



## An Australian Government initiative

**Destination Australia scholarships are an initiative of the Australian government to promote the advantages of living, studying and working in regional areas. TAFE NSW has an opportunity for interested students to apply for a scholarship to undertake the Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care (CHC50113) at Orange TAFE Campus in central west NSW.**

### WHAT DOES THE SCHOLARSHIP PROVIDE?

Successful applicants are able to receive \$15,000 per year of study to support them in their studies and the cost of living in the regional area. The Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care is an 18 month program and attracts 2 year scholarship funds to the value of \$30,000, provided you undertake study of the full qualification.

**Note:** Should an applicant have completed previous studies in a similar discipline, this may reduce the amount of scholarship funds payable if it reduces the amount of class attendance required to complete the Diploma.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for a scholarship, you must:

- Meet required citizenship criteria for enrolment in TAFE NSW as:
  - An Australian citizen
  - A New Zealand citizen
  - An Australian Permanent Resident, or
  - A Humanitarian Visa Holder
- Be a new student commencing in the specified course in 2020
- Be able to **attend full time classes** of approximately 20 hours per week as well as complete 240 hours of work placement
- Live in or near Orange NSW for the duration of the course
- Be able to meet the course entry requirements and pay any upfront associated fees (see accompanying course information brochure)
- Participate in the course as required including class attendance, additional study, work placement and completion of assignments and assessments.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

The Destination Australia Scholarship Application Form is available from the TAFE NSW website on the following link: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/enrol/payment-funding/scholarships/destination-australia-scholarship>

Please make sure you read the Terms and Conditions on the webpage before submitting your application.

## HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE TO FIND OUT IF I HAVE BEEN GRANTED A SCHOLARSHIP?

Successful applicants will be notified via email within 2 weeks of the closing date. This round of scholarships closes on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September at 5.00pm.

## WHEN WILL I BE PAID THE SCHOLARSHIP MONEY?

If you are eligible for the full 2 years value, the scholarship will be split into 2 equal payments of \$15,000 each and paid direct to your bank account. The first payment will be made shortly after you begin your studies with the second payment in approximately 12 months' time.

Once the course has commenced on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2020, TAFE NSW will then verify that you:

- Have finalised your enrolment in the course
- Commenced your studies and are attending classes
- Have provided a local address in or near Orange, NSW
- Have provided your bank account details

After successful verification of the above, TAFE NSW will then generate a direct deposit to your bank account. You should have access to the money within 3-4 weeks of course commencement in October for the 2020 payment.

The second payment for 2021 studies will be made after Term 4 classes commence in October 2021 and the above verifications have again been made.

## HOW CAN I FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION?

You can contact the Destination Australia team at [DestinationAustralia@tafensw.edu.au](mailto:DestinationAustralia@tafensw.edu.au) if you have any enquiries regarding the scholarships.

For information on the Diploma of Early Childhood Education and Care course, please contact 131 601.

