

AIA Commonwealth Scholarship

For applications in 2025/26

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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 2025/26. 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: scholarships@aia worldwide.com

2.0 Timeline & Key Dates

Date	Event
November 2025	Applications for AIA Scholarships go live
28 February 2026	Deadline for applications
31 March 2026	Award of scholarships – applicants will be informed by email
November 2026	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.

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 [here](#), 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?

7.0 Signatures

Signature of applicant:

Counter-signed by (print name):

Counter-signatory:

Occupation of counter-signatory:



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