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Dear Mr. Holthouse,

**American Australian Association – 2019 Australia to USA Veteran Scholarship Opportunities**

I would like to introduce to you the American Australian Association (AAA). Established in 1948, the AAA is the leading privately funded non-profit organization dedicated to deepening and strengthening cooperation and understanding between the institutions and people of the United States and Australia. Our mission supports events and activities which focus our engagement and philanthropy around four core pillars: Business and Innovation, Education, Veterans and the Arts.

Since 2002, AAA scholarships and grants have provided support to young Americans and Australians to undertake transformational educational study, research and professional or artistic development in each other's country. To date, the AAA has awarded over 800 Graduate, Veteran and Art scholarships and grants worth \$10 million.

I am delighted to share that we have recently opened **Round 1 (Australia to USA) of the American-Australian Veterans' Fund (AAVF)**. This scholarship round will support honorably discharged Australian veterans, undertaking or interested in undertaking, Undergraduate or Graduate level study in the United States for a minimum of one-year in any disciplinary field. Scholarships awarded will be up to a maximum of US\$50,000 which may be used to support travel, living, tuition or other associated costs. The closing deadline for Round 1 – Australia to USA is March 17, 2019.

Attached to this letter is the announcement that outlines each scholarship opportunity and the general eligibility requirements. I welcome you to share this announcement with Veterans in your network at Naval Association of Australia and encourage those who are eligible to apply via our website <https://www.americaaustralian.org/page/aavf>.

I am happy to answer any questions you may have and would be pleased to discuss any of the above with you or your team.

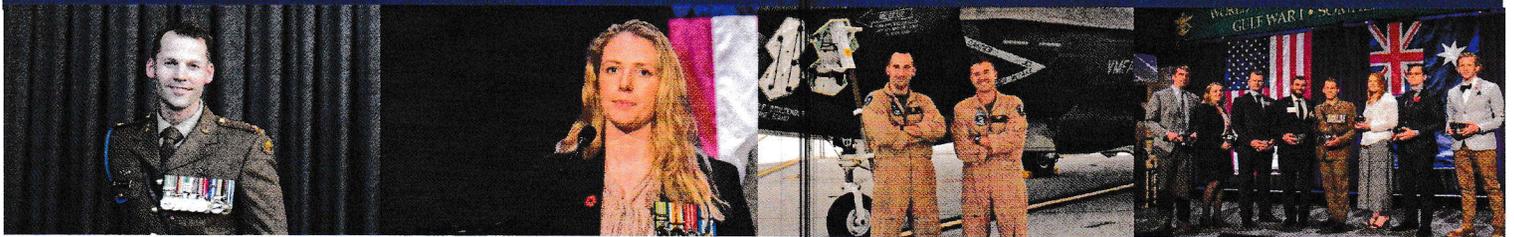
Kind Regards,

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## American-Australian Veterans' Fund

*Honoring our veterans by promoting academic exchange*



The American-Australian Veterans' Fund (AAVF) was created to honor our veterans and provide scholarships and support to help American and Australian veterans build prosperous and lasting post-military careers, by providing new educational opportunities and skills which assist transition to civilian life and rewarding employment.

Opening February 1, the American Australian Association will accept scholarship applications from **Australian** veterans, undertaking or interested in undertaking, **Undergraduate** or **Graduate** level study in the United States.

Each year, the Association awards ten American and Australian veteran scholarships, through two scholarship application rounds. These scholarships support international study and exchange between our two countries and are awarded up to a maximum of US \$50,000 for one year.

**2019 ROUND ONE - Australia to USA | OPEN: 1 February to 17 March 2019**

**APPLY ONLINE VIA OUR WEBSITE: <https://www.americanaustralian.org/page/aavf>**

### AAA-Lendlease Veteran Scholarship



The Lendlease Veteran Scholarship will support an Australian veteran to undertake Graduate level study at an accredited US educational institution of the applicant's choice. This scholarship is open to any disciplinary field.

## AAA-Sentinels of Freedom Veteran Scholarship



The AAA - Sentinels of Freedom (SoF) Veteran Scholarship will support a disabled Australian veteran who has been wounded or injured in a post-9/11 service related event. Applicants for this scholarship must be in receipt of a Veterans' Entitlement Act Disability Pension, at a rating 30% or higher, from the Australian Department of Veterans' Affairs.

This scholarship will support Graduate level study at an accredited US educational institution of the applicant's choice and is open to any disciplinary field.

On the ground mentoring and support will be provided by the US veteran's organization, Sentinels of Freedom.

## AAA Veteran Scholarships



American Australian Association veteran scholarships will support Undergraduate or Graduate study at an accredited US educational institution of the applicant's choice. These scholarships are open to any disciplinary field.

### WHO CAN APPLY

To be eligible to apply for the American-Australian Veterans' Fund scholarships you must be:

- An honorably discharged post 9/11 military veteran;
- Planning to undertake a minimum of one-year study at an accredited US institution. It is not necessary to have already been accepted to the institution;
- An Australian citizen or permanent resident (dual US citizens/permanent residents are not eligible).

Note: Preference will be given to candidates with demonstrable financial need.

For further information regarding scholarship eligibility, please visit our [website](#).

**DEADLINE: 17 MARCH 2019, 11:59PM EST**

**APPLY ONLINE VIA OUR WEBSITE: <https://www.americanaustralian.org/page/aavf>**

Please note, for American veterans wishing to undertake Undergraduate or Graduate study in Australia,  
**Round 2 - USA to Australia OPENS: 1 September 2019.**

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In friendship with The American Legion, Soldier On and RSL Nation.