

Victoria – India Doctoral Scholarships

Scholarship Application Round Form For entry to study in 2013

www.studymelbourne.vic.gov.au/scholarships

Applications close at 4.00 pm on Friday 25 October 2012

Late or incomplete applications will NOT be considered

Applicant Details

Title (eg. Mr, Ms, Miss)	Surname or Family Name	Given Name(s)

Country of Birth

Address for Correspondence

Home Address (If different to above)

Home Phone Number (include country and area codes):

Work Phone Number (include country and area codes):

Email Address

VU Student ID Number (If previously or currently enrolled)

Residency Details

Of which country are you a citizen?

Are you a permanent resident of Australia?

A certified copy of a document showing proof of citizenship and/or permanent residency status must be attached to your application. This may be a birth certificate, a passport (with copy of permanent residency visa page) or certificate of citizenship.

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English Language Competence

All applicants must satisfy **at least one** of the following English language requirements. Please indicate how you have satisfied the English language requirements by ticking selection(s) below.

- ☐ English is my first language.
- ☐ **A)** I have a score of 6.5 or more on the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with no band less than 6.0
or
- ☐ **B)** I have a score of 92 or more on the Testing English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL- internet) with no section score less than 22
- ☐ I have provided evidence of English language proficiency equivalent to the IELTS or TOEFL entry level required for postgraduate research where study was previously undertaken in a country where English is not the official language
- ☐ I have successfully completed an approved English Language program with documentary proof stating that the level attained is equivalent to the IELTS or TOEFL entry level required for postgraduate research

Please visit website for further information

<http://www.vu.edu.au/international-students/apply-and-accept/entry-requirements>

Scholarship Eligibility Checklist

All questions must be answered by all applicants

1	Have you previously held, or do you currently hold any scholarship/award? If YES, please provide details. <i>Name of Scholarship/Award:</i> <hr style="border: 0; border-top: 1px solid black; margin: 5px 0;"/> <i>Dates of Scholarship/Award:</i> From ____/____/____ to ____/____/____	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
2	Have you already completed a Masters by Research degree and propose to undertake another in 2013?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
3	Have you already completed a PhD or research Doctorate degree or equivalent?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
4	Have you already commenced the Masters or PhD degree for which you are seeking a scholarship? If YES, please provide details. <i>Degree in which currently enrolled:</i> <input type="radio"/> Masters <input type="radio"/> Doctor of Philosophy <input type="radio"/> Other Doctorate <i>Dates of Enrolment:</i> From ____/____/____ to ____/____/____	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5	In 2013, will you be in receipt of another award, scholarship or salary of \$17,000 per annum or higher to undertake the same degree?	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

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Proposed Research

1. In which School, Centre or Institute at Victoria University do you wish to study?

2. What degree do you intend to undertake? (e.g. Doctor of Philosophy, Doctor of Business Administration, Doctor of Education etc)

3. Does your research align with an Area of Research Strength? If YES, which one?

4. Who is your Nominated Supervisor?

5. If you are offered a scholarship you MUST commence your research degree before 31 March 2013. Please indicate your expected commencement date: ____ / ____ / 2013

Please ensure that you attach a typed Research Proposal to this application. **No more than 2 typed A4 size pages will be considered.** The proposal should include the following:

- A.** Title of the proposed research.
- B.** Aims of the research.
- C.** A clear, brief summary which informs researchers outside the field why this research is of significance.
- D.** A plan of the methodology and techniques to be used.
- E.** Details of the facilities and equipment required.
- F.** An outline of the time scale of the proposed research.

Qualifications

Please provide details of all undergraduate and postgraduate qualifications.

Attach certified copies of all transcripts and other relevant documentation, including any prizes or distinctions gained in your academic career that are not listed in the official transcripts.

Undergraduate Qualifications

Qualification	Institution	Level of Honours	Year Commenced	Year Completed

Postgraduate Qualifications

Qualification	Institution	Type of Course (Please tick)	Year Commenced	Year Completed
		Research <input type="checkbox"/>		
		Coursework <input type="checkbox"/>		
		Research <input type="checkbox"/>		
		Coursework <input type="checkbox"/>		

For any degree that was completed in a country other than Australia, you will need to provide a certified copy of the original academic transcript (including a key to result codes) with an English translation if necessary. Any supporting documents submitted in languages other than English, will require an official certified translation into English, in addition to the certified copy of the document.

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Research Experience

Briefly describe your research experience. (If insufficient space, please attach a separate sheet)

Please list any publications (including dates of publication) of research or work that you have done individually or with others.
(If insufficient space, please attach a separate sheet)

Please detail any employment experience that is relevant to this application.
(If insufficient space, please attach a separate sheet)

Academic Referees

Please provide full details of two people whom you have asked to support your application. They should preferably be senior academics familiar with your most recent work.

Name:	
Address:	
Position:	
Telephone:	Email:

Name:	
Address:	
Position:	
Telephone:	Email:

Note: Reports from referees must be provided on the attached Academic Referee Report Form. Referees should complete the form and return it directly to Victoria University by the closing date of Friday 25 October 2012 either by mail or email.

**It is your responsibility to ensure that your referees submit their reports by the closing date.
Your application will not proceed if referee reports are not received.**

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Declaration

I declare that the information submitted is complete, correct and true in every particular.

I authorise the University to obtain from educational institutions and relevant authorities at any time details of my enrolment, academic record, examination results and bond status, including details of enrolment variation, attendance and addresses during the year in connection with my scholarship/award application.

I understand that the University reserves the right to vary or reverse any decision made on the basis of incorrect or incomplete information. I am aware that there are severe penalties for providing false or misleading information.

I agree to abide by the scholarship/award conditions, as amended from time to time.

Applicant's Signature	Date

Application Checklist

**Please ensure that you provide ALL of the following documentation.
Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.**

- ☐ Original application with attachments as listed below (Do not include originals of attachments, provide certified copies)
- ☐ All Academic Transcripts and Records ☐ certified * copy, plus ☐ English translation (if required)
If awaiting results eg. Honours/master's thesis, please forward to the Scholarships Coordinator as soon as they become available.
- ☐ Birth Certificate, Citizenship Certificate or Passport ☐ certified * copy
- ☐ Copy of permanent residency visa (if applicable) ☐ certified * copy
- ☐ Evidence of English language proficiency (if English is not first language) ☐ certified * copy
- ☐ Research Proposal
- ☐ Further details of research or work experience / publications (If required)

In addition, if I am unsuccessful in obtaining a scholarship, I still wish to be considered for a Full Fee International Place (international applicants) or a Research Training Scheme place (domestic applicants): ☐ Yes ☐ No

SEND YOUR APPLICATION AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION TO:

EMAIL: *Melissa.Drysale@vu.edu.au*

MAIL: *Postgraduate Scholarships Coordinator
Office for Postgraduate Research
Victoria University
PO Box 14428
Melbourne, Victoria 8001
AUSTRALIA*

COURIER/INTERNATIONAL EXPRESS MAIL/IN PERSON:
*Postgraduate Scholarships Coordinator
Building C, Level 3, Room C320
Victoria University
Ballarat Road, Footscray VIC 3011
AUSTRALIA*

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CONFIDENTIAL REFEREE REPORT

Office Use Only

Application Reference No:

For the Applicant (This section to be completed by the applicant. Please type or print using black ink)

- Please complete your details below and pass a copy of each of the form to each of the two (2) people whom you wish to act as your academic referee. Each person should be a senior academic conversant with your most recent studies.

Applicant's Name

Applicant's Address

For the Referee (This section to be completed by the referee. Please use black ink)

- Referee comments are considered when assessing scholarship applications. The University is particularly interested in your opinion of the qualifications, experience, academic and research ability of the applicant. These should be judged with reference to the applicant's peer group. Reports must be returned by **FRIDAY 25 October 2012**. Please note that applications cannot be considered unless referee reports are returned by this date. Do not return this form to the applicant – return to the address given at the end of this form.

Referee's Name:

Address:

Position:
(including capacity
in which you are aware of
the applicant's academic potential)

Telephone:

Email:

Please give your appraisal of the candidate by ticking the appropriate box, using the following key as a guide. Please rate the applicant in comparison with others you have known who have successfully undertaken postgraduate study. Please use the space available to comment on your ranking decision.

◆ Outstanding = Top 5% ◆ Very Good = 6% - 10% ◆ Good = 11% - 20% ◆ Average = 21% - 40% ◆ Poor

1. How do you rate the applicant's postgraduate research potential?

☐ Outstanding

☐ Very Good

☐ Good

☐ Average

☐ Poor

2. If the applicant has completed a thesis based on research, how do you rate the thesis?

☐ Outstanding

☐ Very Good

☐ Good

☐ Average

☐ Poor

3. How do you rate the applicant's ability to communicate in English?					
♦ Written Skills	<input type="radio"/> Excellent	<input type="radio"/> Very Good	<input type="radio"/> Good	<input type="radio"/> Reasonable	<input type="radio"/> Poor
♦ Oral Skills	<input type="radio"/> Excellent	<input type="radio"/> Very Good	<input type="radio"/> Good	<input type="radio"/> Reasonable	<input type="radio"/> Poor

4. Based on the comments you have given below, what degree of support do you give the applicant?				
<input type="radio"/> Unreserved	<input type="radio"/> Strong	<input type="radio"/> Fairly Strong	<input type="radio"/> Moderate	<input type="radio"/> Nil

Please provide comments relating to the level of support you are giving the applicant. Please comment on the applicant's: initiative, creative ability, perseverance, critical ability, ability to meet deadlines, ability to complete a research degree and capacity for independent research. Attach extra sheets if required.

Referee's Signature	Date

<p align="center">Completed forms should not be seen by the applicant and will be treated in the STRICTEST CONFIDENCE</p> <p>Referees should return the completed forms before 4.00pm on Friday 25 October 2012 to: Email: Melissa.Drysdale@vu.edu.au or mail/courier to: The Postgraduate Scholarships Coordinator, Office for Postgraduate Research, Victoria University, PO Box 14428, Melbourne, Victoria, 8001, AUSTRALIA. Facsimile: 61+ 3 9919 4559</p>

PLEASE NOTE THAT APPLICATIONS CANNOT PROCEED IF REFEREE REPORTS ARE NOT RECEIVED BY THE CLOSING DATE.