Ramsay Postgraduate Scholarships

Valued at up to AUD$85,000 p.a.

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Are you a future leader contemplating the transformative experience of postgraduate study abroad?

Leading Australian businessman and philanthropist Paul Ramsay AO (1936–2014) wanted to support outstanding, imaginative, thoughtful young Australians like you on their postgraduate journey.

If you are accepted into a graduate program abroad at a world-leading university and are committed to advancing a richer and deeper understanding of our civilisation, you could be eligible for one of the most generous scholarships currently on offer in Australia.
About Paul Ramsay

Paul Ramsay AO (1936-2014) was a leading Australian businessman and philanthropist. He founded Ramsay Healthcare, now one of the world’s largest private hospital operators. He was also a regional television pioneer, building stations that today form the Prime Television Network.

Throughout his life Paul was known as ‘a man for others’ who always wanted to give back to his country and fellow Australians. He was profoundly grateful for his life opportunities and often reflected on the influences that had shaped Australia. He saw our nation as one of many that had benefited from being part of the long continuum of Western civilisation. In particular, he wanted younger Australians to appreciate and value this heritage, and to take the lead in passing it on to others.

These scholarships, in his name, help outstanding, thoughtful, and imaginative young Australians – our future leaders – to do just that, by supporting them to pursue graduate study at the world’s best overseas universities.
Scholarship Categories

Our scholarships are some of the most generous currently on offer in Australia. They support one, two and, in select cases, three years of coursework and/or research.

There are two main types of scholarship available:

1. **World Universities Ramsay Postgraduate Scholarship** (Value of AUD$85,000 p.a.)
2. **St John’s College, Annapolis, Master of Liberal Arts Scholarship and Washington DC Internship Program** (Value of AUD$60,000 p.a. for two years)

Applicants in both categories will need to be Australian citizens or permanent residents, and have secured a place in a relevant graduate program abroad before finalising their application.

Up to 15 scholarships will be awarded in 2021. From 2022 onward, up to 25 scholarships a year may be awarded, with the majority awarded in category 1.
World Universities Scholarship

The experience of studying abroad at some of the world’s most coveted academic institutions is an experience like no other.

Our benefactor Paul Ramsay wanted to support young Australian leaders in their pursuit of this opportunity, so they could realise their goals and make their own unique contribution to Australian society.

Our World Universities Ramsay Postgraduate Scholarship supports young Australians to undertake graduate study at the world’s best universities (e.g. Oxford, Cambridge, UCL, Harvard, Princeton, Bologna etc.) for one, two and, in select cases, three years of graduate coursework and/or research.

Levels of support are fully competitive with the Rhodes, John Monash, Fulbright and other major scholarships.

Value: AUD$85,000 p.a.

The scholarship covers living and tuition fees and other related expenses.

Students applying for the scholarship will need to have secured a place in a graduate program abroad before finalising their application.
St John’s College, Annapolis, Scholarship

Are you ready to embark on a world-class education that will push you to think with some of history’s most brilliant philosophers, poets, and scientists?

At St. John’s, great books—and great discussions—are the heart of the college’s distinctive liberal arts program. By reading great books and struggling together with the fundamental questions that they raise, students and teachers learn from their differences and discover more deeply their shared humanity. Students leave St John’s intelligently and critically appreciative of their common heritage and well equipped to master the specific skills of any calling.

Our Ramsay scholarship supports up to six Australians a year to:
- undertake the Master of Arts in the Liberal Arts at St John’s, focusing on great books of the western canon
- participate in an internship program in an area of interest in Washington D.C.

Value: AUD$60,000 p.a. for two years

The scholarship covers living, tuition fees and other related expenses.

St John’s is situated in Annapolis, an idyllic sea-side colonial city founded in 1649 that is capital of the state of Maryland and the original capital of the US.

Scholars will have opportunities to participate in a Washington DC internship. St. John’s College will assign a mentor to assist scholars individually to secure internships in their unique areas of interest.

For further questions please contact Loren Rotner, Special Assistant to the President, St. John’s College, Annapolis (loren.rotner@sjc.edu).
Selection Criteria

Our Ramsay scholars will be selected on the basis of:

- Strength of character, leadership qualities, commitment to serve others
- Outstanding academic achievement
- Commitment to advancing a richer and deeper understanding of our civilisation

To apply:

1. May-Dec 2020 Express your interest in the Ramsay Postgraduate Scholarship or ask any questions by emailing postgrad@ramsaycentre.org
2. Sep 2020- Jan 2021 Commence and finalise your application for overseas study with the institution of your choice.
3. 1 Feb – 31 March 2021 Commence your scholarship application via our website. Applications close 31 March 2021.

The Ramsay Centre will consider applications from students who have already commenced graduate study abroad by the time of the 2021 scholarship round.

More detailed selection criteria and application information is available on our website.