

ASEAN-Australia Council Women in Humanitarian Leadership Scholarship Fund

The Australian-ASEAN Council aims to increase knowledge and promote Australia's interests in South-East Asia by initiating and supporting activities designed to enhance awareness, understanding and links between people and institutions in Australia and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) – Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.



Humanitarian Leadership

The ASEAN countries are committed to women's empowerment and recognise the pivotal role women's leadership plays in improving inclusive and well targeted humanitarian action. Australia, through **ASEAN-Australia Council Women in Humanitarian Leadership Scholarship Fund**, will provide ten (10) scholarships that will contribute to or cover full course fees, to be awarded to emerging women leaders from ASEAN countries accepted into the Centre for Humanitarian Leadership's Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership.

The ASEAN-Australia Council Women in Humanitarian Leadership Scholarship Fund will build on the part-scholarships already provided through the Centre for Humanitarian Leadership, a partnership between Deakin University and Save the Children Australia with the support of the IKEA Foundation. The aim of the scholarship is to strengthen the leadership skills of women engaged in humanitarian and aid policy, disaster resilience and disaster management to drive change in their country and the ASEAN region.

The Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership

Delivered through the Centre for Humanitarian Leadership at Deakin University in Melbourne, the Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership examines the leadership and strategy issues faced by managers in the humanitarian sector.

It covers the principles and methodologies of leadership in humanitarian operations and explores the organisational processes and leadership practices that enable humanitarian teams to deliver in the most challenging contexts.

The course takes a systemic perspective encompassing broader issues in the humanitarian system, effective response delivery and transitioning to recovery. Going beyond theoretical learning, the Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership provides students with the experiences, support and challenges that will help them develop their skill and confidence in offering leadership to others.



The Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership is an accredited post-graduate level university course from Deakin University. The distance learning elements of the course require a commitment of at least 10 hours per week over a period of eight months. In addition, there are two residential components in Australia and Indonesia.

Successful applicants will be enrolled with Deakin University, and therefore will have access to student and academic support services, as well as library and online services.

Students who successfully complete the course will be awarded a Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership, which can then be credited towards a Masters of Humanitarian Assistance.

Scholarship details

The scholarship will contribute to or cover full course fees for successful applicants and contribute toward return air travel, visa expenses and incidental costs for the residential components of the course. Accommodation and meals for the residential components is included in the tuition fees.

Scholarship eligibility criteria

To be selected, applicants need to demonstrate:

- Current employment in a government authority or organisation relevant to humanitarian action
- Citizenship of an eligible country: Indonesia, Myanmar, Thailand, Brunei, Laos, Philippines, Vietnam, Cambodia, Malaysia, Singapore
- Minimum five years' experience engaged in the aid sector, preferably a humanitarian organisation
- A minimum of three years in a managerial role
- A desire to develop your leadership skills in order to make a positive contribution to the future of the humanitarian sector, and availability to undertake the course
- Must have equivalent English language level to 6.5 IELTS, as per Deakin University's requirements. You may be requested to undertake a written test or undergo interview during the application process.

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Applications

Applicants wishing to apply for the ASEAN-Australia Council Women in Humanitarian Leadership Scholarship Fund need to complete the general [Graduate Certificate of Humanitarian Leadership application form](#) online. Please indicate which scholarship you want to be considered for in the 'Comments Section'.

All applicants should read the [Course Information Pack](#) before applying. The residential element of the course is intense and challenging, similar to a first phase emergency response. Applicants must ensure they have made arrangements to cover any family care responsibilities they have before applying - students are required to remain at the site and no other guests are permitted to stay or visit for the duration of the intensive residential component.

Applications must be received by 28 June 2018.

For additional information and to apply, please visit centreforhumanitarianleadership.org or email sophie@cfhl.org.au.

