Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation Scholarship in the Humanities

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Introduction

The Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation Scholarship in the Humanities is one of the most generous undergraduate scholarships in Australia and has been established through a $35 million donation from the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation.

Starting in 2027 it will provide substantial financial and academic support to high-achieving domestic students who are enrolled in a bachelor's degree within the Faculty of Arts and are undertaking a major in History, Philosophy, Art History, Classics, Ancient World Studies or English and Theatre Studies. Recognition will be given to students who are also studying a related language either as a Diploma or as a major or minor in the Bachelor of Arts. Successful applicants may extend the scholarship to cover select further study beyond the Bachelor of Arts.

Before applying for this scholarship please visit this page for eligibility and selection criteria.

A number of the scholarships will be awarded with preference given to students meeting the eligibility criteria who are Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander students and/or experiencing disadvantaged circumstances.

To be considered for this scholarship, you must submit an application via this online application portal in SmartyGrants. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to interview with the selection panel.

Your details

Name *

First Name | Last Name

Student Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Personal Email Address *

Must be an email address.

Preferred contact number *

Are you an Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander student?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ I'm not sure

Have you been assessed by the University of Melbourne as experiencing disadvantaged circumstances?
○ Yes
○ No
○ I'm not sure

About your studies

Student ID Number *

Must be a number.

You are only eligible for this scholarship if you have, or will have by the end of 2026, completed 100 points of your degree, and are commencing the next 100 points and entering into your second year of study in 2027. *
○ I am eligible

Course name *
○ Bachelor of Arts
This scholarship is only open to students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts

Eligibility check

Please read the criteria below and confirm that you are eligible for this scholarship.

To be eligible for this scholarship, you must:

- be an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident
- have completed the first year (100 points) of the Bachelor of Arts
- be intending to undertake a major in History, Philosophy, Art History, Classics, Ancient World Studies or English and Theatre Studies

A minimum WAM of 80 at the end of first year (100 points) of the Bachelor of Arts is required to be eligible. It is recognised that at the point of application you may not know this WAM. This information will be added to your application form and your application will only proceed if your WAM is at least 80.

Based on your current knowledge, are you eligible for this scholarship? *
☐ Yes, I am
☐ No, I am not
If you did not tick the appropriate box you will not be able to submit an application for this scholarship

Application

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Please provide brief answers to the questions below. If you are shortlisted, these are the questions you will be asked in your interview and you will have the opportunity to elaborate on your answers.

What major are you planning to study, and why? What do you see as its value? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

What do you find interesting about the humanities, and how do you conceptualise the humanities' relationship to broad Western intellectual traditions? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

How are your academic and career goals related to community service and leadership, and how have you demonstrated such service and leadership? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

Tell us about an essay you wrote in your first year that you are particularly proud of. What made you feel proud of it? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

Please upload a copy of the essay *
Attach a file:

Please attach as a pdf

How would receiving this scholarship further your academic and career ambitions? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

Languages

Recognition is given to applicants who are studying a language related to their intended major.

Are you studying a languages/languages as part of a major, minor or Diploma in Languages? *
- ○ Yes
- ○ No

If yes, do you see a relation between this/these language/s and your intended major in History, Philosophy, Art History, Classics, Ancient World Studies or English and Theatre Studies? How would you describe this connection?

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

Agreement, Acknowledgment and Privacy Statement

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Agreement

By clicking "I agree" and submitting this application you confirm the following:

- I've read and understood the conditions of the scholarship
- I confirm that that the information which I have provided in this form is true, correct and complete.
- I agree that this is a binding declaration and that the Faculty or University may request information to verify this information.

Agreement *
- ○ I agree

Acknowledgment

I acknowledge that the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation Scholarship in the Humanities is philanthropically supported by the Ramsay Centre for Western

Civilisation, whose mission is to promote the study and discussion of the Western intellectual tradition. *
○ Yes

Name *
First Name Last Name

Date *
Must be a date.

Privacy statement

The information in this form is being collected by the Faculty of Arts at the University of Melbourne for the purpose of selection, administration and evaluation within the awards program.

You may access any personal information you have provided on this form by contacting artsawards-info@unimelb.edu.au.

The information you provide will be used by authorised University staff and contracted service providers for the purpose for which it was collected. It will not be transferred outside Australia unless to an entity operating under equivalent privacy obligations. We will not disclose your personal information to anybody else unless you have given consent, or we are authorised or required to do so by law.

Your information will also be used by the Faculty of Arts for statistical analysis, in support of the continuous improvement of the awards program. This includes quality assurance and planning purposes.

We will retain your personal information only for as long as required for the purpose it was collected and in accordance with our legislative obligations. This information is then securely destroyed in accordance with the University's retention and disposal authority.

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Feedback

Where did you hear about this scholarship?
☐ The University of Melbourne Scholarship webpage
☐ Google search
☐ Newsletter
☐ My lecturer/tutor
☐ Word of mouth
☐ Social Media

☐ Admissions officer/ professional staff ☐ Student Portal ☐ Other: