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**Australian Awards Scholarships (AAS) – Intake for Academic Year 2021**

The Government of Australia has invited nominations from eligible government officials in Sri Lanka for the above scholarships for the academic year 2021.

Australia Awards applicants must meet all eligibility requirements detailed in the Scholarships Policy Handbook, available at <http://dfat.gov.au/about-us/publications/pages/australia-awards-scholarships-policy-handbook.aspx>. Further details about priority sector and course selections are available at [www.australiaawardssrilanka.org](http://www.australiaawardssrilanka.org)

Accordingly, you are kindly requested to circulate this information among all eligible confirmed managerial level officers coming under this Ministry in your Division / Department / Institution including Additional Secretaries, District Secretaries, Senior Assistant Secretaries, Service's Directors and Divisional Secretaries. Further, please advise all applicants to visit <https://oasis.dfat.gov.au/> and submit online application before the deadline of **30<sup>th</sup> April 2020** and the hard copy of their applications along with the completed ERD Form No. 02 should be submitted to Department of External Resources through the respective divisions with your recommendation. ERD Form 2 can be downloaded from [www.erd.gov.lk](http://www.erd.gov.lk)

For more general information on the above program please visit [www.australiaawards.gov.au/](http://www.australiaawards.gov.au/) / <http://aid.dfat.gov.au/Pages/jome.aspx> or [www.border.gov.au](http://www.border.gov.au) or [www.pubad.gov.lk](http://www.pubad.gov.lk)

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# Sri Lanka

## Applying for an Australia Awards Scholarship

### Australia Awards scholarships in Sri Lanka

Australia's international development assistance in Sri Lanka 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 Sri Lanka.

Applications are strongly encouraged from eligible women, people with disability, those working in the disability sector and people working in the following priority districts:

Ampara	Batticaloa	Trincomalee
Jaffna	Kilinochchi	Mullaitivu
Mannar	Vavuniya	Anuradhapura
Polonnaruwa	Badulla	Moneragala
Puttalam	Ratnapura	Nuwera Eliya

### Priority fields of study

The priority areas of study for **Sri Lanka** are:

Priority sectors	Field of Study
Economic Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agriculture Economics</li> <li>• Business Administration</li> <li>• Customs Administration*</li> <li>• Development Economics</li> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Educational Management</li> <li>• Fisheries &amp; Aquatic Resources</li> <li>• Information &amp; Communication Technologies</li> <li>• International Finance</li> <li>• International Trade</li> <li>• Maritime Studies</li> <li>• Mathematics</li> <li>• Tourism and Hospitality</li> <li>• Urban Planning</li> </ul>

<b>Good Governance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development Studies</li> <li>• Disability Studies</li> <li>• Finance</li> <li>• Forensic Science</li> <li>• Human Resource Management</li> <li>• Humanitarian and Disaster Management*</li> <li>• Law</li> <li>• Political Economy</li> <li>• Political Science</li> <li>• Project Management</li> <li>• Public Administration</li> <li>• Public Policy</li> <li>• Statistics</li> <li>• Environmental Resource Management</li> </ul>
<b>Gender Equality</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Gender Studies</li> <li>• Political Science</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Sociology</li> </ul>

The governments of Australia and Sri Lanka 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:

[www.australiaawardssrilanka.org](http://www.australiaawardssrilanka.org)

### Level of study

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

Awards will be offered for commencement in 2021 within the following allocations:

- Masters level qualification (by coursework or research)

### 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



