**New Colombo Plan  
Scholarship Program**

***Expression of interest***

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Please email your Expression of Interest and a Statement of Academic Record to [studyabroad@murdoch.edu.au](mailto:studyabroad@murdoch.edu.au) by  **12:00pm AWST 25th August 2025**. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted!

PLEASE read the NCP 2026 Scholarship Guidelines! Please note the priority areas for selection at 6.1 of the guidelines.

1. **Personal Details**

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| Name: |  | Student ID: |  |
| Gender: |  | DOB: |  |
| Email: |  | Mobile Phone: |  |
| Degree: | | | |
| Academic Chair: | | | |
| Are you an Australian Citizen  (requirement for Scholarship) | | Yes/No | |
| Do you have dual citizenship or permanent residency in another country? | | Yes\*/No  \*If yes, where \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |
| Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? | | Yes/No | |
| Is a language other than English spoken at your home? | | Yes/No | |
| Do you have a disability? | | Yes/No | |
| Do you regard yourself as the first in your immediate family to attend university? | | Yes/No | |
| Do you regard yourself as coming from a low-socio-economic background? | | Yes/No | |
| Do you regard yourself as coming from a regional/remote area? | | Yes/No | |

1. **Destinations**

NCP Scholarship Programs can be undertaken in the following Indo-Pacific host locations: *Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Nauru, Nepal, New Caledonia, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Vietnam.*

**Where do you intend to undertake the Scholarship Program?**

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| Location for study: |  |
| Location for internship (this can be in the same or different location): |  |

1. **Details of Proposed Scholarship Program**

Students must undertake a full-time study program for which they will receive full credit towards their Bachelor or Bachelor Honours Degree at Murdoch University.

The Scholarship Program does not have to be with one of Murdoch’s existing exchange partners in the Indo-Pacific region. Students will have to make contact with a non-affiliated host institution to explore the possibility of studying with them, but this can occur after completing this Expression of Interest. At this stage, please make sure that the host institution you are interested in accepts fee-paying visiting international students and that they offer units in your area of study.

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| At which Indo-Pacific host university do you intend to study? |  |
| How long do you intend to study abroad?  Please indicate by deleting response that does not apply! | 1 semester/1 year |
| Which semester do you intend to study abroad?  Please indicate by deleting responses that do not apply and indicate if you intend to study for two semesters; keeping in mind that you need to depart by 15 December 2026. | Semester 1 2026 Semester 2 2026  AY 2026 Semester 1 2027 |
| Do you intend to undertake language training?  (note: language training is a priority | Yes/No |

1. **Personal Statement**

At 6.2 of the guidelines you should familiarise yourself with the (4) Assessment Criteria and demonstrate below a brief understanding.

Why are you applying for the NCP Scholarship Program and what would you hope to get out of the experience? (maximum 300 words; bullet points welcome)

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If you have any questions, please contact Serena Baptist (International Relations and Programs) at [studyabroad@murdoch.edu.au](mailto:studyabroad@murdoch.edu.au) or call 08 9360 7836. Don’t forget to submit your Statement of Academic Record (order [here](https://transcripts.murdoch.edu.au/?_gl=1*e1kphu*_gcl_au*MTc4MTIxOTIxMy4xNzUwOTAzNDU1*_ga*MTIwMjkzMDc1My4xNzE4NTkzOTI4*_ga_JJL7264DX3*czE3NTE1MjgyMjgkbzMxMSRnMSR0MTc1MTUyODI0OCRqNDAkbDAkaDUxMzYwMjQ2)) with this EOI.

**What happens next?**

Serena Baptist, International Liaison Officer – Murdoch University, will be in touch with instructions regarding your application to DFAT following your nomination.

If your application is accepted, you will be invited to participate in an ONLINE interview. If you pass this last stage, you will be awarded the scholarship at an awards ceremony in Canberra in early December 2025.