RURAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

# Background

### The Victorian Government has launched the *Excellence in Teacher Education* reforms to improve the quality of teaching in Victoria.

There are many pathways for gaining entry into teaching degrees, ensuring prospective candidates from diverse backgrounds and life stages have the opportunity to pursue a career in teaching, without compromising the quality of their preparation as teachers.

The Victorian Government is offering scholarships to eligible candidates from rural Victoria to support rural Victorians to undertake a high quality course that leads to an initial teacher education qualification.

# What is available

Scholarships are available for rural candidates commencing an alternative pathway course that leads to an initial teacher education qualification.

A limited number of scholarships are also available for rural candidates commencing a postgraduate initial teacher education qualification.

# Who can apply?

To be eligible for support, applicants must:

* live in rural Victoria
* be enrolled in a course that provides a pathway to an initial teacher education qualification **or** commencing a postgraduate initial teacher education qualification
* demonstrate an interest in working as a teacher in a Victorian government school

# How do I apply?

Information about how to apply and eligible courses is available at [Teaching Pathways](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/teachingpathways)

Round 2 2018

Applications open 5 February 2018

Applications close 16 March 2018

# For more information

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