



Australian Government

Department of Immigration
and Citizenship

Application for general skilled migration to Australia

Form

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Life in Australia – Australian values

The Australian Government encourages people to gain an understanding of Australia, its people and their way of life, before applying for a visa to live in Australia.

This includes understanding that the English language, as the national language, is an important unifying element of Australian society. Australian society is also united through the following shared values:

- respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual;
- freedom of religion;
- commitment to the rule of law;
- Parliamentary democracy;
- equality of men and women;
- a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good;
- equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background.

The *Life in Australia* booklet provides more information on the values that Australians share and their way of life. This booklet is available in a wide range of languages. If you have not already received a copy then it can be obtained from www.immi.gov.au

You must have read the *Life in Australia* booklet before completing this application form. If you have difficulty, or are unable to read the booklet, you may have the content of it explained to you, for example, by a friend or relative. This form contains a statement, that you must sign, that confirms you understand and will respect the values of Australian society (as explained in the booklet) and will obey the laws of Australia. This includes acknowledging what would be required if you later applied for Australian citizenship.

This statement must also be signed by each person aged 18 years or over, who is included in this form.

About this form

Important – Please read this information carefully before you complete your application. Once you have completed your application we strongly advise that you keep a copy for your records.

Who should use this form?

This form is for use by applicants for a General Skilled Migration (GSM) visa. A summary of the GSM visas has been provided on pages 3–6 of this form. Further information about each visa, including application requirements, is available on the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (the department) website www.immi.gov.au/skilled/

If the visa subclass that you wish to apply for is NOT listed in pages 3–6 do not complete this form and check the department's website www.immi.gov.au for more information. Alternatively, you can contact the nearest office of the department in Australia or the nearest overseas Australian mission. Contact details are available on the website.

Integrity of application

The department is committed to maintaining the integrity of the visa and citizenship programs. Please be aware that if you or a third party acting on your behalf provide false or misleading information or bogus documents either knowingly or otherwise your visa application will be refused or any visa granted may be cancelled.

Applying online

The department encourages applicants to apply online. **Applications lodged online have quicker processing times.** For information on how to apply online go to the department's website www.immi.gov.au/e_visa/

If you are applying online for a GSM visa that requires sponsorship then the sponsorship form must also be completed online.

Applying on this form

Before completing this form, please read carefully the information below and the information on GSM www.immi.gov.au/skilled/

The GSM visas are divided into 2 categories: **onshore and offshore.**

You can only apply for an 'onshore' GSM visa while you are in Australia, and you can only be granted an 'onshore' visa while you are in Australia.

Applications for an 'offshore' GSM visa are usually made from outside of Australia, however, you may make an 'offshore' visa application while in Australia provided the conditions attached to your current visa do not prevent you from doing so.

Applicants for an 'offshore' visa should be aware that it is a requirement of these visas that the applicants be outside of Australia for a visa to be granted. There is one exception to this requirement where the main applicant is a New Zealand citizen and in Australia as a holder of a Special Category (subclass 444) visa. In this case you may be inside or outside of Australia at the time your visa is granted.

Students and General Skilled Migration

Australia has a well-deserved reputation for high-quality education and training. We continue to welcome overseas students, and appreciate the contribution they make to both academic life and the communities in which they live.

People who wish to study in Australia may be granted a Student visa that entitles them to come to Australia on a temporary basis for a specified period to undertake study at an Australian educational institution. While many overseas students make a decision to apply for permanent residence upon completing their studies, this is an entirely **separate process** and there is no guarantee that, on the basis of having held a student visa, a person will meet the requirements to be granted permanent residence.

It is important to note that student visas are aimed at achieving an educational outcome. General Skilled Migration (GSM) on the other hand is predominantly driven by the labour market needs of Australia.

The criteria for grant of GSM visas can change in response to the changing economic circumstances of Australia. All applicants seeking to be granted a permanent GSM visa must meet the relevant criteria set out in the Migration legislation, regardless of whether or not they have previously been in Australia.

It is important for student visa holders to note that any changes to the criteria for the grant of a GSM visa would not affect their Student visa conditions.

Students **should not** make educational choices solely on the basis of a hoping to achieve a particular migration outcome, as the GSM program will continue to change and adapt to Australia's economic needs.

Visa Application Charge

A GSM visa application is subject to a charge. To check the Visa Application Charge, see form 990i *Charges* available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/990i.htm or contact the nearest office of the department in Australia or the nearest overseas Australian mission.

Fees may be subject to adjustment at any time. Visa Application Charges may be subject to adjustment on 1 July each year. This may increase the cost of a visa

Payment **must** accompany your application. If you intend to pay by credit card, please provide details in **Part P**.

Method of payment

To make a payment, please pay by credit card, debit card, bank cheque or money order made payable to the Department of Immigration and Citizenship. Debit card and credit card are the preferred methods of payment.

An alternate option is to make a payment at the nearest office of the department, if you are in Australia, or the nearest overseas Australian mission, if you are outside Australia. If you choose to pay in this way you must attach the departmental copy of the receipt to your application form as evidence of payment.

You **must** lodge your application with the Adelaide Skilled Processing Centre (ASPC), but you can make a payment at the nearest office of the department in Australia or the nearest overseas Australian mission.

For more information see www.immi.gov.au/allforms/990i.htm

Lodging your application

All applications for GSM from both outside Australia and in Australia must be lodged online or sent to the ASPC.

By mail:

Adelaide Skilled Processing Centre
Department of Immigration and Citizenship
GPO Box 1638
ADELAIDE SA 5001
AUSTRALIA

By courier:

Adelaide Skilled Processing Centre
Department of Immigration and Citizenship
4th Floor
55 Currie Street
ADELAIDE SA 5000
AUSTRALIA

Any application made on this form and lodged at any other office cannot be accepted. It will not be a valid application and will not be processed.

For further information

For more details on the GSM visas, visit the department's website www.immi.gov.au/skilled/ or complete an online enquiry form available from www.immi.gov.au/contacts/ or call 1300 364 613 (if calling from outside Australia dial international code 61).

Note: The ASPC prefers that you communicate with them through the online enquiry form.

Home page

www.immi.gov.au

General enquiry line

Telephone **131 881** during business hours in Australia to speak to an operator (recorded information available outside these hours).
If you are outside Australia, please contact your nearest Australian mission.

GENERAL SKILLED MIGRATION (GSM)

Onshore permanent

SUBCLASS	PURPOSE	APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
<p>Skilled – Independent (subclass 885)</p>	<p>This visa is for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> overseas students who have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months; Graduate (subclass 485) and Recognised Graduate (subclass 476) visa holders; and Trade Skills Training (subclass 471) visa holders who have completed their apprenticeship. <p>Your application will be assessed against a points test.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be under 45 years of age (unless you hold a Graduate visa); have applied for a skills assessment in your nominated 50 or 60 point occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); have evidence that you have competent English; have evidence that you and all persons included in this application have booked or undergone a medical examination for the purpose of this visa; and have applied for a check of criminal records with the Australian Federal Police for you and all persons included in this application who are aged 16 or over.
<p>Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 886)</p>	<p>This visa is for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> overseas students who have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months; Graduate (subclass 485) and Recognised Graduate (subclass 476) visa holders; and Trade Skills Training (subclass 471) visa holders who have completed their apprenticeship. <p>Applicants for this visa must be sponsored by an eligible relative or nominated by a state or territory government.</p> <p>Your application will be assessed against a points test.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> be under 45 years of age (unless you hold a Graduate visa); have applied for a skills assessment in your nominated 50 or 60 point occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); have evidence that you have competent English; have evidence that you and all persons included in this application have booked or undergone a medical examination for the purpose of this visa; and have applied for a check of criminal records with the Australian Federal Police for you and all persons included in this application who are aged 16 or over. <p>If you are sponsored by an eligible relative, you must provide evidence of your sponsorship by submitting form 1277 <i>Application for sponsorship under general skilled migration</i> completed by your sponsor. If you apply using this paper form, your sponsor must also complete a paper form. If you apply online, your sponsor must complete the online form.</p>
<p>Skilled – Regional (subclass 887)</p>	<p>This visa is for applicants who have held one of the following provisional GSM visas for at least 2 years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Skilled – Independent Regional (Provisional) (subclass 495); Skilled – Designated Area-sponsored (Provisional) (subclass 496); Skilled – Regional Sponsored (Provisional) (subclass 487) or (subclass 475). <p>This visa is not points tested.</p>	<p>To be eligible to be granted this visa you must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> lived in a specified regional area for at least 2 years; worked full-time in a specified area for at least 12 months; while holding a provisional GSM visa. <p>For information on what is a specified area, see www.immi.gov.au/skilled/</p> <p>You must also have complied with the conditions of your provisional GSM visa.</p>

Onshore provisional

SUBCLASS	PURPOSE	APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
<p>Skilled – Graduate (subclass 485)</p>	<p>This visa is for overseas students who have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months but need additional time to meet the requirements for a permanent GSM visa.</p> <p>The visa is valid for 18 months and has unrestricted work and study rights.</p> <p>Graduate (subclass 485) visa holders may apply for a permanent GSM visa at any time.</p> <p>This visa is not points tested.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 45 years of age; • have applied for a skills assessment in your nominated 50 or 60 point occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); • have evidence that you have competent English; • have evidence that you and all persons included in this application have booked or undergone a medical examination for the purpose of this visa; and • have applied for a check of criminal records with the Australian Federal Police for you and all persons included in this application who are aged 16 or over.
<p>Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 487)</p>	<p>This visa is for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • overseas students who have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months; • Graduate (subclass 485) and Recognised Graduate (subclass 476) visa holders; • Trade Skills Training (subclass 471) visa holders who have completed their apprenticeship; • Working Holiday (subclass 417) visa holders who have held their visa for at least 6 months; and • Occupational Trainee (subclass 442) visa holders who have completed the traineeship or course for which that visa was granted. <p>This is a 3 year provisional visa.</p> <p>Applicants for this visa must be sponsored by an eligible relative usually resident in a designated area of Australia or nominated by a state or territory government agency.</p> <p>Your application will be assessed against a points test.</p> <p>If you are granted this visa on the basis of sponsorship by a relative, you will be subject to a condition that while in Australia you live, work and study only in a designated area of Australia.</p> <p>If you are granted this visa on the basis of nomination by a state/territory government agency you will be subjected to a condition that while in Australia you live, work and study only in regional Australia.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 45 years of age; • have applied for a skills assessment in your nominated 50 or 60 point occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); • have evidence that you have a minimum of an average of 6.0 (Concessional Competent English) in an IELTS test; • be sponsored by an eligible relative or participating state or territory; • have evidence that you and all persons included in this application have booked or undergone a medical examination for the purpose of this visa; and • have applied for a check of criminal records with the Australian Federal Police for you and all persons included in this application who are aged 16 or over. <p>If you are sponsored by an eligible relative, you must provide evidence of your sponsorship by submitting form 1277 <i>Application for sponsorship under general skilled migration</i> completed by your sponsor. If you apply using this paper form, your sponsor must also complete a paper form. If you apply online, your sponsor must complete the online form.</p>

Offshore permanent

SUBCLASS	PURPOSE	APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
<p>Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 487) 12 month renewal</p>	<p>This visa is for people who currently hold a provisional GSM visa:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skilled – Independent Regional (Provisional) (subclass 495); • Skilled – Designated Area-sponsored (Provisional) (subclass 496); • Skilled – Regional Sponsored (Provisional) (subclass 487) or (subclass 475), <p>and are unable to meet the requirements for a permanent visa before the end of the provisional visa. This visa extends your provisional stay in Australia for up to 12 months.</p> <p>You will not be required to meet the points test again.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hold a provisional GSM visa; and • have complied with the conditions of that visa.
<p>Skilled – Independent (subclass 175)</p>	<p>This visa is for skilled applicants outside Australia. New Zealand citizens in Australia on a Special Category (subclass 444) visa may also apply for this visa.</p> <p>Your application will be assessed against a points test.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 45 years of age; • have a suitable skills assessment in your nominated occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); • have evidence that you have competent English. <p>You must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have worked in an occupation on the Skilled Occupation List (SOL) for 12 out of the last 24 months; or • have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months.
<p>Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 176)</p>	<p>This visa is for skilled applicants outside Australia. New Zealand citizens in Australia on a Special Category (subclass 444) visa may also apply for this visa.</p> <p>Applicants for this visa must be sponsored by an eligible relative or nominated by a state/territory government.</p> <p>Your application will be assessed against a points test.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 45 years of age; • have a suitable skills assessment in your nominated occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); • have evidence that you have competent English. <p>You must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have worked in an occupation on the Skilled Occupation List (SOL) for 12 out of the last 24 months; or • have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months. <p>If you are sponsored by an eligible relative, you must provide evidence of your sponsorship by submitting form 1277 <i>Application for sponsorship under general skilled migration</i> completed by your sponsor. If you apply using this paper form, your sponsor must also complete a paper form. If you apply online, your sponsor must complete the online form.</p>

Offshore provisional

SUBCLASS	PURPOSE	APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS
<p>Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 475)</p>	<p>This visa is for skilled applicants outside Australia. New Zealand citizens in Australia on a Special Category (subclass 444) visa may also apply for this visa. This is a 3 year provisional visa.</p> <p>Applicants for this visa must be sponsored by an eligible relative usually resident in a designated area of Australia, or nominated by a state/territory government agency.</p> <p>Your application will be assessed against a points test.</p> <p>If you are granted this visa on the basis of sponsorship by an eligible relative, you will be subject to a condition that while in Australia you live, work and study only in a designated area of Australia.</p> <p>If you are granted this visa on the basis of nomination by a state/territory government agency, you will be subject to a condition that while in Australia you live, work and study only in regional Australia.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 45 years of age; • have a suitable skills assessment in your nominated occupation from the Skilled Occupation List (SOL); • have evidence that you have a minimum of an average of 6.0 (Concessional Competent English) in an IELTS test; • be sponsored by an eligible relative or participating state or territory; <p>You must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have worked in an occupation on the Skilled Occupation List (SOL) for 12 out of the last 24 months; or • have met the Australian study requirement in the last 6 months. <p>If you are sponsored by an eligible relative, you must provide evidence of your sponsorship by submitting form 1277 <i>Application for sponsorship under general skilled migration</i> completed by your sponsor. If you apply using this paper form, your sponsor must also complete a paper form. If you apply online, your sponsor must complete the online form.</p>
<p>Skilled – Recognised Graduate (subclass 476)</p>	<p>This visa is available to students from recognised overseas educational institutions who have skills in demand in Australia.</p> <p>This visa is valid for 18 months and has unrestricted work and study rights.</p> <p>This visa is not points tested.</p> <p>Recognised Graduate visa holders can apply for a permanent GSM visa at any time.</p>	<p>At the time you apply for this visa you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be under 31 years of age; • have evidence that you have competent English; and • in the last 24 months have completed an award in a recognised discipline at a recognised institution.

Making a valid application and supporting documents

To make a valid application you must provide certain supporting documents with your application. The documents required are different for each type of application. If you do not provide the required documents your application may not be valid and may be returned to you.

You will find the **checklists** of the documents you must provide in support of your application on the department's website www.immi.gov.au/skilled/

You must complete the appropriate checklist from this website if you are sending your application by mail or courier. If you are applying online, the electronic form has an in-built checklist.

In either case, enclose/attach copies of all documents listed on the relevant checklist with your application.

You may be asked to provide other documents during processing. 'Certified copies' of documents means authorised or stamped true copies of originals by a person or agency recognised by law of your country. In Australia, they must be certified by a Justice of the Peace or Commissioner for Declarations or by a person before whom a statutory declaration may be made. The department also accepts documents certified by a registered migration agent.

Documents in languages other than English should be accompanied by an English translation. If the applicant is onshore, the translation should be undertaken by a translator accredited by the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI). Failure to do so may significantly affect the processing of your application. Translations provided by non-accredited translators overseas should be endorsed by the translator with their full name, address, telephone number, and details of their qualifications and experience in the language being translated.

Note: You must include **both** a certified copy of the original language document **and** a certified copy of the translated document with your application. Do not supply any original documents with your application, unless you have been asked to do so.

Who is covered by this form?

The application form covers a primary applicant and, if applicable, secondary applicants.

For information about who can be included in your application as a secondary applicant, see the department's website www.immi.gov.au/skilled/

If you have a partner, consider which of you is more likely to meet visa requirements before completing the form. The person who meets the age, skill, work experience or study requirements should be the **primary applicant** and complete **Part A About you**.

'**Partner**' means your spouse or de facto partner (including same-sex partners).

Dependent children

A dependent child may be your or your partner's child or step-child. 'Step-child' means a child of your current partner or a child of your former partner when the child is under 18 years and you have a legal responsibility to care for that child (for example, when your former partner is deceased and you have legal custody of your former partner's child). You will need to provide a certified copy of the overseas or Australian court order in relation to the custody of the child. A child aged 18 years or over is not considered dependent if he or she is married or in a de facto relationship or is engaged to be married. A child aged 18 years or over will not be considered dependent unless you can show that they are wholly or substantially reliant on you for financial support for their basic needs of food, shelter and clothing. You must also show that you have provided that support for a significant period and that the child is more reliant on you than on any other person or source. Unless you can provide evidence of this, they should apply separately. You should also be aware that a child aged 25 years or over will generally not be considered dependent. Children of any age who have a total or partial loss of bodily or mental functions, which stops them earning a living, are regarded as dependent and part of the family unit (whether or not they migrate with you). Give details of such children and whether or not they are in your care.

In all cases you should attach evidence of your child's dependency on you.

Custody requirements

The department will seek to ensure that allowing a child to migrate is not in contravention of Australia's international obligations in relation to the prevention of child abduction. If your application includes a child under 18 years of age and the child's other parent is not migrating with you or there is any other person who has the legal right to determine where the child can live, you will need to provide a Statutory Declaration from each of them giving permission for the child to migrate. Alternatively, you can provide a certified copy of a valid court order showing that you, or your partner, has the legal right to remove the child from the country.

Other dependants

You may include other relatives in your application if they are wholly or substantially reliant on you for financial support for their basic needs of food, shelter and clothing and they have been reliant on you for that support for a substantial period. They must also be more reliant on you for support than on any other person or source. A relative may also be considered dependent on you if they are reliant on you for financial support because they have a mental or physical disability which stops them from earning a living to support themselves. Other relatives dependent on you or your partner may include, for example, an aged, unmarried relative.

A form 47A Details of child or other dependent family member aged 18 years or over must be completed for each dependant aged 18 years or over, whether migrating or not. The dependant may need to provide supporting documents. Form 47A is available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/

About the information you give

The department is authorised to collect information provided on this form under Part 2 of the *Migration Act 1958* 'Control of Arrival and Presence of Non-citizens'. The information provided will be used by the department for assessing your eligibility for a visa to travel, enter and remain in Australia. It may also be used for other purposes relating to the administration of the Migration Act, for example, to assist migrants with settling in Australia, to monitor the conduct of migration agents or for ensuring compliance with the Migration Act.

If you come from a country where the government has issued you with a unique identity number for the purpose of confirming your identity you need to enter that identity number and the country that issued the identity number. (An identity number is usually issued on an Identity Card which contains other personal details such as your full name, date of birth, photograph, signature etc. An identity card can also be referred to as a National Identity Card, Smart Identity Card, Citizen Card etc.)

The information provided on this form, including any information on your health, will be used to assess your health for an Australian visa and may be disclosed to the relevant Commonwealth, state and territory health agencies and examining doctor(s).

Form 1071i *Health requirement for permanent entry to Australia* provides additional information on Australia's permanent visa health requirements. Form 1163i *Health requirement for temporary entry to Australia* has information on Australia's temporary visa health requirements. Forms 1071i and 1163i are available at offices of the department or from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/

The information you provide might also be disclosed to agencies who are authorised to receive information relating to adoption, border control, business skills, citizenship, education, employment, health assessment, health insurance, health services, law enforcement, payment of pensions and benefits, taxation, review of decisions and regulation of migration agents.

The collection, access, storage, use and disclosure by the department of the information you provide in this form is governed by the *Privacy Act 1988* and, in particular, by the 11 Information Privacy Principles. The information form 993i *Safeguarding your personal information*, available from the department's website, gives details of agencies to which your personal information might be disclosed.

The department is authorised under the *Migration Act 1958*, in certain circumstances, to collect a range of personal identifiers including a facial image, fingerprints and a signature from non-citizens, including from visa applicants. The department requires personal identifiers to assist in assessing your identity. The department is authorised to disclose your personal identifiers and information relating to your name and other relevant biographical data to a number of agencies including law enforcement and health agencies and to other agencies who may need to check your identity with this department. Where the department obtains personal identifiers they will become part of your official record with the department.

The department is involved in international information exchanges with a number of countries, including the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Canada and New Zealand. These international information exchanges may involve the sharing of personal identifiers, including facial images and fingerprint data, collected by immigration agencies such as this department. If, as a result of this sharing between countries, there is a match with your personal identifiers, the department will disclose your biographical data, copies of travel and other identity documents or information from such documents, your immigration status and immigration history (which may include any immigration abuse and offences) and any criminal history information relevant to immigration purposes. The purpose of such disclosure would be to help confirm your identity and determine if you have presented to the department and the other agency under the same identity and with similar claims.

For more detailed information you should read information form 1243i *Your personal identifying information*, which is available from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/allforms/ or from any office of the department or Australian mission overseas.

Options for receiving written communications

You may authorise another person to receive all communications, both written and electronic, about your application with the department. You will be taken to have received any documents sent to that person as if they had been sent to you.

To do this you will need to complete **Part O** *Options for receiving written communications* and form 956 *Appointment of a migration agent or exempt agent or other authorised recipient*. For an explanation of what a migration agent or exempt agent or authorised recipient can do please read the sections below.

To change or end the appointment of your migration agent or exempt agent or authorised recipient you must promptly advise the department in writing. You can do this by using form 956 *Appointment of a migration agent or exempt agent or other authorised recipient*.

Authorised recipient information

An authorised recipient is someone you appoint to receive written communications about your application with the department.

All written communication about your application will be sent to your authorised recipient, unless you indicate that you wish to have health and/or character information sent directly to you.

The department will communicate with the most recently appointed authorised recipient as you may only appoint one authorised recipient at any time for a particular application.

Migration agent information

A migration agent is someone who can:

- advise you on the visa that may best suit you;
- tell you the documents you need to submit with your application;
- help you fill in the application and submit it;
- communicate with the department on your behalf.

If you appoint a migration agent, the department will assume that your migration agent will be your authorised recipient, unless you indicate otherwise.

Your migration agent will be the person with whom the department will discuss your application and from whom it will seek further information when required.

You are not required to use a migration agent. However, if you use a migration agent, the department encourages you to use a registered migration agent. Registered agents are bound by the Migration Agents Code of Conduct, which requires them to act professionally in their clients' lawful best interests.

Immigration assistance

A person gives immigration assistance to you if he or she uses, or claims to use, his or her knowledge or experience in migration procedure to assist you with your visa application, request for ministerial intervention, cancellation review application, sponsorship or nomination.

In Australia a person may only lawfully give immigration assistance if he or she is a registered migration agent or is exempt from being registered. Only registered migration agents may receive a fee or reward for providing immigration assistance.

If an unregistered person in Australia, who is not exempt from registration, gives you immigration assistance they are committing a criminal offence and may be prosecuted.

Migration agents in Australia

Migration agents in Australia must be registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA) unless they are exempt from registration.

Migration agents outside Australia

Migration agents who operate outside Australia do not have to be registered. The department may give some overseas agents an ID number. This number does not mean that they are registered.

Note: Some Australian registered migration agents operate overseas.

Exempt agents

The following people do not have to be a registered migration agent in order to provide immigration assistance, but they must not charge a fee for their service:

- a close family member (spouse, de facto partner, child, parent, brother or sister);
- a sponsor or nominator for this visa application;
- a member of parliament or their staff;
- an official whose duties include providing immigration assistance (eg. a Legal Aid provider);
- a member of a diplomatic mission, consular post or international organisation.

Further information on migration agents

Information on migration agents, including a list of registered migration agents, is available on the Office of the MARA website www.themara.com.au

You can also access information about migration agents on the department's website www.immi.gov.au

Consent to communicate electronically

The department may use a range of means to communicate with you. However, electronic means such as fax or e-mail will be used only if you indicate your agreement to receiving communication in this way. To process your application the department may need to communicate with you about sensitive information, for example, health, police checks, financial viability and personal relationships. Electronic communications, unless adequately encrypted, are not secure and may be viewed by others or interfered with. If you agree to the department communicating with you by electronic means, the details you provide will be used by the department only for the purpose for which you have provided them, unless there is a legal obligation or necessity to use them for another purpose, or you have consented to use for another purpose. They will not be added to any mailing list. The Australian Government accepts no responsibility for the security or integrity of any information sent to the department over the internet or by other electronic means.

How to fill in this form?

You must:

- complete the form in English;
- print clearly using a pen;
- answer all questions truthfully and completely; and
- provide supporting documents where necessary.

Read the notes for each question. If a question is not applicable, write 'N/A'. Any changes or corrections you make must be initialled and dated by each person who signs the form. If you use any other sheets of paper for providing additional information, each page must also be signed and dated by all persons who sign the form.

If there is not enough space on the form to answer any questions in full, please attach additional sheets of paper with the details.

If you provide incorrect information or documents, it may affect whether you are granted a visa or not, or whether your visa may be subsequently cancelled.

Please keep these information pages for your reference

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When lodging your application do NOT place the application in a binder, folder or plastic sleeve.

Before you fill in the form, it is **very important** that you read and understand all the information outlined **on pages 1 to 9**.

Please use a pen, and write neatly in English using BLOCK LETTERS.

Tick where applicable

Condition 8534

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS WHO HOLD A STUDENT VISA APPLYING FOR A GENERAL SKILLED MIGRATION (GSM) VISA WHILE IN AUSTRALIA

Applicants with condition 8534 on their student visa cannot apply for a GSM visa while in Australia without applying for the condition 8534 to be waived.

Do you have condition 8534 on your student visa?

No

Yes Would you like to apply to have that condition waived to allow you to apply for a GSM visa in Australia?

No

Yes By ticking this box you are applying for a waiver of this condition.

Application overview

Which visa are you applying for?

ONSHORE

Skilled – Independent (subclass 885)

Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 886)

Skilled – Regional (subclass 887)

Skilled – Graduate (subclass 485)

Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 487)

Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 487) (12 month renewal)

OFFSHORE

Skilled – Independent (subclass 175)

Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 176)

Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 475)

Skilled – Recognised Graduate (subclass 476)

How many people are included in this application (including yourself)?

Part A – About you

This part should be completed by the main applicant

1 Your full name
(as shown in your passport or travel document)

Family name

Given names

2 Name in your own language or script
(if applicable)

3 Other ways you spell your name

Family name

Given names

4 Your name in Chinese Commercial Code Numbers
(if applicable)

5 Other names you are, or have been, known by
(including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

Family name

Given names

Reason for change

6 Sex Male Female

7 Date of birth

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	/

8 Place of birth

Town/city

Country

9 Country of current residence

10 Of which countries are you a citizen?

11 Details of the passport that you use for travel purposes
(provide details of the passport that you will use to enter Australia. Enter these details exactly how they appear in your passport)

Note: It is strongly recommended that the passport be valid for at least 6 months.

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

12 If you hold more than one passport please provide details of those passports

1. Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

2. Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

13 Details of countries of residence

For persons 16 years of age or older, provide details of all countries in which you have lived for a total of 12 months or more during the last 10 years.

Country	Dates lived there		Last permanent address in that country <i>(include suburb/town/city and state/province)</i>
	FROM	TO	
		MONTH / YEAR	
	FROM	/	
	TO	/	
	FROM	/	
	TO	/	
	FROM	/	
	TO	/	
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	TO	/	
	FROM	/	
	TO	/	
	FROM	/	
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	FROM	/	
	TO	/	

14 Details of identity card or identity number issued to you by your government (*if applicable*) eg. National identity card.
Note: If you are the holder of multiple identity numbers because you are a citizen of more than one country you need to enter the identity number on the card from the country that you are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

15 Your current residential address
Note: A post office box address is not acceptable as a residential address. Failure to give your residential address will result in this application being invalid.

POSTCODE

16 Address for correspondence
(If the same as your residential address, write 'AS ABOVE')
Note: It is your responsibility to advise the department of any change to your address for correspondence during the application process.

POSTCODE

17 Telephone numbers

Office hours COUNTRY CODE AREA CODE NUMBER

After hours COUNTRY CODE AREA CODE NUMBER

Mobile/cell COUNTRY CODE NUMBER

18 Do you agree to the department communicating with you by fax or e-mail?

No

Yes Give details

Fax number COUNTRY CODE AREA CODE NUMBER

E-mail address

Please list your other e-mail addresses

19 Where do you intend to live in Australia?

Australian Capital Territory Tasmania

New South Wales Victoria

Northern Territory Western Australia

Queensland External Territory

South Australia Don't know

20 What is the value of money, goods and assets which you (and your partner) intend to bring to Australia?

Total amount in local currency

Australian dollar equivalent AUD

21 Relationship status

Married Date of marriage DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Engaged Date of intended marriage / /

De facto Date relationship began / /

Separated

Divorced

Widowed Go to Question 23

Never married or been in a de facto relationship

22 Will your partner be migrating with you?

No

If your partner does not intend to migrate with you, attach a note explaining why and saying whether your partner intends to join you later, or other reason. If you are separated, attach a statutory declaration that gives the name of your partner, date of marriage or date when de facto relationship commenced, date of separation, and (if the separation is permanent) states that you are getting, or intend getting, a divorce (*if applicable*).

Yes

23 Do you have any dependants (other than a partner) included in this visa application?

No

Yes

24 If you are applying for an provisional GSM visa on the basis of being a secondary applicant and the main applicant has already been granted their visa, please provide the details of the main visa holder

Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Their visa details

Type of visa held

Passport number

File number (*if known*)

30 Educational qualification details

Provide details of your **Australian and/or overseas** post-secondary qualifications.

List the most recent first. Please include certified copies of your academic transcripts with your application.

Qualification	Course name	Institution name	City/Country	Postcode of campus	Period	
					MONTH	YEAR
					FROM	/
					TO	/
					FROM	/
					TO	/
					FROM	/
					TO	/
					FROM	/
					TO	/

31 Past employment and work experience

Provide details of your past employment. List the most recent experience first.

Employer and city	Occupation/position	Period	
		MONTH	YEAR
		FROM	/
		TO	/
		FROM	/
		TO	/
		FROM	/
		TO	/
		FROM	/
		TO	/

32 Designated language qualifications

Are you applying for points for fluency in one of Australia's community languages (other than English)?

No

Yes Language

Note: To meet this requirement you must have professional level language skills (written or oral). These must be evidenced by a qualification (of equivalent standard to an Australian degree) gained from a university where all instruction was in a community language or by accreditation with the National Accreditation Authority for Translators and Interpreters (NAATI) at the professional level (Translator/Interpreter level).

For information on Australia's community languages, see

www.immi.gov.au/skilled/

Part C – About your partner

33 Partner's full name

(as shown in passport or travel document)

Family name

Given names

34 Name in his/her own language or script

(if applicable)

35 Other ways your partner spells his/her name

Family name

Given names

36 Name in Chinese Commercial Code Numbers

(if applicable)

37 Other names your partner is, or has been, known by (including name at birth, previous married names, aliases)

Reason for change

38 Sex Male Female

39 Date of birth

DAY MONTH YEAR
/ /

40 Place of birth

Town/city

Country

41 Details from your partner's passport
(provide details of the passport that your partner will use to enter Australia. Enter these details exactly how they appear in their passport)

Note: It is strongly recommended that the passport be valid for at least 6 months.

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

42 If your partner holds more than one passport please provide details of those passports

1. Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

2. Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Part D – Basic requirements for partner

Only give details of basic requirements for your partner **if their skills are to be considered in this application** and they are able to satisfy basic requirements including age, English language ability, qualification, nominated occupation, recent skilled work experience or the 2 year full-time study requirement.

49 Is your partner aged under 45 years?

No ► Your partner's skills cannot be considered for this application
 Yes

50 Language requirements

What evidence are you providing of your partner's English language ability?

You are using IELTS test or OET test results as evidence of your partner's English language ability – provide below the Test Report Form (TRF) Number or OET test report that is included on his/her IELTS certificate/OET certificate

Your partner has booked an English language test – provide details

Booking number

Date of booking DAY MONTH YEAR / /

NO evidence because your partner holds a current passport from Canada, New Zealand, Republic of Ireland, USA or UK.

51 Partner's qualification record

Provide details of your partner's post-secondary qualifications.

List the most recent first. Please include certified copies of academic transcripts with your application.

Qualification	Course name	Institution name	City/Country	Postcode of campus	Period	
					MONTH	YEAR
					FROM	/
					TO	/
					FROM	/
					TO	/
					FROM	/
					TO	/
					FROM	/
					TO	/

52 What is your partner's nominated occupation?

53 What is the ASCO code for your partner's nominated occupation?

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54 Has your partner **obtained** a skills assessment from the relevant assessing authority for their nominated occupation?

Note: Your partner's skills cannot be considered for this application until a suitable skills assessment is received.

No

Yes ► Name of assessing authority

Date of assessment DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Reference or receipt number

55 Partner's employment history

Provide details of your partner's past employment to demonstrate whether he/she meets the basic requirements for this visa and/or points for specific work experience.

List the most recent experience first.

Employer and city	Occupation/position	Period	
		MONTH	YEAR
		FROM	/
		TO	/
		FROM	/
		TO	/
		FROM	/
		TO	/
		FROM	/
		TO	/

Part E – Points test

56 Please indicate the points you are claiming for the following factors

Note: You should be aware that if, when your application is assessed, you are given an assessed points score lower than that you have claimed above then your application may not be successful.

It is not possible to add 'primary applicant' and 'partner' points together.

		Points	
		Primary applicant	Partner
	Skill		
	Age		
	English language ability		
	Specific employment		
	Australian employment		
	Australian education		
	Occupation in demand/job offer		
	Designated language		
	Regional and low-population growth Australia educational		
	Partner skill		
	State/territory government nomination		
	Designated area sponsorship		
	Total points		

Part F – Details of migrating family members

Give details of ALL your family members that are accompanying you to Australia.

57 Give details of all your and/or your partner's children who are under 18 years of age that **are to be INCLUDED in this application**

1. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY / MONTH / YEAR Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY / MONTH / YEAR

Date of expiry / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (*if applicable*) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

2. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY / MONTH / YEAR Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY / MONTH / YEAR

Date of expiry / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (*if applicable*) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

3. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY / MONTH / YEAR Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY / MONTH / YEAR

Date of expiry / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (*if applicable*) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

4. Family name

Given names

Date of birth / / Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue / /

Date of expiry / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

5. Family name

Given names

Date of birth / / Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue / /

Date of expiry / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

6. Family name

Given names

Date of birth / / Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue / /

Date of expiry / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

If you have more than 6 children who are under 18 years of age that are included in this application, please attach details to the back of this application form.

58 Are all the children aged under 18 years in your care and legal custody?

No ► Give details

Yes

59 Does any other person have custodial, access or guardianship rights to any of these children?

No

Yes ► Give details

60 Are there any legal impediments to the removal of any of these children from their home country?

No

Yes Give details

Empty text boxes for providing details of legal impediments.

61 Give details of all your and/or your partner's dependents over 18 years of age that are to be INCLUDED in this application

1. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Sex Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Date of expiry DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

How well does he/she communicate in English? Better than functional

Functional

Limited

Not at all

2. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Sex Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Date of expiry DAY MONTH YEAR / /

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

How well does he/she communicate in English? Better than functional

Functional

Limited

Not at all

3. Family name

Given names

Date of birth

Sex Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (*if applicable*) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

How well does he/she communicate in English? Better than functional

Functional

Limited

Not at all

4. Family name

Given names

Date of birth

Sex Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue

Date of expiry

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (*if applicable*) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

How well does he/she communicate in English? Better than functional

Functional

Limited

Not at all

5. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY MONTH YEAR

Sex Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY MONTH YEAR

Date of expiry DAY MONTH YEAR

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

How well does he/she communicate in English? Better than functional
 Functional
 Limited
 Not at all

6. Family name

Given names

Date of birth DAY MONTH YEAR

Sex Male Female

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Passport number

Country of passport

Date of issue DAY MONTH YEAR

Date of expiry DAY MONTH YEAR

Passport place of issue/issuing authority

Details of their identity card or identity number issued by his/her government (if applicable) eg. National identity card

Note: If they are the holder of multiple identity numbers because they are a citizen of more than one country, enter the identity number on the card from the country that they are a permanent resident of, or reside in.

Identity number

Country of issue

How well does he/she communicate in English? Better than functional
 Functional
 Limited
 Not at all

If you have more than 6 dependents over 18 years of age that are included in this application, please attach details to the back of this application form.

62 Give details of all your and/or your partner's other family members that **are to be INCLUDED in this application** (Include any dependent children of a dependant) (If not living, write DECEASED in 'Country of current residence' column)

Full name	Date of birth			Relationship status (use codes below)	Relationship to you	Country of current residence
	DAY	MONTH	YEAR			
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	/	/				
	/	/				
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	/	/				
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	/	/				

'Relationship status' codes

M = Married **D** = Divorced
E = Engaged **W** = Widowed
F = De facto **N** = Never married or been in
S = Separated a de facto relationship

63 Are any of your and/or your partner's children married, engaged to be married or in a de facto relationship?

No

Yes Give details

64 For migrating dependants 16 years of age or older, provide details of all countries in which they have lived for a total of 12 months or more during the last 10 years.

Country	Dates lived there		Last permanent address in that country <i>(include suburb/town/city and state/province)</i>	Who lived there? <i>(Provide full name)</i>
	FROM	TO		
	FROM	/		
	TO	/		
	FROM	/		
	TO	/		
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	FROM	/		
	TO	/		

Part G – Details of non-migrating dependents

65 Give details of all your and/or your partner's children under 18 years of age **who are NOT accompanying you to Australia**

1. Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /
DAY MONTH YEAR

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

2. Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /
DAY MONTH YEAR

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

3. Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /
DAY MONTH YEAR

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

4. Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /
DAY MONTH YEAR

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

5. Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /
DAY MONTH YEAR

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

6. Family name

Given names

Sex Male Female

Date of birth / /
DAY MONTH YEAR

Relationship to you

Country of birth

Country of residence

Citizenship

Part H – Details of other family members

66 Give details of ALL your and your partner's other family members, not already listed in Part F or Part G
(If not living, write 'DECEASED' in 'Country of current residence' column)

Full name	Sex	Date of birth			Relationship status (use codes below)	Country of current residence
	M/F	DAY	MONTH	YEAR		

Parents (including step-parents)

		/	/		
		/	/		
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		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		

Non-dependent children who are aged 18 years or over

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Brothers and sisters (including full, half, step and adopted brothers and sisters)

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'Relationship status' codes

- M** = Married
- E** = Engaged
- F** = De facto
- S** = Separated
- D** = Divorced
- W** = Widowed
- N** = Never married or been in a de facto relationship

71 If you are the holder of either a subclass 475 or 487 visa, have you visited or resided in a country other than Australia for more than 3 consecutive months since you were granted that visa?

No

Yes ► Give details

1. Country(s)

Date from / / to / /

2. Country(s)

Date from / / to / /

3. Country(s)

Date from / / to / /

If you are applying for one of the following visas:

- Skilled – Independent (subclass 175);
- Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 176);
- Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 475);
- Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 487);
- Skilled – Regional Sponsored (subclass 487) (12 month renewal);
- Skilled – Independent (subclass 885);
- Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 886); or
- Skilled – Regional (subclass 887).

► Go to Part K – Character requirements

72 In the last 5 years, have you, or any other person included in this application, visited, or lived, outside your country of passport for more than 3 consecutive months?

No

Yes ► Give details

1. Name

Country(s)

Date from / / to / /

2. Name

Country(s)

Date from / / to / /

3. Name

Country(s)

Date from / / to / /

73 Do you, or any other person included in this application, intend to enter a hospital or a health care facility (including nursing homes) while in Australia?

No

Yes ► Give details

74 Do you, or any other person included in this application, intend to work as, or study to be, a doctor, dentist, nurse or paramedic during your stay in Australia?

No

Yes ► Give details

75 Do you, or any other person included in this application, intend to work, or be a trainee, at a child care centre (including preschools and creches) while in Australia?

No

Yes ► Give details

76 Do you, or any other person included in this application, intend to be in a classroom situation for more than 3 months (eg. as either a student, teacher, lecturer, or observer)?

No

Yes ► Give details

Part L – Details of previous visa(s)

Warning: In general, a person can only hold one visa at a time. If you are granted a visa while you already have another, the first visa will cease automatically when the new visa is granted.

- 83** Give details of any Australian visa applications that you, or any person migrating with you, are awaiting a decision on (not including this one)

Full name	Type of visa	Date applied			Office applied at
		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		

- 84** Have you or any person included in this application previously been to Australia, held or currently hold a visa for travel to Australia?

No

Yes Give details of any previous visits to Australia by you or any person migrating with you

Full name	Type of visa	Visa number	Purpose and details of previous stay in Australia	Date of arrival and departure		
				DAY	MONTH	YEAR
				FROM	/	/
				TO	/	/
				FROM	/	/
				TO	/	/
				FROM	/	/
				TO	/	/
				FROM	/	/
				TO	/	/

- 85** Give details of any Australian entry permit or visa that you or any other person included in this application have had refused

Full name	Type of visa refused	Date refused			Office applied at
		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		

- 86** Give details of any Australian entry permit or visa that you or any other person included in this application had cancelled

Full name	Type of visa cancelled	Date cancelled			Office applied at
		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		
		/	/		

Part M – Skill Matching Database

The Skill Matching Database helps match skilled people with skilled vacancies or skill shortages in Australia. There is no additional charge for the applicant details to be listed on the Skill Matching Database. Applicants who have their details on the database are not guaranteed a job in Australia or migration application approval.

Note: The Skill Matching Database is not a job search facility. Applicants who choose not to include their details on the Skill Matching Database at the time of application will not have the option to include their details on a later date.

Do not fill in this Skill Matching Database section if you do not wish to be included on the Skill Matching Database.

Complete this section if you are applying under:

- **Skilled – Independent (subclass 175 or 885);** or
- **Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 176 or 886),**
categories.

Do NOT attach additional papers to this part of the form. Information provided in attachments will not be included in the database but may be requested at a later date. PLEASE FILL IN THE FORM USING BLOCK LETTERS

You will need to repeat some details you have previously given. The information you provide in this section will be entered on the Skill Matching Database and may be given to employers and Skill Matching Database organisations including state/territory governments, Regional Certifying Bodies and Area Consultative Committees in Australia who may facilitate skill matching. Completing this form will expand the range of sponsorship opportunities which might become available to you.

Main applicant

- 87** Describe your current occupation and duties. Please use technical and trade specific language if this would assist an employer to recognise your range of expertise. The information you enter will be available to employers that search the Skill Matching Database.
eg. I am currently employed at [company name] as a [job title] since [start month and year].
My duties include: [list relevant roles and responsibilities].

Describe any other qualifications and specialised training which may interest an employer. Do not include your current occupation and duties.

Job description	Duties	Employment	
		MONTH	YEAR
		FROM	/
		TO	/
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		TO	/

- 88** Name of association, membership of professional or trade associations and date of effect

Name of association/Membership you are affiliated with	Date of effect		
	DAY	MONTH	YEAR
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89 How did you hear about the Skill Matching Database?

Department's website	<input type="checkbox"/>	Departmental officer	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recruitment seminar/EXPO	<input type="checkbox"/>	Newspaper/Advertising	<input type="checkbox"/>
Migration agent	<input type="checkbox"/>		
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="text"/>	

90 Applicant's declaration

I declare that I understand the purpose of the information I have provided on this form. I consent to the details on this form being circulated to employers and Skill Matching Database organisations including state/territory governments, Regional Certifying Bodies and Area Consultative Committees in Australia who may facilitate skill matching. Specifically, the information that may be given to employers and Skill Matching Database organisations may include, but is not limited to, your added date, registered date, assessment date, visa application status, eligibility code and English proficiency.

Signature of primary applicant

Date / /

▶▶ When you have secured employment in Australia, please advise the department to remove your details from the Skill Matching Database.

Partner

Do not fill in this section if your partner does not wish to be included on the Skill Matching Database.

If your partner satisfies the basic requirements of General Skilled Migration (see Booklet 6, *General Skilled Migration*) they can also include their details on the Skill Matching Database if you are applying under:

- **Skilled – Independent (subclass 175 or 885);** or
- **Skilled – Sponsored (subclass 176 or 886),**
categories.

91 Describe their current occupation and duties. Please use technical and trade specific language if this would assist an employer to recognise their range of expertise. The information you enter will be available to employers that search the Skill Matching Database.

eg. I am currently employed at [company name] as a [job title] since [start month and year].

My duties include: [list relevant roles and responsibilities].

Describe any other qualifications and specialised training which may interest an employer. Do not include their current occupation and duties.

Job description	Duties	Employment	
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92 Name of association, membership of professional or trade associations and date of effect

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93 Partner's declaration

I declare that I understand the purpose of the information I have provided on this form. I consent to the details on this form being circulated to employers and Skill Matching Database organisations including state/territory governments, Regional Certifying Bodies and Area Consultative Committees in Australia who may facilitate skill matching. Specifically, the information that may be given to employers and Skill Matching Database organisations may include, but is not limited to, your: added date, registered date, assessment date, visa application status, eligibility code and English proficiency.

Signature of partner

Date

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
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► **When they have secured employment in Australia, please advise the department to remove their details from the Skill Matching Database.**

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Part N – Assistance with this form

94 Did you receive assistance in completing this form?

No ▶ Go to Part O

Yes ▶ Please give details of the person who assisted you

Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

Family name

Given names

Address

POSTCODE

Telephone number or daytime contact

	COUNTRY CODE	AREA CODE	NUMBER
Office hours	()	()	
Mobile/cell			

95 Is the person an agent registered with the Office of the Migration Agents Registration Authority (Office of the MARA)?

No

Yes ▶ Go to Part O

96 Is this person/agent in Australia?

No ▶ Go to Part O

Yes

97 Did you pay the person/agent and/or give a gift for this assistance?

No

Yes

Part O – Options for receiving written communications

98 All written communications about this application should be sent to: *(Tick one box only)*

Myself ▶ All written communications will be sent to the address for communications that you have provided in this form.

OR

Authorised recipient ▶ You must complete form 956 *Appointment of a migration agent or exempt agent or other authorised recipient* and attach it to this application form. Form 956 is available from the department's website

OR

Migration agent ▶ **www.immi.gov.au**

OR

Agent exempt from registration

Part P – Payment details

99 How will you pay your application charge?

Note: In Australia, debit card or credit card are the preferred methods of payment. Debit cards cannot be used for applications lodged by mail.

I have already paid ▶ Please attach evidence of payment provided by the office of the department or overseas mission

Bank cheque ▶ Please make payable to:
Department of Immigration and Citizenship

Money order ▶ **Note:** Ensure that cheques and money orders are valid for at least 12 months to allow sufficient time for processing

Debit card ▶ Cannot be used for applications lodged by mail

Credit card ▶ Give details below

Payment by *(tick one box)*

MasterCard <input type="checkbox"/>	Diners Club <input type="checkbox"/>	Australian Dollars <input type="text"/>
American Express <input type="checkbox"/>	JCB <input type="checkbox"/>	
Visa <input type="checkbox"/>		

AUD

Credit card number

Expiry date

MONTH / YEAR

Cardholder's name

Telephone number

(AREA CODE)

Address

POSTCODE

Signature of cardholder

Credit card information will be used for charge paying purposes only.
Note: Ensure that any credit card used has at least 6 months validity remaining at time of payment and can be used to make a payment in Australia for the required amount.

Part Q – Declarations

100 ACKNOWLEDGMENT REGARDING SOCIAL SECURITY AND EMPLOYMENT

This acknowledgment must be signed by the primary applicant and each accompanying person aged 16 years or over.

I understand that if granted a visa:

- there is a two-year waiting period after gaining permanent residency for social security payments, including unemployment benefits, for most newly arrived migrants;
- I will need to have enough money to support myself if I hold a provisional visa and for the first 2 years I am a permanent resident, and if I run out of money or fail to get a job in that period, that would not be sufficient reason to make me eligible for social security income support payments;
- the cost of living in Australia, compared to many other countries, is high;
- approval to migrate does not guarantee employment in Australia and that it is entirely my own responsibility to secure employment after arrival, including investigating my prospects before I arrive in Australia;
- work availability varies significantly from time to time in different parts of Australia and that for many jobs in Australia, applicants must be eligible for membership of a professional or industry organisation and/or be able to be registered or licensed with an Australian state authority before working in a particular occupation.

Signature of primary applicant

Date / /

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

101 AUSTRALIAN VALUES STATEMENT

This statement must be signed by the main applicant and each person aged 18 years or over who is included in this application.

I confirm that I have read, or had explained to me, information provided by the Australian Government on Australian society and values.

I understand:

- Australian society values respect for the freedom and dignity of the individual, freedom of religion, commitment to the rule of law, Parliamentary democracy, equality of men and women and a spirit of egalitarianism that embraces mutual respect, tolerance, fair play and compassion for those in need and pursuit of the public good;
- Australian society values equality of opportunity for individuals, regardless of their race, religion or ethnic background;
- the English language, as the national language, is an important unifying element of Australian society.

I undertake to respect these values of Australian society during my stay in Australia and to obey the laws of Australia.

I understand that, if I should seek to become an Australian citizen:

- Australian citizenship is a shared identity, a common bond which unites all Australians while respecting their diversity;
- Australian citizenship involves reciprocal rights and responsibilities. The responsibilities of Australian citizenship include obeying Australian laws, including those relating to voting at elections and serving on a jury.

If I meet the legal qualifications for becoming an Australian citizen and my application is approved I understand that I would have to pledge my loyalty to Australia and its people.

Signature of main applicant

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

Signature

Name

102 DECLARATION FOR ALL APPLICANTS

WARNING: Giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

- *I declare that the information I have supplied in this application is complete, correct and up-to-date in every detail.*
- *I understand that if I, or third parties acting on my behalf, provide false or misleading information or bogus documents either knowingly or otherwise my visa application will be refused or any visa granted may be cancelled.*
- *I understand that if this application is approved, any person not included in this application will not have automatic right of entry to Australia by way of this application.*
- *I will inform the department of any changes to my personal circumstances (including change of address) while my application is being considered.*
- *I authorise the Australian Government to make any enquiries necessary to determine my eligibility for permanent stay in Australia, and to use any information supplied in this application for that purpose. The agencies/organisations to which information may be disclosed include:*
 - federal, state or territory government agencies;
 - federal, state or territory law enforcement agencies;
 - state or territory housing authorities (including private landlords);
 - local government authorities;
 - financial institutions;
 - educational institutions; and
 - private businesses (including telecommunication and internet service providers, insurance companies).
- *I have read and understood the information supplied to me in this application.*
- *I consent to my details and information about my visa application being provided to employers, Commonwealth and state/territory governments and regional organisations in Australia, who may facilitate skill matching (if applicable).*
- *I consent to information about my visa application being provided to my nominating state/territory or Regional Certifying Body (if applicable).*

Have you completed the visa specific checklist from the department's website www.immi.gov.au/skilled/

No ▶ Please complete the checklist

Yes ▶ Include it with your application

**Signature
of primary
applicant**

Date

DAY	MONTH	YEAR
/	/	

When lodging your application do NOT place the application in any binder, folder or plastic sleeve.

We strongly advise that you keep a copy of your application and all attachments for your records.