

# **AIA Commonwealth Scholarship**

For applications in 2024/25

# AIA Commonwealth Scholarship Application

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#### 1.0 Introduction

The AIA Commonwealth Scholarship is aimed at students who are committed to a career in accounting and finance. The scholarships are a life-changing opportunity to study for the AIA professional qualification with full funding towards online tuition, through AIA Achieve Academy, and exams fees.

There are five scholarship awards allocated for 2024/25. The scholarships are awarded for five years or until completion of the AIA professional qualification, whichever is sooner.

To apply, email the completed form to: policy@aiaworldwide.com

# 2.0 Timeline & Key Dates

Date	Event
01 November 2024	Applications for AIA Scholarships go live
28 February 2025	Deadline for applications
31 March 2025	Award of scholarships – applicants will be informed by email
November 2025	First exam sitting

### 3.0 Funding

The funding covers:

- 100% of the associated costs of online tuition through AIA Achieve Academy and exams fees.
- All exemption costs, if applicable.
- First year membership fees on completion of the qualification and work experience requirements.

The funding does **not** cover:

• The AIA annual student subscription payable on 01 October each year.

#### 3.1 Withdrawing from the qualification

If a student wishes to withdraw from the qualification before completion they must do so in writing and they will be asked to repay the scholarship, pro-rata.

AIA reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship if a student is found to be ineligible, does not make satisfactory progress on the programme of study or fails to sit consecutive exam sittings.

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#### 4.0 Eligibility

To be eligible for this scholarship you must meet the following criteria:

- Complete the scholarship application form including an essay of no more than 800 words in response to the questions listed. Submissions need to be in English.
- Meet AIA's entry requirements for registration as a student which are 2 A Level passes plus 3 GCSE passes (in five separate subjects including Maths and English) or equivalent.
- Hold an English language qualification of IELTS 6.5 or its equivalent, if your first language is not English.
- Be a national of any Commonwealth country, as listed <u>here</u>, excluding the UK.
- Commit to undertaking the AIA professional qualification, online course of study and sit consecutive exam sittings in May and November each year.
- The application should be countersigned by a sponsor who is 'a person of good standing in their community' or work in (or be retired from) a recognised profession.

#### 5.0 Application

#### 5.1 Personal details

First name:	
Surname:	
Postal address:	
Country of residence:	
Email:	
Telephone number:	
Details of relevant qualifications:	

#### 5.2 Confirmation of eligibility

I confirm that I have read and meet all the eligibility criteria

# 6.0 Essay

Please write a maximum of 800 words on **one** of the following questions:

- What would this scholarship mean to you?
- Why is a career in accountancy important to you?

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## 7.0 Signatures

Signature of applicant:

Counter-signed by (print name):

Counter-signatory:

Occupation of counter-signatory:



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