# Frequently Asked Questions - Master of Media and Communication Programme (MMC)

# **Admissions**

# 1. What are the admission requirements for MMC programme?

Applicants seeking admission to the MMC Programme must have at least one of the following qualifications:

- A good Bachelor's degree in any discipline (Honours merit or equivalent and above)
- · At least one year of full-time working experience
- For undergraduate degree not awarded by an English-medium University or is awarded by an English-medium University but the language of instruction was not English, the minimum IELTS score is 6.0. TOEFL score should be 85 (internet based).

For more information, please refer to this link:

 $\underline{https://www.ntu.edu.sg/education/graduateprogramme/master-of-media-and-communication\#admission}$ 

### 2. I am an international applicant. Do I need to submit TOEFL or IELTS?

International students whose undergraduate degree are from Universities where English is not the main language of instruction must submit IELTS/TOEFL scores. Meeting the minimum IELTS/TOEFL is mandatory to be considered for admission into the MMC Programme.

Minimum Score Required			
TOEFL	IELTS		
85 (internet-based)	6.0		

# 3. What is the validity period of TOELF/IELTS score reports? TOEFL/ IELTS score reports are only valid for two years after the test and the validity period should not expire before the beginning of the application period for the relevant intake applied.

- Is GMAT/GRE a pre-requisite for admission?No. GMAT/GRE score is not required for application to the MMC programme.
- 5. Does your school offer full-time and part-time options for the MMC programme? Yes, the school offers both full-time and part-time options for the MMC programme.

Full-Time Candidature		Part-Time Candidature	
Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum
1 Year	2 Years	2 Years	4 Years

(Note: 1 academic year is equivalent to 2 semesters.)

# 6. As an international applicant, can I apply for the part-time programme?

Part-time programme is applicable only to Singaporeans, Singapore Permanent Residents and those on Employment or Dependent Pass.

An international applicant, who is not on Employment or Dependent Pass, has to apply for fulltime programme and will be issued a Student Pass to study in NTU, pending approval from the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority of Singapore (ICA).

# 7. How many intakes are there per year and when?

The MMC programme is a semester programme and has one intake per year in August. The application for the yearly **August** intake will open in early November and close in mid-February. All applications must be submitted online.

# 8. Can I apply for more than one programme at the same time? What is the maximum number of programmes I can apply to?

Yes. There is no limit to the number of programmes applicants may apply to.

If you wish to apply for admission to more than one programme, please submit a separate application form for each programme. Every programme applied to will be subject to separate application fees. The application fee must also be paid for each application submitted. If applicants are successful in more than one application, applicants must choose to pursue only one programme.

# 9. How do I submit an application?

You can submit your application online through this link: <a href="https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/coal">https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/coal</a> main.notice

# 10. What are the supporting documents required for admission?

You must upload **electronic copies** of your supporting documents to the application portal. Documents uploaded must be in English. Otherwise, they must be accompanied by certified translations in English language.. You have to submit a separate set of supporting documents for every programme applied to. The supporting documents have to be submitted before the application deadline.

Note the following when uploading supporting documents:

- Supporting documents must be legible, sharp and clear
- Name the files in English
- Applicants are required to upload documents for <u>each</u> programme applied

For a list of supporting documents to be submitted as part of the online application, please refer to this link:

https://www.ntu.edu.sg/admissions/graduate/cwadmissionguide#Content C040 Col00

# 11. How much is the application fee?

Application fee will be charged for each Coursework application. Currently, the application fee is \$\$50 for the MMC programme. Please note that applications without successful payment of application fee will not be processed. However, do note that fees are subject to revision and in such cases the revised fees will apply.

# 12. What is the payment mode for the application fee?

Payment for the application fee can be made online by VISA/MasterCard before submitting your application. You may check your application status 3 working days after you have made successful online payment.

# 13. When will I know the outcome of my application?

Application results may take up to 4 months to release from the date of application. The duration of the entire application process varies depending on the volume of applications received and whether your application is deemed complete. You will be notified if there are supporting documents missing from your application. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

The application outcome will be released by end May.

Applicants can check the status of their application here: https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/pgr\$adm\_inquiry.main\_

### 14. How do I accept offer of admission?

If you are offered admission, you will receive the offer letter with the admission details via email. You have to accept your offer online. Please note that even if you are offered more than one programme, you can accept only one offer.

For more information, please refer to this link: <a href="https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/pgr\$acceptance">https://wis.ntu.edu.sg/webexe/owa/pgr\$acceptance</a> offer.main

# 15. Is Service Obligation option available for the MMC Programme?

As this is a self-financing programme, there is no Service Obligation option for this programme. For more information, please refer to this link:

https://www.ntu.edu.sg/admissions/graduate/financialmatters/service-obligation

# **Financial Matters**

### 16. Is the MMC Programme a subsidised programme?

The MMC programme is a self-financing programme. Thus, it is not subsidised by the Ministry of Education (MOE), Singapore.

**17. What are the tuition fees for the MMC Programme?** Please refer to our website for the latest published fees

https://www.ntu.edu.sg/wkwsci/admissions/programmes/graduate-programmes/detail/masterof-media-and-communication

#### 18. Is there any Financial Assistance available for the MMC Programme?

As MMC Programme is a self-financing programme, there is no financial assistance available.

# **Registration Matters**

# 19. When do I register for the programme after accepting the offer of admission?

NTU's Office of Admissions will send you the offer letter via email, containing information about when and where to go for the registration (also known as matriculation). During matriculation exercise, you <u>must</u> produce all <u>original</u> documents that were submitted to us in the application package for verification by our staff. Otherwise, your matriculation is considered incomplete. The list of required documents will be sent together with the offer letter.

# 20. Will there be any orientation session organised for new students?

For new graduate students, the School will organise a Graduate Orientation and Welcome session before the start of Semester 1. Students will receive an email from the School inviting them to the Orientation and Welcome session after the matriculation.

# 21. Will a new student be given student identification card?

Upon matriculation, the student card, also known as the matriculation card (matric card), will be issued to students within the first two teaching weeks of the semester.

#### 22. How many courses can a new student register for in a semester?

Full-time students can register for a maximum of <u>five</u> courses in a semester; Part-time students can register for a maximum of <u>three</u> courses in a semester.

# **Deferment & Withdrawal from the Programme**

# 23. Can I defer admission for 1 semester or 1 year, or take leave-of-absence?

Deferment is **not allowed** in the first semester after you have matriculated. You will have to withdraw from the programme and apply for admission again next year.

# 24. Can I withdraw from the programme after accepting the offer?

You can withdraw from the programme by sending an email to the programme administrator. Withdrawal from programme via email can only be done before matriculation.

# 25. Can I withdraw from the programme after matriculation?

You can withdraw from the programme after matriculation by submitting a withdrawal from programme form. However, the form has to reach the programme administrator latest by the end of the first teaching week of the semester. Otherwise, you will be liable to pay fees for the entire semester.

# **Change of Programme Status**

# 26. Can I change my programme status from part-time to full-time or vice versa?

You can change your programme status from full-time to part-time, or part-time to full-time, subject to approval by the School. Your request for the change must reach the programme administrator at least 2 weeks before the start of the semester to facilitate the conversion process.

You will be allowed to do this switch only <u>once throughout the whole candidature</u>. International students can only convert to the part-time study status after they have secured a job and their Employment Pass application is successful.

# Accommodation

# 27. Will I be able to secure on-campus accommodation?

On-campus accommodation is subject to availability. Priority is usually given to undergraduate and graduate research students.

For more information regarding on-campus accommodation, please refer to the following links: https://www.ntu.edu.sg/life-at-ntu/accommodation/graduate-housing

If you are unsuccessful in your application, do arrange for *off-campus housing* before you arrive in Singapore. For ease of reference, you may refer to some information put together by the Office of Campus Housing: <a href="https://www.ntu.edu.sg/life-at-ntu/accommodation/off-campushousing">https://www.ntu.edu.sg/life-at-ntu/accommodation/off-campushousing</a>

# **Job Placement & Part-time Employment**

# 28. Does the school offer job placements?

The School does not offer career placement for graduate students.

# 29. Can an International Student work full-time and study?

International students on Student Pass are not allowed to work full-time. However, they are allowed to work part-time, up to 16 hours per week during term time as stipulated by the Immigration & Checkpoints Authority (ICA), pending approval by the School and University.

For matriculated graduate international students, you are required to apply for approval and obtain the Letter of Endorsement from One Stop @ SAC before commencing work. A fresh application is required for each job. Applications can be made online via the Part-Time Employment Application System.