Letter of Authority from the Department of Education and Child Development (DECD)

If you are an Australia Awards Scholarship student applying for Family Entry and have or will have school aged dependent children joining you in Australia, you will need to submit a Letter of Authority along with the Australia Awards Student Dependant Visa application.

The Letter of Authority confirms your eligibility for the *dependant child’s school fee-waiver*. This document is issued by the Department of Education and Child Development (DECD) and you will need to apply for it through the International Student Centre.

Please provide the ISC with the following documents to apply for the Letter of Authority;

- Copy of your passport information page
- Copy of your visa
- Copy of the child’s passport
- Completed “Dependant of Scholarship Holder fee waiver Application form”. This can be downloaded from the link below; http://www.internationalstudents.sa.edu.au/children-of-south-australian-government-endorsed-s
  (* note - if you have more than one dependent child starting their schooling in Adelaide, you will have to complete a separate form for each child).

Please send these documents and completed application form to Gus (augustine.bhaskarraj@adelaide.edu.au). He will forward them to the DECD.

DECD will provide you with the “Letter of Authority” in 2-3 weeks directly to the e-mail address that you provide in the form. Once you get that letter, you can use that letter for applying dependant visa for your child.