MRIWA Scholarship Program  
Application

2026 Scholarships

# MRIWA 2026 Scholarship Program Application

### Instructions for submission

Applicants are to complete the application and submit via email to [scholarships@mriwa.wa.gov.au](mailto:scholarships@mriwa.wa.gov.au) before 11:59pm (AWST) Tuesday 30 September 2025.

To ensure your application can be deemed eligible for assessment please ensure you:

* Complete all fields within the specified word limit
* Submit before the deadline (no late applications will be accepted)
* Sign and date the signature page of the application
* Provide responses in English.

### Attachments

It is important to ensure that you attach all required documents with your application submission. It is preferred that all attachments are provided in PDF format, with the date, name of applicant and type of document included in the file name. Application documents provided as a ZIP file will be accepted.

Applications and any required attachments received after the application close date will deem your application ineligible, unless you have received prior written permission from MRIWA for a late submission.

Attachments to be included with your application include:

* Evidence of application, enrolment or admission to the host university
* Evidence of suitable English language test results (if required)
* Signed endorsement letters from the proposed host university supervisor(s)
* Evidence of academic achievements including transcripts and certified translations (if required).

### MRIWA Indigenous Postgraduate Research Scholarship

For applicants requesting consideration for the MRIWA Indigenous Postgraduate Research Scholarship please ensure appropriate evidence of their Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status is provided. This may include confirmation of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status under the common seal of a community organisation. Where exceptional circumstances apply, statutory declarations and other forms of documentation may be considered. Original or certified copies of supporting documentation must be provided.

### MRIWA Scholarship Program Guidelines for Applicants

Please refer to the MRIWA Scholarship Program Guidelines for Applicants for more information regarding scholarship types, timelines, the MRIWA Education and Workforce Program, the selection criteria and expectations of MRIWA Scholars.

## Section A – Applicant details

1. Applicant name

*Surname/family name*

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*Given name(s)*

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*Preferred name for correspondence*

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1. Citizenship

*Provide your country of citizenship, noting any dual or multiple citizenships.*

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1. Aboriginal Status

*Select your aboriginal status. Only applicants who are Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander can apply for the MRIWA Indigenous Scholarship.*

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1. Contact Details

*Please provide contact details for correspondence relating to the application.*

*Current country of residence*

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*Mobile telephone number (including international code if required)*

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*Email address*

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1. Visa status

*Provide your Visa status at the time of application.*

*For citizens of countries with reciprocal work and residency agreements (i.e. some Commonwealth countries) use 'Visa not required- Australian Resident'.*

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1. English language requirements

*Is English your primary language?*

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*Have you graduated from a degree course at an Australian university?*

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*If you have answered no to both questions, please attach evidence of your IELTS (or equivalent) English language scores. You must ensure you meet the minimum language requirements for admission at the host university.*

1. Previous applications

*Have you previously applied for a MRIWA scholarship?*

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*If yes, or you have any other engagement with MRIWA through a research project or other, please state the details of your application or your engagement with MRIWA below (maximum 150 words).*

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## Section B – Qualifications and experience

1. Academic qualifications

*Outline below your academic qualifications. Please note you must provide evidence of your academic qualifications by providing transcripts including official translations (where relevant).*

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| **Qualification type (i.e. Bachelor)** | **Qualification Specialisation**  **(i.e. Chemical Engineering)** | **Degree awarding institution (name of the university qualification was received)** | **Awarding institution country** |
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1. Research publications

*Please include the details of any academic research publications you have authored. Where possible provide the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) issued for the publication (maximum 300 words - if more space is required, please provide details in an attachment).*

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1. Relevant professional experience

*Please outline any professional experience that is relevant to your proposed research including paid and unpaid work, awards and professional memberships (maximum 300 words - if more space is required, please provide details in an attachment).*

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## Section C – Scholarship details

1. MRIWA scholarship(s)

*Please select the scholarship option(s) you are applying for. To verify which scholarship you are eligible for please refer to the Guidelines for Applicants.*

MRIWA Odwyn Jones PhD Scholarship

MRIWA PhD Scholarship for Women

MRIWA PhD Scholarship

MRIWA Indigenous Postgraduate Research Scholarship

1. Study full time equivalent (FTE) rate

*MRIWA supports flexibility in conditions of work and study for both full time and part time equivalent enrolments. Please indicate your FTE rate.*

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1. Personal statement

*Provide information outlining your career and personal ambitions as well as your suitability for inclusion in the MRIWA Education and Workforce Program. This includes outlining how you align with the MRIWA values and demonstrating your commitment to engaging with the MRIWA professional development program (maximum 400 words).*

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## Section D – Host University

1. Proposed host university

*The Western Australian university at which you are undertaking or have applied for the postgraduate research degree program.*

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1. University faculty, school, or department at which the research will be undertaken

*The name of the faculty, school or department within the host university where you will undertake your research (please use full name).*

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1. Degree type

*Degree for which you are enrolled or have applied.*

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1. Status of studies

*State if you have already commenced studies or if you have applied.*

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*If you have selected a status of Commenced provide the commencement date of your studies.*

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1. Proposed academic supervisor(s)

*All proposed academic supervisors must give consent to their inclusion in this application and provide a separate signed endorsement of the research proposal.*

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| **Supervisor type (i.e. primary, secondary)** | **Title (i.e. Doctor, Professor, Mr, Ms)** | **First name** | **Surname/Family name** | **University / Organisation name** |
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## Section E – Research Proposal

1. Research proposal title

*Provide the research proposal title as submitted to the host university (maximum 150-characters).*

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1. Research proposal overview

*Provide a brief overview of the intended aims and approach of the project. This information may be used for communication and reporting activities by MRIWA (maximum 50 words).*

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1. Research problem to be addressed

*Describe the identified knowledge or the technology need to be addressed through this research. This may be a problem, gap or opportunity within the minerals sector. Be specific and include information on the scale of need, stakeholders affected and any economic, environmental and/or social impacts resulting from the challenge or issue (maximum 150 words).*

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1. Research objectives

*Describe the specific aims of the research and what it intends to achieve, prove or develop, and include a clear statement of hypotheses to be tested (maximum 150 words).*

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## Section F – Alignment to MRIWA objectives

1. Alignment to MRIWA Research Priority Plan

*The research proposal is required to align to a Program and a Theme from the MRIWA* [*Research Priority Plan*](https://www.mriwa.wa.gov.au/research-funding/research-priorities/)*. Select the Program and Theme the proposed research most closely aligns with.*

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*Demonstrate how your research aligns to the program and theme (maximum 200 words).*

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1. Alignment to MRIWA Focus Area

*The research proposal is required to align to a focus area from the current MRIWA* [*Focus Areas*](https://www.mriwa.wa.gov.au/minerals-research-advancing-western-australia/focus-areas/)*. Select the focus area which the proposed work most closely aligns with.*

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*Demonstrate how your research aligns to the focus area (maximum 200 words).*

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## Section G – Research benefits and methodology

1. Benefit to Western Australia

*Demonstrate how the research will provide economic, environmental and/or social benefit to Western Australia (maximum 150 words).*

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1. Research methodology

*Describe the technical design or methodology to be used, making it clear how the activities will lead to the anticipated research outcomes. Be specific and provide details on experimental design, methods, tools and techniques to be used (maximum 500 words - If a figure is required, attach as a PDF file).*

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1. Research plan

*Provide an outline of the work to be completed, including relevant milestones (maximum 500 words - If a figure is required, attach as a PDF file).*

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1. Research timeline

*Complete the GANTT chart below to indicate the timeline of research and milestones. If your research will be undertaken part time, please provide timeline as an attachment.*

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1. References

*List references cited in this research proposal (500 words or provide as an attachment if required).*

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## Section H - Supporting documentation

All documentation must be submitted in English. Where original documents are in another language, they must be translated into English by an accredited translator, and the translation must bear evidence of this accreditation.

Any application that does not meet the eligibility criteria will be deemed ineligible.

### Eligibility

Application for a MRIWA scholarship must satisfy the following:

The application form is complete and submitted in English

All supporting documentation is in English, or accredited translations have been provided of any original documents which are in a language other than English

The Applicant meets the stated English proficiency requirements, or IELTS or equivalent documentation is included

Required attachments

Evidence the applicant is registered for or has applied for a relevant postgraduate research degree program at a Western Australian university

Scanned or electronic copies of academic transcripts

Signed endorsement of the research proposal by all proposed supervisors

For applicants for the MRIWA Indigenous Postgraduate Research Scholarship – evidence of Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander status

### Certification of Application

I, the applicant, certify I have prepared this application myself and all information provided is truthful.

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