

Nomination to the ASEAN - Australia One Health Fellowship Program

The ASEAN - Australia One Health Fellowship Program is pleased to invite nominations (including self-nominations) from eligible candidates in ASEAN Member States.

What is the ASEAN - Australia One Health Fellowship Program?

The ASEAN - Australia One Health Fellowship Program was established in 2021 at Murdoch University with funding from the Australian Government. The program aims to strengthen regional One Health technical capacity and coordination with an emphasis on supporting ASEAN's regional public health and health security agenda. It will support 40 One Health fellowships for eligible ASEAN member state officials with expertise in epidemiology, public health, animal health, environmental health, wildlife medicine, health economics, and biosecurity. Nineteen (19) Fellows were offered places in the first cohort of the fellowship programme and commenced in the 2022 academic year. The programme is now open for nominations for 21 new Fellows to commence in the 2023 academic year.

What does the Fellowship involve?

The ASEAN - Australia One Health Fellowship is a non-residential Fellowship for 2.5 years with an expected workload of 10 hours per week during the academic semester, plus research activities. This comprises three components:

- 1. Online training:** Fellows will
 - a. enrol in the postgraduate **Murdoch University Graduate Certificate in One Health** which comprises four units (classes) of study as offshore international students, with online delivery of course material and tutorials. Fellows will take one unit per Semester.
 - b. participate in at least three online 2-3 hour **Research Training Workshops** to develop methods and skills to examine and contextualise One Health considerations and requirements within their own country and across the ASEAN community. Workshops will introduce methods and tools used in One Health with themes including Public Administration Analysis, Legislation Analysis, Political Economy Analysis; Conducting a Synthetic Literature Review, Working and Writing Collectively as a Remote Team, Interpreting Surveillance, and Communication Skills.
- 2. Fellow's Mentorship Program:** linking Fellows with One Health Murdoch University academics to aid development, facilitate research training and engage the Fellow in the global Biosecurity and One Health community.
- 3. Hands-on research projects:** Each Fellow will participate in a research project to develop stocktakes of key considerations for the implementation of One Health principles in their own country under the supervision of a mentor. These research activities will include the opportunity to work collectively with other Fellows from the same ASEAN country as well as to share experiences across the ASEAN community.

Who is eligible to apply?

Government officials from ASEAN countries (citizens or permanent residents) working in policy areas relevant to One Health are eligible to apply. Applicants must meet the entry criteria for study at Murdoch University including:

- Bachelor degree or equivalent work experience; and
- Academic IELTS overall score of 6.0 with no band less than 6.0 or equivalent score in English proficiency tests accepted by Murdoch University (Further information on ways to demonstrate English proficiency is available here: <https://www.murdoch.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/entry-requirements>. Note that recent study at a University taught in English can be accepted).

In line with the program’s aims, preference will be given to eligible government officials who can demonstrate strong current or desired interest and engagement in One Health-related policy areas that may contribute to achieving ASEAN’s health security priorities.

In accordance with the Australian Government and Murdoch’s commitment to inclusivity, nominations from women, persons with disabilities and minority groups are encouraged.

While the fellowship will cover all tuition fees, candidates will require access to a computer and internet facilities at their own cost. Candidates must have computer literacy and access.

How to apply?

The application should include a completed Nomination form; a short Curriculum Vitae (4 pages); and a letter of support from your manager or Government Ministry. Nominations should be submitted by **30th September 2022** to ASEAN-AUS@murdoch.edu.au.

For any queries, please write to Dr Mieghan Bruce at Mieghan.Bruce@murdoch.edu.au; Dr Kirsty Bayliss at Kirsty.Bayliss@murdoch.edu.au; or Renata Fernandes Santos at Renata.FernandesSantos@murdoch.edu.au.

Next steps

1. The Nominations will be assessed and successful ASEAN - Australia One Health Fellows will be notified by **October 2022**.
2. Successful applicants must demonstrate compliance with English proficiency requirements by **November 2022**.
3. Mentors will be linked to Fellows and begin communications in **January 2023**.
4. Fellows will be provided further information to ensure enrolment in the Graduate Certificate in One Health is completed in a timely manner for start on **February 2023**.
5. During **February 2023** we will hold an online welcome and a Research Training Workshop.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Do I need to supply proof of my English proficiency with my application?

No, however you are strongly encouraged to do so. You will need to supply proof within 4-6 weeks if you are notified that your application is successful. Further information on ways to demonstrate English proficiency is available here: <https://www.murdoch.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/entry-requirements>

What is the minimum IELTS score required?

Academic IELTS overall score of 6.0 with no band less than 6.0 (note that recent study at a university taught in English can be accepted).

I do not have the funds to sit an IELTS test, is there an alternative?

Murdoch University offers a number of options to demonstrate English competency <https://www.murdoch.edu.au/study/how-to-apply/entry-requirements/english-proficiency-tests>. If you would like more information, please contact ASEAN-AUS@murdoch.edu.au.

I do not work for a government organisation, am I still eligible to apply?

Yes

I work for a university which is considered a public position in my country, am I eligible?

In some instances, university employees may be eligible, please contact us for more information ASEAN-AUS@murdoch.edu.au.

I have a learning disability; will this affect my application?

No, in accordance with the Australian Government and Murdoch's commitment to inclusivity, nominations from women, persons with disabilities and minority groups are encouraged.

Are there any fees that I need to pay?

The fellowship will cover all tuition fees, candidates will require access to a computer and internet facilities at their own cost. Candidates must have computer literacy and access.

Do I need to travel to Australia to participate?

No, all activities will be conducted online, or within the ASEAN region.

How much time do I need to dedicate to the Fellowship?

A minimum of 10 hours per week is recommended for the coursework during semester, plus research components. You are also required to participate in at least three online research training workshops of 2-3 hours duration.

How do I know who will be my mentor?

Mentors and Fellows will have the opportunity to meet during an introductory online meeting.

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Nomination Form



Title and Name: _____

Nationality: _____

Current Position/Role: _____

Nominating Institution: _____

Contact Details (address, email and telephone): _____

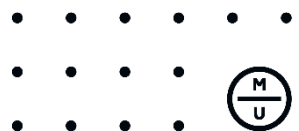
Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

Do you identify as having any disabilities? _____

Highest Academic Qualification: _____

English Proficiency (include name of test):

Reading: _____ Written: _____ Spoken: _____



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1. Should your application be successful, how will participation in the ASEAN-Australia One Health Fellowship advance your career or personal objectives? (max 300 words)

2. How does, or will, your experience and/or current role contribute to advancing One Health approaches in your home country or region? (max 300 words)

3. Please outline any relevant experience and/or active engagement with ASEAN bodies relevant to One Health? (e.g., Ministerial Meetings, Senior Official Meetings, technical working groups, coordinating centres, and/or ASEAN Secretariat etc.) (max 300 words)

