



Oxford Australia Scholarship Fund - administration

The James Fairfax-Oxford Australia Fund was established to endow scholarships each year for Australians to go to Oxford University to study and research. The Fund was established in connection with the Campaign for Oxford 1993 at the Australian National University, with a large benefaction from Mr James Fairfax AC and other generous contributions from many Australians who have studied at Oxford. Since 1998, this Fund has enabled ninety-eight Australian scholars to study at Oxford.

In 2002, the Vincent Fairfax Family Foundation made a generous gift of \$120,000 to fund two young Australians for three-year research degrees in life sciences. Dr Jonathan Lo and Dr Jason Wong successfully completed their studies in 2007.

The Oxford Australia Scholarship Fund grows annually from donations and regular gifts by Australian Oxonians and others around the world.

In addition to the main fund, University College, Magdalen College, Brasenose College and Lincoln College have fund raising initiatives for named scholarships to these colleges. Thanks to generous donations from the late Hon Ian Wilson and from the late Dr Guy White, the Ian Wilson-Guy White Magdalen College Fund is now formally established and awarded its first Scholarship in 2014. Following specific fund-raising activities, the first Brasenose College scholar was appointed in 2014 and the first Lincoln College scholar commenced in 2018.

In 2016, Oxford University generously gave access to combined Oxford-Australia-Clarendon Scholarships. Three of these full fee awards are now available, as funding permits.

All Funds are managed as part of the Australian National University Endowment to attract maximum return on donations for the Scholarships.

If you wish to make a donation to the Oxford Australia Scholarship Fund, please click the [Donation Form](#) for an Australian tax-deductible donation form. UK donors may access tax benefits through the [ANU-UK Foundation](#).

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The Scholarship is administered in Australia in collaboration with the International Office of Oxford University. The Oxford Australia Scholarship Committee currently comprises:

- *Professor John W White AO CMG FRS FAA (Chairman) DPhil (Oxon), Professor of Physical and Theoretical Chemistry, ANU*
- *Professor Peter Rathjen DPhil (Oxon), Vice-Chancellor, University of Adelaide*
- *Professor Chester Brown BCL (Oxon) PhD (Cantab), Professor of International Law, Sydney University Law School*
- *Professor John Carver BSc (Adel) PhD (ANU) Director Research School of Chemistry, ANU*
- *Professor Peter Kanowski, BSc Forestry, DPhil (Oxon), Master University House and Professor of Forestry, ANU*
- *Assoc. Professor Jane Golley, DPhil (Oxon) A/g Director, Australian Centre on China in the World, ANU*
- *Professor James Goudkamp, DPhil (Oxon), Fellow Keble College Oxford, Professor of the Law of Obligations, Oxford University*

Applications are sought by a process of nationwide advertisement, seeking candidates of the highest academic quality. Candidates apply firstly through Oxford University Applications, where selection for Clarendon Scholarships are made, and secondly, directly to the Oxford Australia Scholarship Committee in Australia for OA scholarship selection. The Australian Scholarship Committee, having considered academic performance, referees' reports, candidates' written work and placing at Oxford, decides on the ranking list in March of the year when successful candidates would go up to Oxford.