



# New Colombo Plan—delivers on diversity

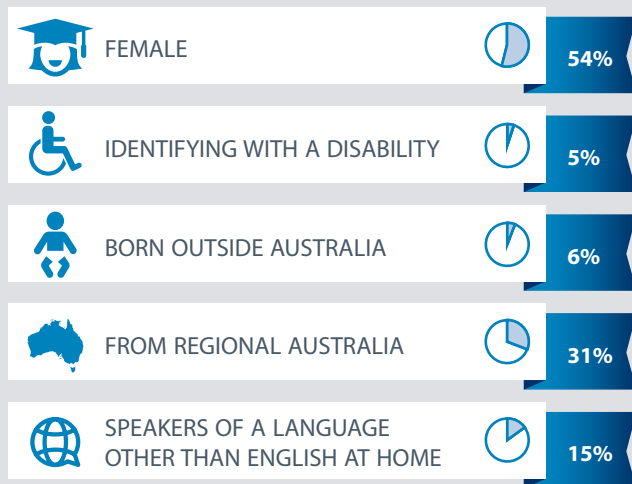
The New Colombo Plan encourages students from all disciplines and diverse socio-economic backgrounds to participate, including Indigenous Australians, people with disability, LGBTQI persons, and students from regional and remote areas.

## New Colombo Plan achieves diverse student profile



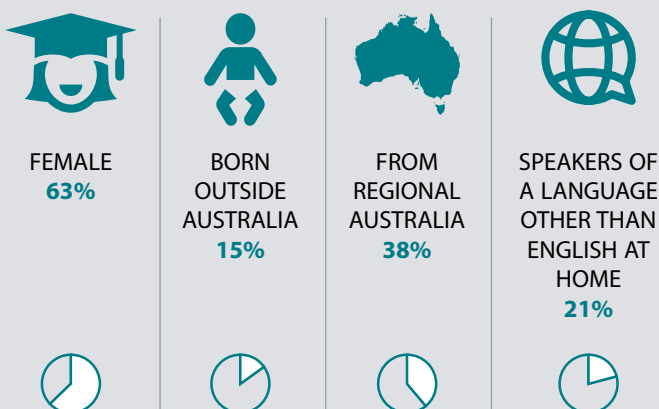
- > A clear picture of diversity emerged from questionnaires given to returning students by the Australian Survey Research Group in 2016–17.

### SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ARE:



\* sample of 127 returned scholars

### MOBILITY GRANT RECIPIENTS ARE:



\* sample of 3667 returned mobility students

## The New Colombo Plan has measurably positive impact on diversity



According to Professor Kent Anderson, University of Western Australia, studies show that “the New Colombo Plan has a measurably positive impact on diversity such as encouraging a greater portion of low and medium socioeconomic students to study abroad.”

## Scholarships



APPROXIMATELY ONE PER CENT OF SCHOLARS IN LAST FOUR ROUNDS HAVE IDENTIFIED AS BEING INDIGENOUS.

**In 2017 the New Colombo Plan launched two initiatives to encourage greater participation by Indigenous students:**

- > the introduction of the Indigenous Fellow Award for the top-ranked Indigenous scholar
- > the appointment of an Indigenous New Colombo Plan Alumni Ambassador.

## Mobility Grants



- > Mobility Grants offer flexibility on the age range criteria to facilitate the involvement of Indigenous, regional and mature age students
- > Mobility grant selections are weighted 40 per cent in favour of projects targeting ‘student groups that would not otherwise have the opportunity to undertake a mobility experience.’