



Advanced Political Leadership Program 2023



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FOR POLITICAL LEADERSHIP**

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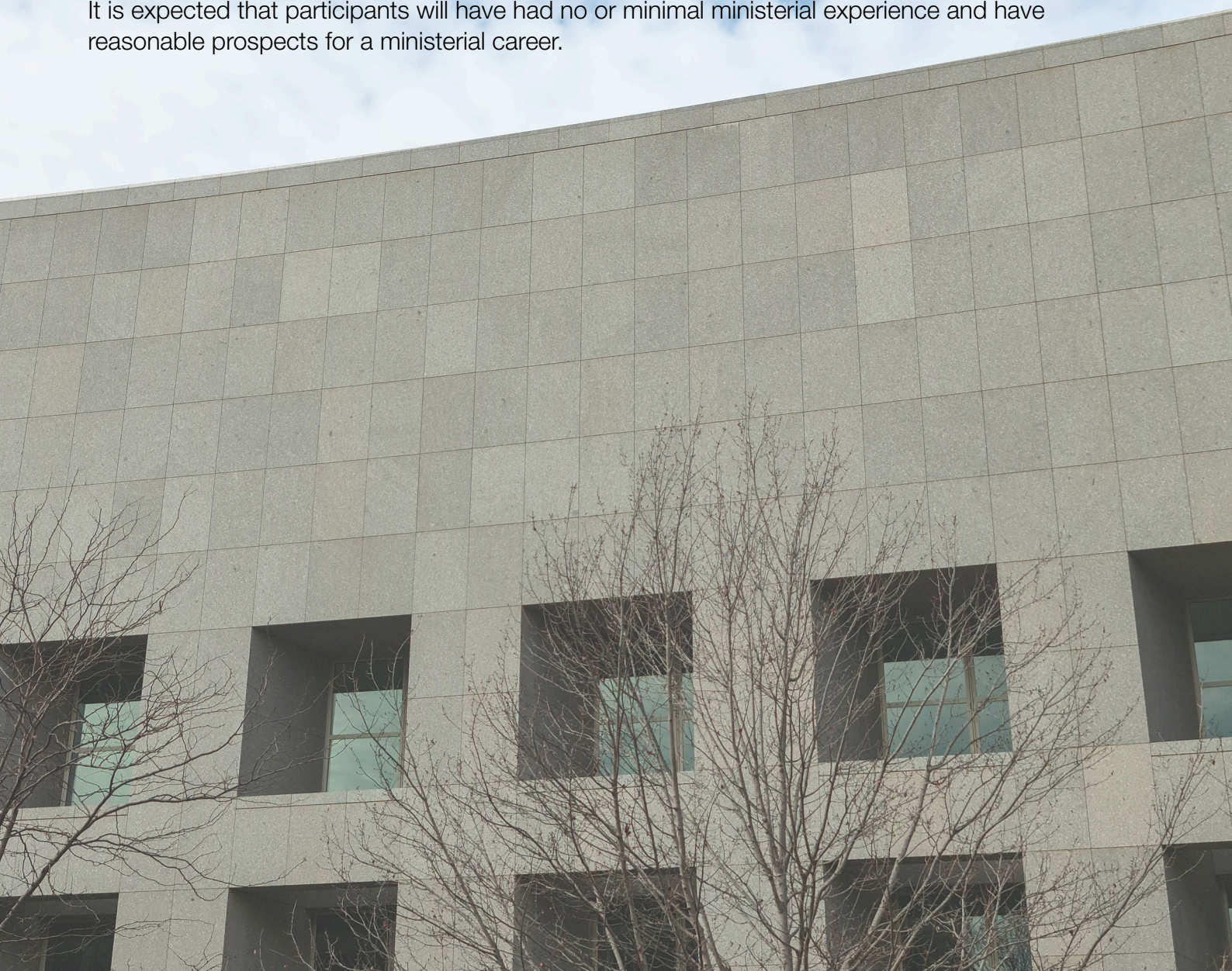
Advanced Political Leadership is a four-month, cohort based, face-to-face program designed to help you prepare for ministerial life, and enhance impact and influence through your career.

This unique program challenges participants to lead effectively, legitimately and with an understanding of their democratic stewardship responsibilities. It has been developed with insights from experienced and successful political leaders, and evolved with detailed feedback from past participants. The curriculum is practical and applied, and challenges participants to prepare for their future roles through a combination of self-reflection, structured small group work and whole-of-cohort dialogues.

Supported by professional facilitation, participants will hear from and engage with an unparalleled line up of:

- Former leaders, ministers and senior advisers;
- Highly respected policy and public service leaders; and
- Global thought leaders on a range of policy, politics and leadership topics.

APL is a non-partisan program that is open to MPs from the federal, state and territory parliaments. It is expected that participants will have had no or minimal ministerial experience and have reasonable prospects for a ministerial career.



PROGRAM INFORMATION



An intensive five-day residential retreat, involving leading national and global presenters in the Adelaide Hills, South Australia.



Five curated half-day workshops (including two online) to provide a wider variety of perspectives on modern political leadership.

Advanced Political Leadership will focus on:

- **Your job as a minister**, including key processes such as your formal accountability requirements; how your role relates to Cabinet, ERC, budget and legislative processes.
- **Your personal leadership**, including how successful policy reforms are developed and implemented; and your need to build trusted relationships with the public service, your office, your colleagues and your stakeholders.
- **Your context**, including the major trends and forces reshaping advanced democracies; and your need to value and draw on a diversity of expertise in what are often adversarial and contested political environments.

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RESIDENTIAL INTENSIVE
(Adelaide Hills)

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WORKSHOP 1
(Online)

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WORKSHOP 2
(Melbourne)

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WORKSHOP 3
(Melbourne)

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OCT

WORKSHOP 4
(Online)

TBA

WORKSHOP 5
& GRADUATION
(Location TBA)

The total cost of the program is \$24,000 (plus GST). Successful applicants will be provided with a full scholarship funded by the McKinnon Institute, covering the costs of tuition, the residential intensive and all meals and refreshments.

PROGRAM PRESENTERS **INCLUDE**



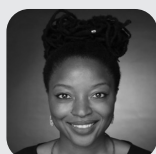
Lil Anderson

Chief Executive, The Office for
Māori Crown Relations, New Zealand



Hon Mike Baird AO

Former Premier of New South Wales



Farayi Chipungu

Harvard Kennedy School



Dr Blair Comley

Former Director General, NSW
Department of Premier and Cabinet



Wayne Eagleson

Former Chief of Staff to the Prime
Minister of New Zealand



Hon Kate Ellis

Former Federal Minister



Hon Julia Gillard AC

Former Prime Minister of Australia



Professor Richard Hall

Deputy Dean, Leadership and Executive
Education, Monash Business School



Professor Ian Harper AO

Reserve Bank of Australia Board Member;
Dean, Melbourne Business School



Hon Jill Hennessy

Former Victorian Attorney General
and Minister for Health; Monash
Vice-Chancellor's Professorial Fellow



Yuval Levin

American Enterprise Institute; prominent
political commentator and former
adviser to President George W Bush



Hon Nadiem Anwar Makarim

Indonesian Minister of Education,
Culture, Research and Technology



Dr Don Russell

Former Australian Ambassador to the
US; Former Secretary, SA Department
of Premier and Cabinet



Professor Peter Shergold AC FRSN

Former Secretary of the Department of
Prime Minister and Cabinet



Hon Jay Weatherill AO

Former Premier of South Australia



Jeff Whalan AO

Jeff Whalan Learning Group



Danielle Wood

CEO, Grattan Institute

PROGRAM FACILITATORS



Professor Rod Glover is Academic Director at the McKinnon Institute. One of Australia's leading thinkers on policy reform, Rod's roles have included Senior Adviser to the Prime Minister and Deputy Secretary of Victoria's Department of Premier and Cabinet.



Professor Anne Tiernan is Head of Research at the McKinnon Institute. One of Australia's most eminent political scientists, Anne has been at the forefront of debates about Australian democracy and the relevance of its democratic institutions.



The Hon. Arthur Sinodinos AO has been a senator and minister, and chief of staff to the Prime Minister. One of Australia's most respected political figures, Arthur has recently completed his term as Australia's Ambassador to the United States.

INDEPENDENT SELECTION PANEL



Dr Heather Smith PSM FAIA has had 20 years' experience in the Australian Public Service at senior levels covering economic, foreign affairs and intelligence matters. She has served as Secretary of the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science and the Department of Communications and the Arts, and Deputy Secretary in the Departments of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Foreign Affairs and Trade. She was also Deputy Director-General of the Office of National Intelligence, and held positions in the Australian Treasury and Reserve Bank. She was the G20 Sherpa in 2014 during Australia's Presidency. Heather is now a non-executive director of ASX-listed companies, a Professor at ANU's National Security College and President of the Australian Institute of International Affairs.



The Hon. Colin Barnett was the Premier of WA from 2008-17. Elected in 1990, he served as Leader or Deputy Leader of the Liberal Party for every election from 1993 to 2017. He held numerous policy portfolios, including Resource Development, Energy, Education, State Development and Treasury. Colin oversaw major energy reforms and developments, building a special relationship between Western Australia and China in an era that saw a major expansion in energy and resources exports.



The Hon. Andrew Fraser was a Labor Member of the Queensland Parliament from 2004 to 2012, and was Treasurer of Queensland from 2007 to 2012. He was the second youngest Treasurer in Queensland's history (at age 30). In his political career, Andrew also held the portfolios of Deputy Premier, Employment, Economic Development, State Development and Trade. Post-politics, Andrew has been a professional director with a wide range of roles across the private, public and charitable sectors. In 2022, he was appointed as Chancellor of Griffith University.

IS THIS PROGRAM RIGHT FOR ME ?

APL helps to prepare parliamentarians to be ministers. It is targeted at federal, state or territory parliamentarians who have not had significant recent experience as a minister. Shadow Ministers, Assistant Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries, in particular, are encouraged to apply.

APL does require a significant time commitment from its participants, with attendance required at all workshops. The criteria taken into account by the independent selection panel in assessing applications are demonstrated leadership potential, personal drive, self-awareness, adaptability and willingness to learn.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications are now invited for the McKinnon Institute's flagship program Advanced Political Leadership (APL) 2023, for current members of parliament who are potential ministers in the short to medium term.

To submit your application, send an email to **apl@mckinnoninstitute.org.au** including your full CV, and a short response (max 500 words in total) to the following questions:

- What drew you to a political career and what is the legacy you would like to leave?
- What policy challenge do you care most about and wish to have an impact on?
- Why have you applied for APL?

**Applications close 6.00pm AEST
Thursday 20 April**

Formal applications will be assessed by the independent selection panel and shortlisted candidates will be notified of the outcome of their application in May 2023.

It is expected that a maximum of 20 participants will be selected.

If you have any further questions regarding the program or the application process, please reach out to Darren Disney, Head of Engagement on 0488 660 170.

PAST PARTICIPANTS

2022

Angie Bell MP	Julian Leaser MP
Josh Burns MP	Peta Murphy MP
Amanda Camm MP	Sam O'Connor MP
The Hon. Mia Davies MLA	Senator James Paterson
The Hon. Felix Ellis MP	Gurmeh Singh MP
The Hon. Scott Farlow MLC	Senator Marielle Smith
The Hon. John Graham MLC	Kate Thwaites MP
Ella Haddad MP	The Hon. Andrew Wallace MP
Nicole Lawder MLA	Josh Wilson MP

2021

Dr Katie Allen MP	The Hon. Sonya Kilkenney MP
Senator Andrew Bragg	Dr Fiona Martin MP
Sharon Claydon MP	Senator the Hon. Jenny McAllister
The Hon. Mark Coure MP	Lance McCallum MP
Senator Perin Davey	Dr Daniel Mulino MP
The Hon. James Griffin MP	Hon Amanda Rishworth MP
The Hon. Jo Haylen MP	The Hon. Tim Watts MP
Julian Hill MP	The Hon. Tim Wilson MP

WHAT OUR GRADUATES SAY ABOUT THE PROGRAM

“ The Advanced Political Leadership program delivered by the McKinnon Institute is a rare and completely unique opportunity for parliamentarians to step out of the day to day of political life and reflect on what we hope to achieve for our country during our time in office and how best to achieve it. I'm grateful for the insights gained about how to navigate complex policy issues, achieve ambitious reform and deliver for our constituents. The program also provided a forum for honest dialogue with parliamentary colleagues across the aisle about the challenges our country faces, and the shared sacrifices and burdens of public life. I thoroughly recommend it.

Senator James Paterson

Senator for Victoria

Advanced Political Leadership 2022

“ I cannot state strongly enough how fortunate I feel to have been part of the 2022 APL program with the McKinnon Institute.

This program not only provides participants with the opportunity to learn from nation and world leading experts across a range of policy areas, but also provides foundational training on our roles as parliamentarians.

In particular, participants are afforded the time to deeply consider the responsibility we each hold as custodians of our public institutions.

The roles we have as elected representatives are quite unique in that there are no particular pre-requisites, no formal professional development and no traditional job description.

The McKinnon Institute is providing a transformative learning opportunity that will benefit all participants as well as the communities they represent. It would be fantastic if it were compulsory training for all MPs when newly elected.

Thank you to the generosity of the McKinnon Institute and all involved in creating this opportunity. I look forward to continuing to learn from the presenters and my fellow 2022 Alumni as we continue our political careers.

Ella Haddad MP

State Member for Clark, TAS Parliament

Advanced Political Leadership 2022

“ To the incredibly dedicated team at the McKinnon Institute, Thank you for the fantastic opportunity to be a scholar in the Class of 2022 from your Advanced Political Leadership Program.

It was clear from day one that the coursework and guest presenters were relevant, meaningful and thought provoking across wide and varied topics and discussions.

As a professional development opportunity for MPs and Senators, I highly recommend this course to those who seek to develop the necessary skills to prepare for the road ahead-life in politics and beyond.

Angie Bell MP

Federal Member for Moncrieff

Advanced Political Leadership 2022

“ I was very fortunate to be one of the MPs who participated in the 2022 McKinnon Institute Advanced Political Leadership program.

Throughout this year's program, we experienced a series of workshops, and a week-long residential intensive program full of high-quality presentations from experts in politics, academia, economics and foreign policy.

One of the most valuable aspects of participating in the McKinnon Institute was getting to know MPs from other states and other parties.

The McKinnon Institute granted us the unique experience of engaging in deep thinking on where our country is, where it can go and what our role is to lead it there.

Anyone who is serious about the craft of politics and the future of our country should seriously consider applying for the McKinnon Institute's Advanced Political Leadership program.

Josh Burns MP

Federal Member for Macnamara

Advanced Political Leadership 2022

“ When you're elected to Parliament there is a very steep learning curve. It can take months to learn the ropes and longer again to be competent and comfortable in the role. And unlike the commercial sector, there is very little relevant professional development available to MP's. The McKinnon Institute's Advanced Political Leadership Program builds on the skills MP's have built early in their careers so they can become the next generation of leaders - leaders who are more effectively able to deliver on their visions because they have the right tools and training.

The course covers a broad range of topics and encourages participants to think deeply about why they entered politics and how they can be most effective at their jobs. I particularly enjoyed some of the theory we learnt about power and leadership – they're lessons that carry over beyond parliament.

Any MP who is serious about taking the next step in their career should seriously consider this course – you won't regret it.

Gurmesh Singh MP

State Member for Coffs Harbour, NSW Parliament

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“ McKinnon brought together speakers and facilitators with a global view to challenge theories and practicalities to upholding our democratic institutions to a high standard. Leadership is developed and the McKinnon Institute has delivered a program that is both challenging and inclusive of the foundations and realities of political leadership in modern Australia through a supportive and interactive style of delivery.

Amanda Camm MP

Member for Whitsunday, QLD Parliament

Advanced Political Leadership Program 2022

“ The APL program made me think about issues and in ways that challenged and extended me. I have been surprised at how often I have used the techniques we were taught for having a difficult conversation and ‘active’ listening. For anyone thinking about applying for the course – do it. It is a unique mix of practical and theoretical content, in an environment that fosters personal growth. The opportunity to learn and engage with parliamentarians from different jurisdictions and political parties gave me a broader and more generous perspective. Other APL graduates and I now quite commonly comment on whether our behaviour is ‘McKinnon-esque’! Should I ever be given the opportunity to be a Minister, I will be a much better one now than I would have been before completing APL. And if I am not, APL has made me a better parliamentarian, for which I am grateful.

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Peta Murphy MP

Federal Member for Dunkley

Advanced Political Leadership Program 2022

“ I am very grateful to have been able to participate in this amazing program. The calibre of presenters and the depth and breadth of knowledge was outstanding. I learned so much and took away useful tools, knowledge and contacts. Collaborative and supportive environment. Highly recommend the Advanced Political Leadership course.

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Nicole Lawder MLA

State Member for Brindabella, ACT Parliament

Advanced Political Leadership 2022

“ The Advanced Political Leadership Program is an opportunity to step back from the daily cut and thrust of politics and reflect on why you’re there and what you want to do.

The McKinnon Institute was able to draw together some of the greatest leaders and minds for a real-world perspective on political leadership, warts and all.

The course covers the entire gamut of challenges on your political journey and you’re able to engage in a way where you get a practical and lived experience of how to get things done.

It’s rare in politics to be able to get this opportunity and I’d recommend the Advanced Political Leadership Program to all of my colleagues not just for their own development, but the development of better public policy across our Parliaments.

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The Hon Scott Farlow MLC

Member of the Legislative Council, NSW Parliament

Advanced Political Leadership 2022

“ Most of us put our hands up for public life because we believe in service and in the power of politics to make a positive difference for our communities. The Advanced Political Leadership Program focused on the ‘how’ in a way which was academically robust, proudly practical and delivered in an engaging and meaningful way. I loved being part of it and am proud to be associated with its objectives.

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Senator Marielle Smith

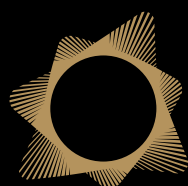
Senator for South Australia

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The McKinnon Institute is Australia’s only organisation dedicated to providing professional development programs for state and federal MPs.

The McKinnon Institute is a partnership between Monash University and the Susan McKinnon Foundation, and is non-partisan and not-for-profit.

It is committed to raising the standard of political leadership by offering professional development for members of parliament.



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