



**Australia Awards**

# Short Courses

**Applications open  
1 September 2016 – 15 January 2017**

**Promoting development in Africa  
through education and training**

Australia Awards are prestigious international scholarships funded by the Australian Government. They promote development in Africa through a program of training opportunities for African professionals.

## Australia Awards Short Courses

Australia Awards Short Courses provide short-term training opportunities for African professionals in specialised fields.

The objective of the Australia Awards Short Courses is to develop the capacity and leadership skills of Africans so they can contribute more effectively to development in their home countries.

Course durations range between one and three months. Training is delivered in Australia as well as in various locations in Africa.

Key sectors of focus, agreed between Australia and African partner governments are:

- Agricultural Productivity
- Extractives
- Public Policy

## Eligibility

To be eligible for an Australia Awards Short Course, applicants must meet the following:

- Citizen of an eligible African country
- Minimum academic requirement (normally Bachelor's degree or equivalent)
- Mid to senior-level professional currently employed in a relevant field
- Meets relevant post-graduation work experience requirements
- Demonstrates a clear vision for how the knowledge gained through the Short Course will be used to improve policy, practice or reform in their home country
- Satisfactory English proficiency to enable full participation in a training course delivered in English
- Satisfies all requirements of the Australian Government for the appropriate student visa (subclass 500).

Australia Awards cover the full cost of tuition fees, training materials, accommodation, contribution to living expenses, health insurance for basic medical and hospital care in Australia and in Africa, and travel within Africa and to and from Australia.

Detailed eligibility criteria are published on the Australia Awards website: [www.australiaawardsafrica.org](http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org).

## Gender Equality

Australia Awards targets equal participation by women and men. Applications from women are strongly encouraged. Mechanisms are in place to support female applicants and Awardees.

## Disability Inclusion

Australia Awards aims to ensure that people with a disability are given fair and equal opportunities to compete for and obtain a Scholarship. Applications from persons with disability are strongly encouraged. Mechanisms are in place to support applicants and Awardees requiring specific assistance.

HIV-positive condition is not a barrier to eligibility.

**For more information on eligibility criteria and application forms, please visit the Australia Awards website: [www.australiaawardsafrica.org](http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org)**

