



Australia Awards



PNGAus Partnership

Australia Awards In-PNG Scholarship

Intake 2027 – Bachelor of Midwifery



Australia Awards In-PNG Scholarships support training in priority areas identified by the Governments of Australia and Papua New Guinea and are delivered through selected partner tertiary institutions in PNG.

Midwifery scholars and graduates contribute to improving maternal and child health outcomes across Papua New Guinea.

Since 2012, more than 600 midwives have been trained through Australia Awards In-PNG Scholarships.

Women, people with disabilities and applicants from rural and remote areas are strongly encouraged to apply.

The Government of Australia, in partnership with the Government of Papua New Guinea, will offer scholarships in 2027 to undertake an 18-month Bachelor of Midwifery at the following partner institutions:

- Divine Word University (St Mary's Vunapope School of Nursing)
- Lutheran School of Nursing
- Pacific Adventist University
- University of Goroka
- University of Papua New Guinea.

Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must:

- meet the admission requirements for their nominated institution(s)
- be a PNG citizen residing in PNG at the time of application
- not have been convicted of a criminal offence
- not have been terminated from a previous Australia Awards scholarship
- hold a PNG nursing qualification (diploma or higher)
- have a minimum of two years' recent experience as a practising nurse by the commencement of study in 2027
- be fully registered with the PNG Nursing Council
- if a public servant, provide employer endorsement in line with PNG Public Service General Orders.

Applications close: 5pm, Monday 24 August 2026

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Scholarship benefits

The scholarship provides a comprehensive package, including:

- mobilisation and demobilisation travel within PNG
- a midwifery medical kit
- reunion travel during the Christmas period
- full tuition fees and on-campus accommodation (where applicable)
- one-off establishment allowance
- contribution to fortnightly living allowance
- contribution to medical expenses
- on-award enrichment programs, including support to transition into the workforce
- one-year associate membership of the PNG Australia Alumni Association upon graduation.

Conditions of Award

Successful applicants must:

- be accepted into full-time study at the institution listed in your scholarship offer
- sign a contract agreeing to the terms and conditions of the scholarship
- if required, reside on-campus without family members (unaccompanied)
- fulfill all other conditions in the scholarship agreement.

Important Notice – Fraud and Misrepresentation

The Australian Government maintains a **zero-tolerance approach to fraud**.

All application documents will be verified. Applicants found to have submitted fraudulent or misleading information will:

- be excluded from consideration
- be ineligible for future Australia Awards
- have their scholarship terminated if fraud is detected after a scholarship is awarded.

For further information

Australia Awards In-PNG Scholarships

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Course and Institution Enquiries

Applicants are encouraged to contact their preferred institution directly for course-specific requirements.

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Application Process

Applicants must:

1. apply online via: <https://smr.to/p110353>
2. apply separately for admission to their preferred institution(s).