**Expression of Interest Form**

To be considered for the 2024 New Colombo Plan Scholarship this form must be fully completed and submitted electronically by **24 July 2023** to:

International Office

[international.office@ecu.edu.au](mailto:international.office@ecu.edu.au)

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| Name |  | | | | | Gender | | M / F / X /  Prefer not to say |
| Date of Birth  Please note: to be eligible students must be aged from 18 to 28 (inclusive) at 1 January in the year of the commencement of their Scholarship Program (2024) | | | | | | \_ \_ / \_ \_ / \_ \_ \_ \_ | | |
| ECU Student Email | |  | | | | | | |
| ECU Student ID | |  | | | Mobile Phone |  | | |
| Are you an Australian Citizen? | | | | | | Yes | | No |
| If yes, do you have dual citizenship, permanent residency or similar in another country/location? | | | | | | Yes | | No |
| Country of dual-citizenship:  Please note: You must undertake your Scholarship in a Host Location, in which you do not have citizenship or residency rights; and in which you have not previously been a citizen or permanent resident. | | | | | | |  | |
| Are you an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander? | | | | | | | Yes | No |
| Your graded average (Weighted Average Mark) – Must be a minimum of 70% | | | | | | | |  |
| ECU Course  Please note you must be enrolled in a Bachelor’s Degree or Bachelor Honour’s Degree to be eligible | | | |  | | | | |
| Police Check: I consent to ECU undertaking a police check on my behalf | | | | Yes  No | | | | |
| Why are you applying for the NCP Scholarship? | | | | | | | | |
| Proposed Scholarship Program  Please note: Students must undertake a full-time study program for which they will receive full credit at their Home University towards their Bachelor’s Degree or Bachelor Honour’s Degree. | | | Mandatory Study Component - What is your intended program and is it 1 or 2 semesters in 2024? *(eg Exchange Place with University X studying Engineering (unit Y) in Semester 2 2022)* | | | | | |
| Internship/Mentorship | | | | | |
| Language Component | | | | | |
| Where do you intend to take up the scholarship?  *Scholarship Programs can be conducted in the following 40 Indo-Pacific Host Locations: Bangladesh, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, China, Cook Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, French Polynesia, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Kiribati, Laos, Malaysia, Maldives, Marshall Islands, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nauru, Nepal, New Caledonia, Niue, Pakistan, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Samoa, Singapore, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Timor-Leste, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Vietnam*.  Primary Location:  Secondary location (if applicable):  Note: Scholars may apply to undertake their study and/or Internship component in more than one eligible Host Location and/or Host Institution/Organisation, where it adds meaningful value to the core Scholarship Program. Where the Scholarship Program is undertaken in more than one location, the Scholar must nominate a primary location on their application form | | | | | | | | |
| **Please list details of the Host Institution(s).**  ECU has exchange partnerships with several universities throughout the Indo-Pacific. For a full list, please see the Student Exchange [webpage](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/student/my-studies/study-opportunities/study-overseas/exchange/where-can-i-go). If selecting one of these universities for your NCP Scholarship application, you will also need to complete an application for Student Exchange. More details can be found [here](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/student/my-studies/study-opportunities/study-overseas/exchange/applying).  Please note you can choose a university which ECU is not partnered with.  Host Institution(s) Country:  Name of Institution(s): | | | | | | | | |

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| **Assessment Criteria**  Please provide a brief statement in response to each of the four criteria below. |
| 1. **Academic excellence at the tertiary level (25 per cent weighting)**   Assessment of this criterion will relate to the applicant’s demonstrated higher-order cognitive skills, creativity, innovation, communication skills, problem-solving skills and critical thinking skills in their university study. Applicants may also draw on academic achievements such as academic awards and commendations, publications, or other examples of academic excellence at the tertiary level. High school academic achievements will not be considered. |
| 1. **Leadership in the community (25 per cent weighting)**   Assessment of this criterion will relate to the applicant’s demonstrated leadership and engagement in the community, including in volunteer and not-for-profit roles, employment and/or other activities they have undertaken locally, nationally, overseas and/or at their university. Applicants should provide an example of a leadership role they have undertaken. |
| 1. **Adaptability and Resilience (25 per cent weighting)**   Assessment of this criterion will relate to the applicant’s demonstrated ability to adapt to change and thrive in a different environment, and their resilience in the face of challenges. |
| 1. **Ability to contribute to New Colombo Plan goals (25 per cent weighting)**   Assessment of this criterion will relate to the applicant’s demonstrated understanding of the strategic objective and outcomes of the NCP program, and how the applicant and their proposed scholarship program would contribute to the NCP strategic objective and outcomes, including on return to Australia. |

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| Important: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence under the *Criminal Code Act 1995*  **Declaration:** I declare that the information I have supplied on this form and in associated attachments is complete, true and correct, to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if any information is found to be incorrect, my application may be cancelled.  Please be aware that your personal information will be disclosed to the Department of Education and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade for the purposes of the New Colombo Plan Scholarship Program. Please read the privacy section (13.3) of the 2024 NCP Scholarship Guidelines.  **I give my consent** to Edith Cowan University to use and/or disclose my application and all supporting documents to the external scholarship provider for the purpose of shortlisting and selection.  Signature: Date: |
| **Course Coordinator Endorsement:**  Name: Signature:  School:  Units to be undertaken (if known): |