the 2012 intake will be advertised in late July 2010 in national newspapers and on the websites of the Mongolian Development Gateway, the Mongolian Federation of Employers, and the Mongolian National Chamber Commerce and Industry.

MASP also provides support for the administration of Australian Leadership Awards Scholarships (ALAS) for Mongolia under the banner of Australian Scholarships.

### Priority Ministries and Sectors

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The purpose of the Mongolia Australian Scholarships Program is to contribute to enhanced capacity in priority Mongolian Government Agencies and priority economic sectors through expanded access to higher education and training and relevant professional linkages in Australia.

The scholarships advertised in July 2010 for the 2012 intake will be available under two targeted categories. Category 1 is open to civil servant applicants from the target ministries listed below and their associated agencies. Category 2 is restricted to targeted fields of study but open to applicants from the public and private sectors, as well as non-government organisations

One of its Strategic Objectives will be to help address the human resource needs of targeted Mongolian Government Agencies and priority economic sectors through increasing the number of graduates with high level technical and professional Australian qualifications.

### *Category 1 – Targeted Institutions/Offices*

- Cabinet Secretariat of Government of Mongolia (CabSec)
- Prime Minister of Mongolia
- First Deputy Premier of Mongolia
- Deputy Premier of Mongolia
- Ministry of Finance (MOF)
- Ministry of Justice and Internal Affairs (MOJIA)
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT)
- Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy (MMRE)
- Ministry of Nature, Environment and Tourism(MONET)

### Type, Level and Number of Scholarships

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All Australian Development Scholarships available in Mongolia are Masters' Degrees.

In April 2007 the then-Minister for Foreign Affairs announced a doubling of ADS for Mongolians from fourteen (14) to twenty eight (28) by 2010. As of the



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- Ministry of Roads, Transportation, Construction and Urban Development (MORTCUD)
- Ministry of Defence (MOD)
- Ministry of Education, Culture and Science (MECS)
- Ministry of Social Welfare and Labour (MOSWL)
- Ministry of Minerals and Energy (MOME)
- Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Light Industry (MOFALI)
- Ministry of Health (MOH)
- Government Service Council (GSC)
- at the time of application be a full-time employee for at least a continuous 2 year period of work experience with the current employer;
- be holding a bachelor degree qualification from an academic institution recognised by Australian universities;
- be willing to undertake a medical and meet Australian visa requirements;
- be willing to return to work for their respective agencies / organisations for a period of not less than 2 years following the completion of studies;
- have the approval of their respective employers;
- provide an expression of interest (the prescribed application form) including an outline of a proposed study action plan and an assessment of fundamental IT literacy skills in word processing and use of the Internet as well as an academic transcript from a recognised Mongolian tertiary institution; and
- have a minimum level of English equivalent to an average IELTS level of 5.0 or above.

### *Category 2 – Targeted Fields of Study*

- Mining Engineering
- Construction Engineering
- Mining, Energy and Natural Resources Law
- Resource Economics
- Renewable Energy
- Coal Technology
- Biotechnology
- Environment studies relating to resource development
- Agricultural Economics and/or Marketing
- Infectious Plant Diseases
- Pasture Management
- Actuarial Studies
- Non-bank Financial Regulation
- Epidemiology and Public Health
- Methodologies for teaching English as Foreign Language

English language training in Mongolia will be available to eligible applicants to improve their English language skills to meet the requirement of Australian universities of 6.5 IELTS). **But applicants must be available, from November 2010, for 6 months of part-time study followed by a three-month period of full time intensive study.**

### Eligibility Criteria

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To be *eligible* the applicant must:



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### The Application Process

Scholarship nominations for study in 2011 must be submitted in the format of the Expression of Interest (EoI) application form. The EoI application form will be available from the new Mongolia Australian Scholarships Program website, and the targeted ministries' HRD Departments from mid- to late-July 2010.

### Closing Dates for Applications

Expressions of interest must be submitted by mid August 2010 for the 2012 intake. Scholars will be placed in Australian universities in January or June 2012.

### English Language Training

English language capability at the level of 5.0 IELTS is the minimum requirement for an expression of interest for ADS (application).

All nominees for scholarships to study in Australia whose applications are approved must achieve the necessary level of English language capability prior to the commencement of their scholarship. English language capability levels vary across different Australian universities with the minimum acceptance level being 6.5.

For the 2011 intake, short listed applicants who have a minimum IELTS score of 5.0 will need to undertake **nine months English language training in Mongolia**

**commencing in November 2010** to reach the required IELTS average score of 6.5.

### Other Matters

Funds for extension of scholarships in the event of course failures are not available. Scholarship nominees are strongly advised to carefully select courses with sufficient consideration to the appropriate preparation, background required and relevance to their current employment.

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