Every year, the Amgen Scholars Australia Program provides fifteen selected undergraduate students throughout Australia, New Zealand, and Oceania with the opportunity to engage in a hands-on research experience at the University of Melbourne. Currently, 24 premier universities and research institutions across the world host the summer research program in different regions. The Amgen Foundation has committed $74 million over sixteen years to this global initiative to make the opportunity possible for thousands of students.

**Inspiring the Scientists of Tomorrow**

As Amgen Scholars, students will have the opportunity to:

- Take part in important university research projects, gain hands-on lab experience, and contribute to the advancement of science;
- Interact with and receive guidance from faculty mentors, including some of the University of Melbourne’s top academic scientists; and
- Participate in engaging scientific seminars, workshops, and other networking events.

**The Amgen Scholars Australia Symposium**

A signature component of the summer program is a symposium hosted at the University of Melbourne where students hear firsthand from leading scientists working in industry and academia. The Australia symposium provides students with a valuable opportunity to discuss their research, learn about drug discovery and development, and network with their fellow Amgen Scholars from all over Australia, New Zealand, and Oceania.
Financial Support

Financial support is a critical component of the Amgen Scholars Program. See the University of Melbourne’s Amgen Scholars Program website for more information.

Eligibility

Amgen Scholars Australia Program applicants must be:
- Undergraduate students enrolled in accredited colleges or universities in Australia, New Zealand, or Oceania
- Undergraduate students who have completed two years of an equivalent Australian bachelor degree in science or related life sciences

Applicants must also have:
- A weighted average mark equivalent to 75% (GPA 3.2) or above in relevant 1st and 2nd year subjects
- Completed their 2nd year of study in a relevant degree by program start
- Demonstrated academic excellence and leadership
- Interest and enthusiasm for a research higher degree in life sciences

The application deadline for the University of Melbourne Amgen Scholars Program is in early February.

For more information, check out amgenscholars.com or contact the University of Melbourne at amgen-scholars@unimelb.edu.au. For questions about the global Amgen Scholars Program, please contact the Amgen Scholars Global Program Office at amgenscholarsglobal@harvard.edu or +1 617-384-6758.

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