

# FRANK KNOX MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIPS HARVARD UNIVERSITY

## Information for Australian Applicants

The Frank Knox Memorial Fellowships were established at Harvard University in 1945 by a gift from Annie Reid Knox, wife of the late Frank Knox who served as U.S. Secretary of the Navy in the 1940s. Knox believed that strong ties between the United States and the British Commonwealth were essential to international peace. The Knox Memorial Fellowship program promotes this legacy through scholarly exchange, in part by providing fellowships to students from Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom who wish to conduct graduate study at Harvard University. Fellows are selected on the basis of academic excellence, strength of character, and potential for leadership in their field.

1. Frank Knox Memorial Fellowships are available to students from Australia who wish to study at Harvard University.
2. Applicants for the Frank Knox Fellowship must apply for and gain admission to one of the graduate or professional schools at Harvard University. Recipients must be admitted to Harvard as full-time degree students or, as permitted by certain Harvard schools, as full-time, non-degree Special Students or Visiting Fellows. Candidates should contact the particular Harvard school(s) they wish to attend for further information about degree and non-degree programs offered by the school(s).
3. Knox Fellowships include tuition and health insurance fees plus a stipend of at least \$23,000, which is sufficient to cover the living expenses of a single fellow for a ten-month academic year. Recipients who are admitted to a Harvard degree program that requires multiple years of study are guaranteed two years of Knox funding, provided they remain in good academic standing. Degree candidates in their third year and beyond are eligible to apply for additional support. Recipients who are admitted to one-year degree programs or as Special Students or Visiting Fellows will, ordinarily, be guaranteed funding for one year.
4. It is absolutely imperative that each candidate file an **ADMISSIONS APPLICATION** *directly* with the Graduate School of his/her choice at Harvard University. Each candidate must meet the admission requirements and timetable of the School concerned. Candidates are urged to begin correspondence with the particular school at the earliest possible date. The awarding of a Knox Fellowship is contingent upon the applicant gaining admission to the Harvard school of choice. Admission to the university does not guarantee a fellowship award. Contact addresses for the various Graduate Schools are listed below:

### **Graduate School of Arts and Sciences**

[www.gsas.harvard.edu](http://www.gsas.harvard.edu)

Special Student and Visiting Fellows Office

[www.gsas.harvard.edu/programs\\_of\\_study/non-degree\\_programs.php](http://www.gsas.harvard.edu/programs_of_study/non-degree_programs.php)

### **Harvard Business School**

[www.hbs.edu](http://www.hbs.edu)

### **Harvard Divinity School**

[www.hds.harvard.edu](http://www.hds.harvard.edu)

### **Harvard Kennedy School**

[www.hks.harvard.edu](http://www.hks.harvard.edu)

### **Harvard Medical School**

[www.hms.harvard.edu](http://www.hms.harvard.edu)

### **Harvard School of Dental Medicine**

[www.hsdm.harvard.edu](http://www.hsdm.harvard.edu)

### **Harvard School of Public Health**

[www.hsph.harvard.edu](http://www.hsph.harvard.edu)

### **Graduate School of Design**

[www.gsd.harvard.edu](http://www.gsd.harvard.edu)

### **Graduate School of Education**

[www.gse.harvard.edu](http://www.gse.harvard.edu)

### **Harvard Law School**

[www.law.harvard.edu](http://www.law.harvard.edu)

**Candidate should submit applications for admission to the appropriate school at the earliest possible time and need not wait for the deadline.**

### **Qualifications**

5. Knox Fellowships are open to men and women who:
  - a. are citizens of Australia at the time of application and who are normally resident in Australia
  - b. have studied or are studying for a degree at an Australian university and have spent at least two of the last four years at university at the time of application.
  - c. have graduated no earlier than 2008, or will graduate before September 2010.
6. No application will be considered from any student already in the United States.
7. Knox Fellowships are not awarded for postdoctoral research programs at Harvard University.
8. Candidates wishing to undertake an M.B.A degree at Harvard Business School should ideally have completed at least two years of full-time employment in industry, business, or public service by September 2009.
9. Candidates seeking admission to Harvard Law School should note that the School requires students to have completed their resident university education and hold a basic degree in Law before applying for an advanced degree program (Master of Laws).
10. Candidates will be selected on the basis of academic excellence, strength of character, and potential for leadership in their field.
11. Mrs. Knox expressed the hope that recipients of Knox Fellowships, after gaining knowledge and experience from study in the United States, would return to their native countries to become leaders in their chosen fields.

### **Application Procedures**

12. A complete Frank Knox Memorial Fellowship application includes the following materials:
  - a. A completed and signed Fellowship Application Form, which is obtainable in PDF format from the Frank Knox Fellowships website at: [www.frankknox.harvard.edu](http://www.frankknox.harvard.edu)
  - b. Curriculum vitae
  - c. Short essay of no more than 1,000 words, which provides an account of the applicant's academic pursuits, intellectual interests, extra-curricular activities, and the reasons for his/her desire to study at Harvard University; the essay should also explain the applicant's plan of study at Harvard and his/her future career plans.
  - d. Certified copies of all academic transcripts
  - e. Two confidential letters of recommendation. One of the two letters should be from the applicant's academic supervisor.

### **Submitting the Application**

13. Candidates must submit their complete fellowship application to their Australian university liaison according to the deadline and process established by their university. A list of Australian university and campus contacts can be found on the Knox Fellowship website at [www.frankknox.harvard.edu/aust.html](http://www.frankknox.harvard.edu/aust.html). In cases where an applicant's university is not listed on the Knox Fellowship website, the applicant should contact Rebecca Bauer at the Committee on General Scholarships, as Harvard University does make provision for such cases.
14. For additional information, please contact your Australian University representative or Rebecca Bauer at:

Committee on General Scholarships  
Harvard University  
1430 Massachusetts Avenue, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Cambridge, MA 02138  
U.S.A  
Tel. 617-496-5042  
Email: [rbauer@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:rbauer@fas.harvard.edu)



**Education**

9. List degrees of higher education

| <u>University</u> | <u>Dates of attendance</u> | <u>Major field</u> | <u>Degree/Diploma/Honors</u> |
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10. List academic honors, prizes or honorary scholarships you have received, or Honor Society to which you have been elected:

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11. List any extracurricular activities in which you have participated in the last two years:

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12. Names and address of two referees, one of whom is your current academic supervisor:

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13. Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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