



Australia Awards



Australia Awards in PNG

Short Course Award

Graduate Certificate in Social Research Methods

Australia Awards in PNG is seeking suitable public sector applicants who are involved in data collection, analysis and reporting to apply for the Graduate Certificate in Social Research Methods Short Course.

This course will assist public servants develop and enhance their research skills for application in the workplace. It will also provide participants with an increased understanding of research theory and methods for applied research, including research design, ethics, data analysis, interpretation and reporting.

Target participants

Participants will be drawn from a range of Government of PNG Departments and at Grade levels between 10 and 14, with priority sectors including education and health. Target Departments include: National Planning and Monitoring; Personnel Management; Health; Education; Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology; Labour and Industrial Relations; and Community Development and Religion. Those working in priority sectors in other Departments and Provincial Administrations and Health Authorities also will be considered.

Public servant applicants must complete the Australia Awards in PNG Short Course Awards Application Form for Government of Papua New Guinea applicants and have the endorsement of the head of their department, agency or administration. They are also required to complete the Training Bid Form and submit to the Department of Personnel Management through their Human Resource/Training division.

Proposed Learning Objectives

Upon completion of the course, participants will have developed their knowledge or skills in:

- Understanding and application of research theory and methods for applied research, ethics in research design, analysis and data interpretation;
- Development of research proposals;
- Policy research, program design and monitoring and evaluation;
- Social research and the capability to work on a range of research projects and employ a variety of different research methods (if undertaking research internally); and
- Basic and applied research, use of technology for data analysis and interpretation.

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To apply for this Short Course, applicants must:

- Have a Bachelor's degree or equivalent and at least five years' work experience in an administrative/leadership role
- Be employed with the type of organisation listed above in a managerial or leadership position & their application be supported by their Manager/head of organisation
- Have a minimum academic English proficiency of IELTS 6.5 (shortlisted applicants may be required to undertake a test facilitated by Australia Awards in PNG)
- Have a commitment to prepare and implement a workplace project; engage actively and foster networks with multiple stakeholders, including in Australia and to disseminate learning from the course with students, colleagues and peers

The expected course delivery dates are as follows:

- Pre-course workshop (one week, in PNG): April 2021
- Study block 1 (four weeks, in PNG): May-June 2021
- Study block 2 (four weeks, in PNG): August-September 2021
- Study block 3 (four weeks, TBC): October to November 2021
- Post-course workshop (one week, in PNG): January 2022

This is a fully funded scholarship. All course fees, travel, accommodation and per diems will be provided by Australia Awards in PNG. Given the current COVID-19 environment and accompanying travel restrictions, the course may be delivered entirely in PNG, including via remote or online learning.

Women and people with a disability are strongly encouraged to apply. Australia Awards in PNG is committed to the Gender Equity and Social Inclusion policies of the PNG Government and the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Australia Awards is a child-safe program. Applicants will be required to complete a police check and provide character and professional references.

How to apply

Visit our website at www.australiaawardspng.org. Please send your completed application form, CV and supporting documents to researchmethods@australiaawardspng.org

Applications close at 5pm (PNG time) on Friday 12 February 2021

