

Scheme Objective

The purpose of the International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (IPRS) Scheme is to attract top quality overseas postgraduate students to areas of research strength in higher education institutions and to support Australia's research effort.

The program offers you the opportunity to obtain a postgraduate qualification and to gain experience with leading Australian researchers.

Eligibility:

You may apply if you:

- (i) are a citizen of any overseas country except New Zealand and not eligible for study under the Research Training Scheme; and
- (ii) are commencing full-time, on-campus study in 2009 for a higher degree by research at Griffith University, or
- (iii) commenced study for a higher degree by research in one of the participating Australian higher education institutions in 2008 and did not have the opportunity to apply for an IPRS before commencement; or
- (iv) commenced study for a higher degree by research in one of the participating Australian higher education institutions prior to 2009 and terminated that enrolment within six months of commencement; and
- (v) are enrolled in an area of research strength; and
- (vi) satisfy all institutional academic entry requirements for a research Masters or Doctoral program, including the English proficiency levels set by individual institutions for international students.

IPRS applicants are **not** eligible if they:

- (i) hold a PhD degree deemed the equivalent of an Australian PhD degree;
- (ii) hold an Australian-equivalent research Masters degree, if seeking an IPRS to undertake a Masters program;
- (iii) are an overseas student who is currently studying on a scholarship sponsored by the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID), or seeking to apply for an IPRS scholarship within two years following the conclusion of AusAID-funded study.

Benefits:

IPRS awards provide:

- (i) program tuition fees set by the University for each semester of the program for up to six semesters in the case of a doctoral candidate, and up to four semesters in the case of a research masters candidate. An extension of up to one semester, for doctoral candidates only, may be granted where the University is satisfied that the reason for the requested extension is beyond the candidate's control and related to the research, rather than to personal reasons; and
- (ii) health insurance cover for students and dependants.

IPRS awards **do not** provide for:

- (i) living allowances
- (ii) travel expenses
- (iii) thesis expenses
- (iv) the cost of English language testing
- (v) tuition fees for bridging programs or ELICOS programs.

Commencement:

Awards may be taken up from 1 January. It is expected that all awardees will commence study by the start of semester two. IPRS recipients are required to study full-time on-campus.

Further information: contact the Postgraduate Research Scholarships Coordinator on telephone 617 3735 6596 or email rhd-scholarship@griffith.edu.au

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