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Press Release

MALAYSIA AUSTRALIA COLOMBO PLAN COMMEMORATION (MACC) SCHOLARSHIPS 2008

Launched in October 2001, the MACC Scholarships build on the spirit of the Colombo Plan, which enabled some 4,000 young Malaysians to study in Australia from the early 1950s until the mid 1980s.

The MACC Scholarships take the Colombo Plan a step further by providing for a two-way exchange of scholars between Malaysia and Australia. The scholarships include full or partial waivers of tuition fees and are offered to Malaysian and Australian students to undertake their tertiary education at universities and institutions of higher learning in each other's countries.

The MACC Scholarship Program is spearheaded by The Malaysian Australian Alumni Council (The MAAC) an umbrella organization for Australian university alumni in Malaysia, and IDP Education Australia Pty Ltd (Malaysia) administrates Australia-bound scholarships.

The MACC Scholarships was established with the objectives of;

- creating new education initiatives building on the aspirations and sentiment of the original Colombo Plan;
- encouraging a two-way flow of scholars between Malaysia and Australia;
- promoting Australian and Malaysian universities and institutions of higher learning, as well as their scholarships, bursaries, grants etc; and
- to enhance and strengthen bilateral ties between Malaysia and Australia.

Since its launch, the MACC has successfully seen more than 90 scholarships of students going to Australia and students coming to Malaysia.

Application is now open for the 2008 round, with nine participating Australian universities offering various scholarships for Malaysian applicants.

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AUSTRALIA-BOUND MACC SCHOLARSHIPS ON OFFER FOR 2008

NO	UNIVERSITY	REQUIREMENTS	CLOSING DATE
1	University of Ballarat	2 partial fee scholarships (25% of the tuition fees ONLY) for any undergraduate or postgraduate (coursework only) course in 2008.	20 December 2007
2	Macquarie University	1 full fee scholarship per annum for commencement in Semester 1, 2008. For either undergraduate or postgraduate (excluding MGSM, Master of Accounting and MAF programs).	31 October 2007
3	La Trobe University	1 full fee scholarship for any undergraduate degree program including study abroad.	11 January 2008
4	University of Newcastle	1 partial fee scholarship (50%) for Bachelor of Business (majoring in HRM, International Business, Marketing, Management or Tourism) & Bachelor of Commerce (majoring in Accounting, Economics & Finance).	31 October 2007
5	The University of Queensland	100% tuition fee scholarship for the Bachelor of Economics, Master of Business Economics, Master of International Economics & Finance and Master of Health Economics for Semester 1, 2008 for undergraduate or graduate.	23 November 2007 (Undergraduate) 31 October 2007 (Postgraduate)
6	The University of Queensland Foundation Year	10 partial scholarships for University Of Queensland Foundation Year or Certificate IV in University Preparation for Semester 2, 2008.	9 December 2007
7	University Technology of Sydney	3 partial fee scholarships – 2 (two) merit scholarships and 1(one) open scholarship for Bachelor of Business program for 2008.	31 October 2007 (ONLY for Taylors College students)
8	University of Sunshine Coast	3 partial fee scholarships for any undergraduate program that does not involve a practicum. For semester 1 & semester 2, in 2008.	14 December 2007 (Semester 1,2008) 30 April 2008 (Semester 2, 2008)
9	James Cook University	1 full fee subsidy scholarship for PHD research program for science students ONLY for semester 1 & 2, in 2008.	31 October 2007 (Semester 1,2008) 30 April 2008 (Semester 2, 2008)

Terms and Conditions to apply for all scholarships mentioned above.

Register your expression of interest online at www.emaac.org or email pratima.sharma@idp.com

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Date : Saturday, 20 October 2007

Time : 11am to 4pm

Venue : Puteri Pacific Hotel, Johor Bahru

Date : Sunday, 21 October 2007

Time : 12noon to 5pm

Venue : Traders Hotel, Penang

Date : Monday, 22 October 2007

Time : 1pm to 5pm

Venue : Syuen Hotel, Ipoh

Date : Tuesday & Wednesday, 23 & 24 October 2007

Time : 11am to 4pm

Venue : IDP Subang Jaya

Date : Tuesday, 30 October 2007

Time : 11am to 4pm

Venue : IDP Kota Kinabalu

Date : Wednesday, 31 October 2007

Time : 11am to 4pm

Venue : IDP Kuching

Please note that MAAC and IDP Education Pty Ltd have no control over the decision of an academic institution to accept or reject your application, and we are not liable for any decision an academic institution makes about your application.