# Australia Awards Scholarships - Pakistan

# Study commencing in 2023 Eligibility Checklist

Potential applicants for an Australia Awards Scholarship in Pakistan for study commencing in 2023 are encouraged to use this checklist to assess whether they ***may*** satisfy the eligibility criteria for an Australia Award in Pakistan before they commence an application. This checklist is not exhaustive and must be read in conjunction with the Country Profile for Pakistan for study commencing in 2023 and the information available at: [australiaawardspakistan.org](http://australiaawardspakistan.org)

Please note that Australia Awards will ***only*** be offered to persons who apply for a Scholarship in the prescribed manner and are selected through the formal selection process. Full details of the application and selection process and the conditions of the Scholarship are available at: [australiaawardspakistan.org](http://australiaawardspakistan.org)

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|  | Criterion | Your Response/Eligibility |
| Personal details | | |
| Q1 | Are you over 18 years of age? | Yes—please continue to Q2  No—you are ineligible |
| Q2 | Are you a citizen of Pakistan and currently residing in and applying from Pakistan? | Yes—please continue to Q3  No—you are ineligible |
| Q3 | Are you married to, engaged to or a de facto of a person who holds, or is eligible to hold, Australian or New Zealand citizenship or permanent residency? | Yes—you are ineligible  No—please continue to Q4 |
| Q4 | Are you applying for a visa to live in Australia? | Yes—you are ineligible  No—please continue to Q5 |
| Q5 | Are you current serving military personnel? | Yes—you are ineligible  No—please continue to Q6 |
| Previous foreign scholarships / foreign qualifications | | |
| Q6 | Have you held a foreign scholarship in the 24 months preceding the application closing date (29 April 2022)? | Yes—you are ineligible  No—please continue to Q7 |
| Q7 | Have you obtained an academic qualification outside Pakistan in the 24 months preceding the application closing date (29 April 2022)? | Yes—you are ineligible  No—please continue to Q8 |
| Previous scholarships from the Australian Government | | |
| Q8 | Have you previously been selected for an Australian Awards Scholarship? | Yes—please continue to Q9  No—please continue to Q10 |
| Q9 | Have you resided outside of Australia for twice the length of the total time that you were in Australia for your previous Australia Awards Scholarship?  (For example, if you were on an Australia Awards Scholarship in Australia for two years you will not be eligible to apply for another Australia Awards Scholarship until you have resided outside Australia for four years.) | Yes—please continue to Q10  No—you are ineligible |
| Proposed study program | | |
| Q10 | Does your proposed study program fall within one of the Sustainable Development Goals? | Yes—please continue to Q11  No—you are ineligible. |
| Qualifications and work experience? | | |
| Q11 | Do you satisfy the following requirements?   * Do you have a tertiary qualification at least equivalent to an Australian Bachelor’s degree? *Please contact the Australia Awards - Pakistan Country office if you are unsure whether your qualification is accredited and accepted by the Australia Awards.* * Is your proposed Masters degree course two years or less in duration? * Have you worked in Pakistan for at least 5 years preceding 29 April 2022? | Yes—please continue to Q12  No—you are ineligible |
| English language proficiency | | |
| Q12 | Do you have **one** of the following test scores that will still be valid on 1 January 2023?   * an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (Academic) overall score of 6.5 or above (with no individual band less than 6.0)—**or** an overall score of 6.0 with no individual band less than 5.0 for those living with a disability. * TOEFL internet-based test (iBT) score of at least 79, with a minimum of 21 in all sub-tests; or * a Pearson Test of English Academic (PTE Academic) overall score of 58, with no communicative skill score less than 50?   *Note: Australia Awards recipients must meet the English language requirement of their course, which may be higher than the minimum requirements specified here.* | Yes—you *may* be eligible. We encourage you to investigate further at: [australiaawardspakistan.org](http://australiaawardspakistan.org)  No—you are ineligible unless you can satisfy this criterion by 30 April 2022 |
| Supporting documentation | | |
| Q13 | Can you submit all the supporting documents required along with your application?  *Note: The list of required documents can be found in the Pakistan Country Profile for study commencing in 2023 available at:* [australiaawardspakistan.org](http://australiaawardspakistan.org) | Yes—you *may* be eligible. We encourage you to investigate further at: [australiaawardspakistan.org](http://australiaawardspakistan.org)  No—you are ineligible unless you can satisfy this criterion by 29 April 2022 |