

ENDEAVOUR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS FLYER

About the Endeavour Awards

The Endeavour Awards is the Australian Government's internationally competitive, merit-based scholarship program providing opportunities for citizens of the Asia-Pacific, the Middle East, Europe and the Americas to undertake study, research and professional development in Australia. Awards are also available for Australians to undertake study, research and professional development abroad.

The Endeavour Awards aim to:

- Develop on-going educational, research and professional linkages between individuals, organisations and countries;
- Provide opportunities for high achieving individuals from Australia and overseas to increase their skills and enhance their global awareness;
- Contribute to Australia's position as a high quality education and training provider, and a leader in research and innovation; and
- Increase the productivity of Australians through an international study, research or professional development experience.

The Endeavour Awards are a part of the Australia Awards initiative which was announced by the Australian Government in November 2009. The Australia Awards have been established to maximise the benefit to Australia of its extensive scholarship programs, and to support enduring ties between Australia and our neighbours.

The Australia Awards bring together the international development awards administered by the Australian Agency for International Development (AusAID) and the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations' (DEEWR) Endeavour Awards under a single recognisable brand. Further information is available at www.AustraliaAwards.gov.au.

The **Endeavour Research Fellowship** provides financial support for postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows from participating countries to undertake short-term research (4-6 months) towards a Masters or PhD (which they are enrolled in a participating country) or postdoctoral research in any field of study in Australia; and for Australian postgraduate students and postdoctoral fellows to undertake short term research (4-6 months) towards a Masters or PhD (which they are enrolled in Australia) or postdoctoral research, in any field of study, in participating countries.

The Endeavour Research Fellowships aim to:

- enable high achieving scholars from participating countries to undertake research in Australia and for Australians to do the same abroad;
- further develop the social and economic environment of Australia and the participating countries;
- further develop Award Holders' knowledge and skills in their field of research;
- strengthen bilateral ties between Australia and the participating countries;
- showcase Australia's educational sector;
- strengthen mutual understanding between the people of Australia and Award Holders' home countries; and
- build international linkages and networks.

Award Benefits

Funding Type	Amount (\$AUD)	Details
Travel Allowance	\$4,500	
Establishment Allowance	\$4,000	

Monthly Stipend	\$2,500 per month	Up to 6 months on a pro-rata basis
Health Insurance (International)	Health Cover will be provided for full period of Award	
Travel Insurance (International)	Coverage provided for travel to and from Australia, not during.	
Health & Travel Insurance	Coverage provided for full period of Award.	
Total Award Value	Up to \$23,500	

Eligibility Requirements

1. International applicants **must** be citizens and/or permanent residents of a participating country (see below) and **may not** hold dual citizenship with Australia.
2. International applicants who currently hold a valid Australian student visa are **not eligible** to apply.
3. International applicants must be **enrolled** in a Masters or PhD course in a participating country for your Endeavour Award Category or have had their PhD conferred and received their final results prior to the commencement of their Award.
4. Australian applicants **must** be citizens and/or permanent residents of Australia.
5. Australian applicants must be **enrolled** in a Masters or PhD course in Australia or have had their PhD conferred and received their final results prior to the commencement of their Award.
6. Applicants who have completed an Endeavour Award and/or AusAID Scholarship in the preceding 24 months (2 years) before the current round of the Endeavour Awards are **not eligible** to apply.
7. Applicants must have **completed** an undergraduate degree (minimum) at the time of application, demonstrating high academic achievement. **Postdoctoral applicants must have had their PhD conferred and obtained their final results prior to the commencement of their Award.**
8. Applicants **must be** nominated by their **host** organisation and provide a completed nomination form from the host organisation with their application.

Selection Criteria

- a record of high-level academic achievement in the applicant's chosen field of study;
- a well defined study or research program;
- a proposal that is relevant to the needs and interests of Australia and the applicant's home country;
- the applicant's potential to foster ongoing collaboration and cooperation with Australia and potential to participate at a high level in the academic or wider community in their home country on return from their program, and
- evidence of participation in community service outside of the applicant's regular studies and/or employment duties

Supporting Documentation Required at the time of Application

Further information on required documents can be found in the **Endeavour Awards 2012 Applicant Guidelines** (see www.AustraliaAwards.gov.au or your local Study in Australia website)

Endeavour Research Fellowships	Required Documents	Certified Copy Required
Proof of Citizenship and/or permanent residency (if different from citizenship)	✓	✓
Transcripts - Evidence of academic achievement	✓	✓
Proof of language proficiency	✓	✓
Completed Nomination Form by the host organisation	✓	✗

Referee reports (3)	✓	✗
Evidence of community service	✓	✗

Eligible Participating Countries

The Americas and Caribbean: Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela

How to apply?

You MUST read the **Endeavour Awards 2012 Applicant Guidelines** before applying. This is available at: <http://www.deewr.gov.au/International/EndeavourAwards/Pages/Apply.aspx>

A summarised version for applicants from the Americas and the Caribbean is available via your local Study in Australia website:

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/argentina

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/brazil

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/chile

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/colombia

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/mexico

www.studyinaustralia.gov.au/peru

To apply online, go to www.endeavouradmin.deewr.gov.au/es/esapplication/Security/Login.aspx

Application deadline

Applications for the 2012 Endeavour Awards will open on Friday 1 April 2011 and will close at 11:59PM Australian Eastern Standard Time (AEST) on Thursday 30 June 2011.

Need further assistance?

If you require any support to participate in the Endeavour Award application process, please contact endeavour.awards@deewr.gov.au

You may also contact Australian Government representatives nearest you by writing to one of these email addresses:

argentina@studyinaustralia.gov.au

brazil@studyinaustralia.gov.au

chile@studyinaustralia.gov.au

colombia@studyinaustralia.gov.au

mexico@studyinaustralia.gov.au

peru@studyinaustralia.gov.au



Martin Vila-Aiub, Graduate of the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina
Endeavour Research Fellowship Recipient
Host institution: University of Western Australia (UWA)

I have always had a strong commitment to high standards of scientific research. My successful application to the prestigious Endeavour Research Fellowship sponsored by the Australian Department of Education has allowed me to continue achieving my career goal. Thanks to the Endeavour Fellowship I have been able to develop and complete a research project at the Western Australian Herbicide Resistance Initiative (UWA); probably one of the most prestigious research centers in herbicide resistance in the world. The experience has been fantastic - a working environment with lots of resources for research and professional colleagues with great expertise and international reputation. No doubt, the Endeavour Award Program represents a fantastic opportunity for anyone willing to gain, improve or develop professional skills at the university level.