



**Australia Awards**

# Africa Fellowships

**Applications open**

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**Promoting development in Africa  
through education and training**



Australia Awards are prestigious international scholarships funded by the Australian Government. They promote development in Africa through a large-scale program of training opportunities for African professionals.

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Cover: Margret Dembo Kawalewale (Malawi) and Shirley Lamptey (Ghana), Dryland Farming Fellowship, The University of Queensland  
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From Left: Tam Jonathan Ayerite (Nigeria) and Leslie Benoiton (Seychelles), Graduate Certificate in Maritime Studies at The Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources and Security (ANCORS), University of Wollongong  
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## Australia Awards – Africa Fellowships

Australia Awards – Africa Fellowships provide short-term training opportunities for African professionals in specialised fields.

The objective of the Australia Awards – Africa Fellowships is to develop the capacity and leadership skills of Africans so they can contribute more effectively to development in their home countries.

Course durations range between one and three months. Training is delivered in Australia as well as in various locations in Africa.

Key sectors of focus, agreed between Australia and African partner governments are:

- Agriculture and Food Security
- Extractives
- Public Policy

Details of individual courses are published on the Australia Awards website:  
[www.australiaawardsafrica.org](http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org)

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## Eligibility

To be eligible for an Australia Awards – Africa Fellowship, applicants must meet all eligibility criteria, including the following:

- Citizen of an eligible African country
- Minimum academic requirement (normally Bachelor's degree or equivalent)
- Mid- to senior-level professional currently employed in a relevant field
- Meets relevant post-graduation work experience requirements
- Demonstrates a clear vision for how the knowledge gained through the Fellowship will be used to improve policy, practice, research or reform in their home country
- Satisfactory English proficiency to enable full participation in a training course delivered in English
- Satisfies all requirements of the Australian Government for a Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) student visa

HIV-positive condition is not a barrier to eligibility.

Detailed eligibility criteria are published on the Australia Awards website:  
[www.australiaawardsafrica.org](http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org)

## Gender Equality

Australia Awards targets equal participation by women and men. Applications from women are strongly encouraged. Mechanisms are in place to support women applicants and Awardees if necessary, to ensure parity as far as possible.

## Disability Inclusion

Australia Awards aims to ensure that people with a disability are given fair and equal opportunity to compete for and obtain a scholarship. Applications from Africans with disability are strongly encouraged. Mechanisms are in place to support applicants and Awardees requiring specific assistance.



Fellows visiting farmers at Spitskop, South Africa  
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## Costs covered

Australia Awards cover the full cost of tuition fees, training materials, accommodation, living expenses, health insurance for basic medical and hospital care in Australia and in Africa, and travel within Africa and to and from Australia.

**For more information on eligibility criteria and application forms,  
please visit the Australia Awards website:**

**[www.australiaawardsafrica.org](http://www.australiaawardsafrica.org)**