

**Terms and Conditions of the Award  
Nanyang President's Graduate Scholarship (NPGS)**

1. The Award is for full-time studies and tenable at the Nanyang Technological University ("NTU")
2. The details of the Award are as follows :

Items	Value
(a) International student will receive a monthly stipend of S\$3,000 per month for up to four (4 )years #	S\$36,000/year
(b) Tuition/research fee annually during the prescribed period of the Award	In full (for four (4) years candidature)
(c) Conference allowance up to S\$4,000 per financial year (April previous year to March current year)	S\$16,000 (for four (4) years candidature)
(d) One time IT allowance	S\$1,500
(e) Annual grant of S\$500 for relevant journal subscription and book purchase	S\$2,000 (for four (4) years candidature)
(f) One time thesis preparation allowance. It will be disbursed at the end of scholarship renewal.	S\$600
(g) Priority for campus accommodation upon renewal of award (subject to availability on a yearly basis).	

# After the first year, the award can be renewed for up to a maximum of another three (3) years based on your good progress and performance, and subject to the availability of research funding. After passing your Ph.D. Qualifying Examination/Confirmation and being confirmed as a Ph.D. student the stipend may continued, subject to good research performance, the attainment of required standards for courses taken, satisfactory completion of any compulsory course(s) and/or other requirements as directed by the University, and the recommendation of the school. Generally our Ph.D. students take three (3) to four (4) years to complete their programme

3. The Award is given on the condition that:
  - (a) you pass the required medical examination;
  - (b) you matriculate as a student of the University and undertake your studies as a full-time student;
  - (c) you exhibit due diligence and satisfactory performance; and
  - (d) the awardee must reside in Singapore during the duration of the award. As full-time student, he/she is expected to report to the School of study and/or supervisor at the University during the period of the award, except during period(s) of approved leave
4. The effective date of the NPGS award for newly registered full-time student will be the commencement date of the relevant semester or the actual date of registration, whichever is later. However, award for candidate who is currently employed will only begin after he/she ceases to draw a salary from the employer.
5. The NPGS award will be renewed if the Awardee meets the following criteria:
  - (a) Maintain a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 4.0 for coursework requirements; and
  - (b) Must pass the Ph.D. Qualifying Examination within the stipulated period
6. **Progress Reports**  
You are to submit periodic progress reports on your research work. Should you fail to pursue the research programme to the satisfaction of the University, the University has absolute discretion to adjust, suspend, or terminate the Award at any time.
7. **Scholarship Period**  
The Award is for one (1) year and may be renewed annually, for a maximum of three (3) additional years, subject to your good progress and performance, and the availability of research funding.
8. **Thesis Submission**  
You are required to submit a thesis for examination no later than the deadline for thesis submission as stipulated by the School.
9. Upon your passing the qualifying exam and confirmation of Ph.D. candidature, you will be expected to undertake some undergraduate teaching within the university **up to 16 hours per week**.
10. Except for 9 above, You may not be on paid employment or hold concurrently any other scholarship or fellowship during the prescribed period of the scholarship. Failure to declare will result in your refund to the University of an amount up to the total emoluments received by you under the terms of the Scholarship, unless the University otherwise determines.
11. You must fulfil the requirements of the Graduate Assistantship Programme as set out in Annex A.  
You are to note that:
  - (a) the total time spent on work done under the Graduate Assistantship Programme and any other form of paid or unpaid work shall not exceed sixteen (16) hours a week;
  - (b) the total hours required under the Graduate Assistantship Programme should be completed before expiry of the Award or before thesis submission (whichever is earlier).
12. If you are a Singapore Citizen or Singapore Permanent Resident, you shall, if required by the School, assist in teaching/laboratory supervision/research duties and other developmental assignments without any remuneration. The total number of hours shall not exceed fifty per cent (50%) of hours required under the Graduate Assistantship Programme for International students set out in Annex A.

13. The University reserves the right to terminate the Award:
  - (a) at any time without notice if, in the University's opinion, your progress is not satisfactory or for any misconduct or any other similar reason; or
  - (b) at any time without notice if you breach or fail to perform or comply with any of these terms and conditions; or
  - (c) at any time without notice if you fail to, or are unable to, continue or complete the higher degree as originally intended, due to any reason (e.g. downgrading from Ph.D. to Master); or
  - (d) at any time by giving one (1) month's notice in writing to you without assigning any reasons therefor.
  
14. If you wish to terminate the Award, you are required to give the University one (1) month's notice in writing. Please write through your supervisor, Head of Division and Chair of School to express your intention of termination.
  
15. In the circumstances the Award is terminated for any reason whatsoever or when you are being downgraded or you wish to downgrade your candidature in, or withdraw from, the programme for whatever reason, in addition to the forfeiture of one (1) month's stipend, you are required to refund to the University an amount up to the total Award stipends received by you under the terms of the Award, unless the University otherwise determines.
  
16. You will cease to receive the Award if any of the situations below occurs:
  - (a) If you convert your status to a part-time candidature or if you do not wish to renew the Award, you are deemed to have terminated the Award under clause 13; or
  - (b) If your candidature is downgraded from Ph.D. to Master's degree programme; or
  - (c) If you withdraw from the research programme; or
  - (d) If your candidature is terminated; or
  - (e) If you have committed a criminal offence; or
  - (f) If you have committed a disciplinary offence pursuant to the University's Statutes and Regulations.
  
17. The University reserves the right to change any of the terms and conditions of this Award at any time by written notice. All such changes shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Award. In particular, the University reserves the right to vary the amount of the Award stipend at any time by giving you one (1) month's written notice.
  
18. **Intellectual Integrity**  
All students are not to engage in practices that violate intellectual honesty and integrity. Students who are found guilty of such practices will be dealt with according to the University's disciplinary regulations.
  
19. **Intellectual Property Rights**  
As a student at NTU, you will be subjected to NTU's "Policy on Intellectual Property, Technology Transfer and Research Collaborations" (the "IP Policy") as amended from time to time. A copy of the [IP Policy](#) can be obtained from the website of the Nanyang Technological University - NTUitive Pte Ltd (NTUitive).  
  
Under the current IP Policy, NTU will generally claim ownership of the rights to the intellectual property (IP) created by a student under the following circumstances:
  - (a) If the student receives financial support (e.g. allowances, salary, stipend, grants) from or through NTU;
  - (b) If the IP is developed under a research collaboration between NTU and an external party;
  - (c) If the student substantially uses NTU's resources to develop the IP. The mere use of the library, computers or storage servers at NTU is not considered a substantial use of NTU's resources.
  
20. **For candidates who are not Singapore Citizens/Permanent Residents**  
The offer of this Award is conditional upon your being issued a valid student's pass by the Singapore Immigration and Checkpoints Authority and maintaining a valid student's pass for the entire duration of your studies for the higher degree.
  
21. These Terms and Conditions of the Award and all enclosures hereto contain the entire agreement between you and the University and supersede any prior oral or written agreements, commitments, understandings or communication with respect to this subject matter and may only be amended or modified by a supplemental agreement signed by both parties.

**GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIP PROGRAMME**  
**PREMIUM SCHOLARSHIP**

International Students on NTU Research Scholarship who are admitted from AY2014/2015 must perform teaching/ laboratory supervision duties to fulfil the requirements of the Graduate Assistantship Programme.

<b>Degree</b>	<b>Total Hours Required to Serve during Candidature</b>
PhD	312 hours

The Scholar is to note that:

- (i) The total time spent on work done under the Graduate Assistantship Programme and any other form of paid or unpaid work, should not exceed **sixteen (16) hours a week**;
- (ii) The Scholar must ensure that the total hours required under the Graduate Assistantship Programme is completed at least six (6) months before graduation; and
- (iii) The School, at its discretion, may or may not remunerate the Scholar for performing teaching duties and other developmental assignments in excess of the Graduate Assistantship Programme.

The table below sets out the maximum hours that can be clocked under the respective categories:

<b>Mode of Clocking Graduate Assistantship Programme Hours (per candidature)</b>	<b>PhD</b>	<b>Remarks</b>
<b>Teaching/Laboratory Supervision (max.100%)</b>	312	Official office hours and preparation of the class can be taken into account.  As a guide, preparation time taken for the assignment should not take more than half of the time required for the assignment.
<b>Research assistant duty, inclusive of research supervision (max.60%)</b>	up to 188	The quality of the research supervision or research assistant duty needs to be endorsed by the student's supervisor(s).  No preparation time is to be clocked in this assignment. The research assistant duty should go beyond the scope of the research project undertaken by the student to fulfil the requirement of the graduate programme.
<b>Other developmental assignments (max.20%)</b>	up to 63	Other assignments with developmental value approved by the Vice Dean.
<b>Total Hours</b>	312	

1. The Scholar will not be paid any remuneration for the hours clocked under the Graduate Assistantship Programme.
2. The Scholar should work with the supervisor(s) on the plan to fulfil the required hours on a yearly (Academic Year) basis.
3. The duties can only be clocked for work done and deemed satisfactory by the University.
4. If the required hours are not met according to the annual plan or the quality of the work done is unsatisfactory, the school can:
  - (a) Reduce or withhold the stipend and/or the tuition fee subsidy, and/or suspend or terminate the Scholarship; and/or
  - (b) Withhold the transcript (both unofficial and official) and the student status letter until the requirements are met,
5. If the total required hours are not met by the time the thesis is submitted for examination, the Scholar will have his/her transcript (both unofficial and official), student status letter, conferment letter and degree scroll (for graduating student) withheld until the fulfilment of the requirement.