

Dear Member of Parliament of Australia,

My name is . I am Venezuelan and I arrived in Australia 4,5 years ago with the purpose to do Master studies. I completed English courses at Uni including English for Academic Purposes which it means my English level is at proficient English (IELTS 6). During my studies, I not just practiced my English. Also, I meet students from different countries and of course Australian classmates that now some of them are my friends. I had been involved in volunteer jobs from Uni during that time. So, I consider I integrated myself into the Australian community successfully, and that includes to understand Australian values. An example of that, I helped to sell sausages at Bunning's entrance for raise funds for Rotary Club for their projects to help others in need.

In the other hand, my husband supported me in the decision to move temporarily to Australia for my studies, and he was lucky to find a job in his profession four months after I started the master. About six months ago we got a Permanent Residency thanks to a sponsored visa (Employer Nomination Subclass-186) by the company where he is still working.

I consider that cases like mine are not just exceptions. My recommendation is to review this type of cases people who already demonstrated good English levels, who are also part of this community, and in my case, we are tax payers since before to be Permanent Residents and Australia is now our home. At the time when we took that decision, the conditions were clear. People who already have Permanent Residency should have the right to apply to the citizen after a year of been permanent residents. If the government implement changes like this, how can I think the government won't modify the conditions of citizenship requirements while we will be waiting for that period again?

I believe in the good spirit of Australians. Hope the times of White Policy won't come back to Australia anymore because we are part of a globalized and modern world.

Kind Regards,