



Endeavour Vocational Education and Training Award

Would you like to study a Diploma in Cairns as an international student on a full scholarship from Australia Awards, Australian Government?

(Following information sourced from Endeavour Awards 2011 Applicant Guidelines)

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The Endeavour VET Award is the Australian Government's internationally competitive, merit-based scholarship program providing opportunities for citizens of the Asia-Pacific, Middle East, Europe and Americas to undertake vocational study in Australia. The award aims to:

- Develop on-going educational and professional linkages between individuals, organisations and countries
- Provide opportunities for high achieving individuals from overseas to increase their skills and enhance their global awareness
- Contribute to Australia's position as provider of high quality education and training

Participating countries

China (including Hong Kong and Macau SAR), Fiji, Indonesia, India, Japan, South Korea, Malaysia, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, European countries (extensive list), Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Brazil, Chile, Canada, and USA.

This is not a full list of eligible countries.

Description of the Endeavour VET Award

The Award provides financial support for up to 2.5 years for international students from participating countries to undertake vocational education at a Diploma level in any field of study in Australia. Vocational education and training provides occupational or work-related knowledge and skills. The courses are traditionally non-academic and directly related to a trade, occupation or vocation in which the applicant participates.

The Award aims to:

- Enable students from varied backgrounds to undertake study in Australia
- Further develop Award Holders' knowledge and skills in their areas of expertise
- Showcase Australia's vocational education and training sector
- Strengthen mutual understanding between the people of Australia and Award Holders' home countries
- Build linkages and networks between Australia and participating countries
- Address skills shortages in Award Holders' home countries

Award benefits

Funding	Maximum amount payable (AUDS)
Travel allowance	\$4,500
Establishment allowance	\$4,000
Monthly stipend (up to 2.5 years on a pro-rata basis)	\$2,500 per month
Tuition fees each semester (up to 2 years)	Up to \$6,500 per semester
Additional prior English language training up to 6 months, if required	Up to \$10,000
Total Award value	Up to \$119,500



Eligibility and selection criteria

International applicants applying for the 2011, 2012, 2013, etc round must:

- Be citizens or permanent residents of a participating country and reside in a participating country
- Not be in Australia or have been studying, living or working in Australia the year prior to commencement
- Be 18 years of age or over at the commencement of their Awards
- Attach evidence of completion of their highest academic achievement (the minimum educational qualification is the equivalent of the Australian Year 10 Certificate)
- Have applied for and gained admission (conditional admission is acceptable) into a Diploma course at an Australian vocational education institution
- Commence their approved program and Award between January and November the following year

Selection Criteria

- A record of prior academic achievement and relevant work experience (must be directly related for preferential consideration)
- A proposal that is relevant to the applicant's needs and interests and those of their home country
- The applicant's potential to address skills/needs/shortages specific in their home country through the chosen course of study
- The applicant's ability to successfully complete their proposed course in Australia and potential to participate in their chosen profession and wider community in their home country on return from Australia
- Outstanding community service or civic participation that has benefited your community

Programs available at Tropical North Queensland TAFE, Cairns Campus

Diploma of Hospitality
Diploma of Hospitality (including Cookery or Bakery)
Diploma of Nursing (Enrolled/Division 2 Nursing)
Diploma of Information Technology (Networking)
Diploma of Horticulture

Other Diplomas are offered in Business, Management, Automotive, Engineering, Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy, Conservation and Land Management, and Tourism within TAFE Queensland Regional Institutes. Contact Tropical North Queensland TAFE for more information.

Application process

It is essential to obtain a free copy of the application guidelines from the Endeavour Award website to fully understand the process.

The first step in the application processes is to make an application to study directly to Tropical North Queensland TAFE prior to **31 July** in any year to obtain a Letter of Offer to allow you to apply for the award.

Who can I contact for further assistance and to apply?

The International Sales Manager is available to help guide you through the process, find a suitable course and arrange the Letter of Offer. Mention that you intend to apply for a scholarship when applying.

Obtain full and current Award information Award from
<http://www.deewr.gov.au/International/EndeavourAwards>