



# Australia Awards Scholarships - Bhutan

## Study commencing in 2023

### Priority fields of study

The priority fields of study identified for Australia Awards Scholarships for study commencing in 2023 reflect the development needs of Bhutan and priorities agreed between the Australian Government and the Royal Government of Bhutan (RGOB). They align with the objectives of Australia's bilateral and regional aid programs.

Applicants must apply for **only one** field of study for which their parent agency nominates them. However, applicants can submit more than one institution preference in their applications.

Applicants are encouraged to carefully consider study program and institution preferences before applying.

### Priority fields of study for applicants under the purview of the Ministry of Labour and Human Resources for Master's level programs

	Development Theme	Agency/Sector	Field of Study	Target Group	Required Academic Background
1	Economic Recovery	Cross Sector	Professional Accounting	Accounts Officers, Finance Officers, and Subject Lecturers	Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting or Finance), Bachelor of Business Administration (Accounting or Finance). In addition, applicants must meet university/course specific requirements.
2	Education	Education and Training	STEM Education	STEM Teachers and Lecturers	Bachelor's degree in STEM subject/s. In addition, applicants must meet university/course specific requirements.
3	Energy and Resources	Cross Sector	Electrical Engineering	Electrical Engineers and Subject Lecturers	Bachelor of Engineering (Electrical) and Bachelor of Technology (Electrical Engineering). In addition, applicants must meet university/course specific requirements.
4	Governance	Cross Sector	Human Resource Management	Human Resource Officers, and Subject Teachers/Lecturers	Any bachelor's degree with relevant work experience. In addition, applicants must meet university/course specific requirements.
			Information System Management	IT Professionals and Subject Lecturers	Bachelor of Information Technology, Bachelor of Computer Science, Bachelor of Science (Computer Application or Information Technology), Bachelor of Engineering (Information Technology). In addition, applicants must meet university/course specific requirements.
5	Infrastructure	Cross Sector	Civil or Structural Engineering	Civil Engineers and Subject Lecturers	Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) and Bachelor of Technology (Civil Engineering). In addition, applicants must meet university/course specific requirements.

**Note:** A bachelor's degree must be equivalent to an Australian Bachelor's degree. According to the Australian Qualification Framework (AQF), a four-year bachelor's degree from Bhutan is accepted as equivalent to an Australian Bachelor's degree. However, if applicants have completed a three-year bachelor's degree, an additional one-year full-time Postgraduate Diploma may be required for the degree to be considered equivalent to an Australian bachelor's degree, unless it is from a Section 1 university. Approach the Australia Awards-Bhutan for clarification.

## **Social inclusion**

Australia Awards Scholarships are offered based on merit, transparency, and equal access. Applications are strongly encouraged from eligible women, people with disability and people working in rural areas.

## **Female applicants**

At least 50 percent of the Scholarships will be offered to qualified women applicants. Family members can join scholars, but certain conditions apply—see the ***Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook***. School-going children can access free public education in Australia and childcare facilities are available (on a payment basis), if required.

## **Disability support**

Reasonable disability support (academic and non-academic) is provided to recipients with disability based on a 'needs' assessment with the objective of allowing their participation on an equal basis with other recipients—see the ***Australia Awards Scholarships Policy Handbook***.

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