





# WHAT IS THE BURSARY SCHEME?

The Overseas Bursary Scheme is an initiative of Apex Australia. It originated 44 years ago by Australian sponsors assisting Filipino scholars to complete high school and University. We believe that knowledge is Power and that the greatest gift an individual can be given is Education.

#### WHAT IS APEX?

Apex Australia is a Service organisation. Apex celebrates 85 years of working in our community and there are now seven other Apex countries worldwide. The partnership between Apexians in different countries is the key to our Bursary success.

#### **IS THIS NEW?**

The Bursary Scheme has been running for 44 years in the Philippines. 2017 was the inaugural year of the Bursary Scheme operating in Lombok, Indonesia.

### HOW WILL THE LOMBOK PROGRAM OPERATE?

Australian teachers will apply for a 6-month tenure to volunteer as an English teacher in a high school in Mataram, Lombok, Indonesia. The school, SMP7, is on the Southern Side of the Capital city and draws a large percentage of its students from rural farming families.

Apex Australia through sponsorship from Apex Clubs, individuals and corporations will cover the teachers' air fares, medical insurance and basic living expenses.

The teacher will experience living in a local community, learning the local language and culture, whilst teaching English in a school of approximately 1500 students and staff. It has been identified that the real benefit is learning pronunciation from a native English speaker.

For Indonesians, learning English opens so many opportunities for employment, especially in tourism.



# INTERESTED IN SPONSORING?

Whether you are an Apex Club, individual or business your contribution no matter how large or small will help. Attached is a sponsorship commitment form. Please fill it out and send it back today. We will keep you updated via email as to the Bursary Scheme's progression.

#### **INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?**

If you have a teaching qualification, are looking for adventure and an opportunity to immerse yourself in a different culture, this is a perfect way to make a real difference.

Drop us an email with a short background of your career, your contact details and why you would like to be involved. We will get in contact shortly to discuss your options in more detail.

Email: craig@martintransport.com.au







In 2014 we celebrated 40 years of the Bursary Scheme in the Philippines. The success of the scheme is the unique system and partnership between Apex Australia and Apex Philippines. Apex Clubs and individuals sponsor a scholar for \$399 per year. Apex members in the Philippines act as mentors for the scholars and assist with the co-ordination and compliance. Every dollar donated by a sponsor goes directly to supporting a scholar's education.

# FROM AN APEX PHILIPPINES CLUB BURSARY OFFICER:



"The Apex bursary for me is primarily the gift of education to the students. My experiences handling the bursary of our club allowed me to work with students from high school up to college / University. It is really very fulfilling and satisfying to see the joy in the bursary scholars faces when they graduate. Education is something that they can carry with them for the rest of their lives. Knowing that the Apex bursary had a part in helping the scholars reach their educational goals makes me very proud to be part of a great program – and it is one of the things that being an Apexian is all about."

**ERIC SANTOS** Apex club of Iloilo



# FROM A BURSARY SCHOLAR:

Whoever I have become today, I can definitely say that Apex has been a big part of it. I became a scholar of the bursary program when I was in 2nd year high school. From then on, Apex has assisted me with my school fees until I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Tourism. But more than the financial support that I am receiving yearly from Apex Club of Darlington Point, I am thankful as well of the fact that the club is more than just the bursary program, the socializations, the community outreach programs etc. Hence, Apex is a family to me. The people I have met in the club brought me into realizing my bigger role towards my community. I could still remember when I first met our then Bursary Director Apn. Sir Ian Willy Oates. That was the time he discussed the very meat of the existence of the bursary program to me and my fellow local scholars. He had it illustrated as a way to pull out underprivileged but deserving scholars out of an impoverished community. That the club cannot do it in just a snap which is the very reason why it's done gradually or from a batch of scholars to another. And that we are part of the process for which sooner or later, we could possibly be one of the local sponsors. And for me, I find it a beautiful cycle of replication which I am glad to take part with.

And today, here I am flying my dreams, continuously persevering to reach my goals and looking forward to the day where I can finally extend help to our local scholars in any way I can.

#### JASON VINCENT B. CALDEO

Apex Scholar, 2007-2013 Member, Apex Club of Leganes



Sponsor Name:(Club, Business or Individual)	DONATION
Contact Person:	I would like to make a once off donation of
Contact Phone:	\$
Mobile:	
Email:	Please send this completed form to:
Postal Address:	Apex Australia PO Box 166 Darling Height QLD 4350
INDONESIA BURSARY I would like to commit for 2 years \$399.00 per year to sponsor an English class in Lombok.	Or via email to: admin@apex.org.au
Total Commitment \$798.00	1800 00 APEX   07 4697 5303
<ul> <li>PHILIPPINES BURSARY</li> <li>I would like to commit for 4 years \$399.00 per year towards a scholar in the Philippines.</li> <li>Total Commitment \$1,596.00</li> </ul>	A tax Invoice will be issued. Payments can be made by direct deposit.