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What is a Churchill Fellowship?

A Churchill Fellowship offers Australian citizens a life-changing opportunity to travel overseas for four to eight weeks to learn more about a topic or issue that they are passionate about. As an internationally recognised award, recipients gain access to expertise from around the world.

Applicants are empowered to design their own projects to explore international best practice and innovation that can be applied in Australia.

There is a high level of visibility and credibility associated with being a Churchill Fellow, as well as a responsibility to share the knowledge and skills gained overseas with the Australian community.

It is a competitive process, with more than 100 Churchill Fellowships awarded around Australia every year.

Air travel, in-country transportation, accommodation and living expenses are included in a Churchill Fellowship.



Who can apply?

Churchill Fellowships are awarded to people from all walks of life. We encourage applications from all sectors of the community and in any field or topic of interest.

Only Australian citizens are eligible to apply. No academic qualifications are required. A Churchill Fellowship cannot be used to assist with completion of tertiary study.

How can I apply?

Applications open in February and close at the end of April. Two references are required to provide supporting information about the applicant and the project topic or issue.

Apply online at churchillfellowships.com.au

How are applications assessed?

Applications are assessed by experts from a range of disciplines who sit on advisory panels and selection committees in each state and territory.

Following assessment of all online applications and supporting references, short-listed applicants are invited to attend an interview.

Recommended applicants from each state and territory are then considered by the Board of The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust to determine the successful applicants.

Tips on how to strengthen your application can be found on our website at **churchilltrust.com.au/faq**

What benefits do Churchill Fellowships offer Australia?

Churchill Fellows are making a difference every day in all aspects of Australian life, across an incredibly broad and diverse range of issues such as agriculture, health, arts and music, building and architecture, business, sport, science, environment and more.

The benefit to the Australian community comes from the ability of Churchill Fellows to inspire change at a local level by applying and adapting the knowledge they gained overseas. This can be through developing new guidelines, policies or practices; introducing new techniques, methods or technologies to a particular industry; engaging with communities; or starting or growing a business.

All Churchill Fellows must share their findings freely with the Australian community. This can be through a range of ways including written reports, presentations, multi-media or other forms of public engagement.

What benefits do Churchill Fellowships offer employers?

There are many benefits for employers, particularly if an employee is awarded a Churchill Fellowship on a topic of direct relevance to the organisation:

- build your international networks and research
- encourage innovation
- develop organisational capability
- tap into the Australian network of Churchill Fellows.

Many employers encourage their employees to apply for a Churchill Fellowship to explore topics that are strategically important to Australia, as well as provide additional support such as leave and access to the leadership team to shape project aims or to discuss findings.

The success of the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust is seen through the achievements of our Fellows

Churchill Fellows, like their projects, are diverse but they do have two things in common: passion and drive to make a difference. You too could become a part of a strong and influential community of change-makers.



Belinda Cook

Churchill Fellowship to research the growing global Indigenous fashion industry to support a Kimberley textile industry.

Belinda's Fellowship has created economic development opportunities for Indigenous Australian artists to work with leaders in the fashion design field. The limited edition Gorman clothing collection now features works by a select group of WA's Mangkaja Arts Resource Agency senior artists.



Caine Chennatt

Churchill Fellowship to investigate inclusion and access programs for people with disabilities to engage with the arts.

When Caine returned from his Fellowship, he instigated and launched Inclusive Arts Week, a week-long celebration of inclusive arts programs, the highlight of which was a commissioned performance and installation produced and created by Grace King, an artist and singer living with blindness.



Megan Gilmour

Churchill Fellowship to investigate education system models for maintaining school connection for seriously sick children.

Megan's Fellowship lay the foundation for a 3 year pilot program to place telepresence robots in Australian schools demonstrating that continuous two-way connection is possible between sick children and their classrooms. "We make a living by what we get; but we make a life by what we give!"

Sir Winston Churchill

About the Trust

The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust was formed in 1965 with the principal objective of perpetuating and honouring Sir Winston Churchill's memory through the awarding of 'Churchill Fellowships'.

The Churchill Trust's success is directly attributable to the achievements of its Fellows – over 4,400 talented Australians. Their projects are extremely diverse, invariably innovative and are the result of their dedication to make a difference.

A glance through Fellows' profiles on our website will confirm this, as will the topics of their Fellowships.

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