

R. G. MENZIES SCHOLARSHIP TO HARVARD

REFEREE REPORT FORM



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Referee Report Form for the 2021/22 Menzies Scholarship

The Menzies Scholarships to Harvard University are Australia's most prestigious national awards for postgraduate study in the United States.

The candidate has named you as one of three referees in support of their scholarship application. Two of the three referees are asked to verify the candidate's academic and/or professional capabilities and potential, and one referee is asked to give insight into the candidate's personal qualities and role in the wider community.

The Selection Committee is seeking Menzies Scholars who have the potential to make a contribution to Australia and for whom a course of study at a graduate school of Harvard would contribute to that end. The Selection Committee is particularly interested to receive your comments on the candidate's qualities of intellect, leadership and breadth of vision. (Please refer to the Notes For Referees overleaf).

Please complete your details below and attach a typed statement of up to two A4 pages
(preferably on your institution/organisation letterhead) and email to:

philanthropic.scholarships@anu.edu.au

by 9:00am Monday 8th March 2021

Candidate Details

Candidate to complete their own details before passing to their referee.

Title, Family Name:	
Broad Field of Study:	
Course Applied For At Harvard:	

Referee Details

Title and Full Name	
Institution/Organisation:	
Position:	
Phone Number:	
Signature:	
Date:	

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Selection Criteria for Candidates

Competition for the Menzies Scholarships is extremely competitive and candidates selected for interview are of outstanding quality.

To be considered for the Menzies Scholarship, candidates must have completed a Degree with Honours (or equivalent) at an Australian university or other recognised Australian tertiary institution and:

- be an Australian citizen, or have permanent resident status, and normally reside in Australia;
- intend to return to Australia after completing their studies or to directly represent Australia overseas;
- have not previously undertaken a postgraduate degree course at a United States university.

Candidates must also have applied to the Harvard graduate school of their choice, and either been accepted or be confident about meeting its admission requirements and deadlines.

Candidates must also address these criteria:

- qualities of intellect - as demonstrated through academic achievement and likely benefit from study at a Harvard graduate school;
- qualities of leadership - as demonstrated by prominence in their chosen field or by involvement in, for example, community affairs;
- breadth of vision - as evidenced by the way they look at their present or intended profession in relation to its contribution to Australia.

There is no specific weighting for these criteria and the Selection Committee considers all fields of study. Mid-career applicants will also be assessed against an appropriate level of achievement.

Referees

Candidates are asked to provide the names and contact details of three referees who have agreed to support their application. At least two referees should be qualified to comment with knowledge of the candidate's academic and/or professional merit and capacity for higher degree study. One referee should provide a personal reference and this could be someone who can comment on the candidate's personal qualities and role in the wider community.

Candidates need to supply their referees with a copy of the Referee Report Form. The University does not seek reports on behalf of candidates.

Selection Process and Interviews

The Selection Committee is appointed by the Vice-Chancellor of The Australian National University and the Harvard Club of Australia and comprises representatives from each. Its membership broadly reflects all fields of academic endeavour.

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