NUS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR GLOBAL INTERNSHIPS

This document outlines the list of financial support available to NUS students embarking on overseas internships. We recommend that you look through all the options available to you, before doing your sums and submitting the necessary application(s) at one go.

You can apply for all the listed awards and scholarships, but you are eligible to receive only one award. Countries_regions for which the Singapore Ministry of Foreign Affairs has issued an ongoing travel advisory on, will not be eligible for funding.

All the best in your journey of exploration!

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
For physical overseas internships only
1. ESG Global Ready Talent (GRT) Programme
   (For Singapore Citizens and PRs only)

For physical overseas internships only
2. IMDA Industry Preparation for Pre-graduate (iPREP) Programme
   (For Singapore Citizens only)

3. NUS Global Internship Award (NGIA)
   (For students not eligible for GRT & iPREP)

4. Lee Foundation McDonnell Scholarship
   (For overseas internships in USA only)

LOANS
For physical overseas internships only
5. Overseas Student Programme (OSP) Loan
   (For Singapore Citizens only)
### For physical overseas internships

1. **Global Ready Talent (GRT) Programme**
   - In collaboration with Enterprise Singapore (ESG)

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| **Description**     | The Global Ready Talent (GRT) Programme aims to build a pipeline of global-ready talent for Singapore enterprises through exposing more Singaporeans to internships and overseas work opportunities. 
GRT Programme is an initiative by ESG, administered by NUS. |
| **Quantum**         | **Physical Overseas Internship in GRT Approved Singapore Enterprises** and Other Enterprises |
|                     | • Subsistence allowance per month (overseas component only): S$1000  
                     | • One-time Travel allowance: S$1200 |
| **Eligibility Criteria** | **Applicant details:** |
|                     | • Be Singapore Citizens or Singapore Permanent Residents  
                     | • Be an NUS full-time undergraduate |
|                     | **Internship details:** |
|                     | • Approved internship types include:  
                     | o CFG-administered internships  
                     | o Faculty-administered internships  
                     | o Self-sourced internships  
                     | o NUS Overseas Colleges Programme (Please apply GRT through NOC)  
                     | • Participate in an approved internship for a minimum of 4 weeks. For hybrid internships (local and overseas internships), the internship must have at least 2 continuous weeks spent overseas.  
                     | • The overseas internship has to be in a qualifying country*  
                     | • Complete the internship before your conferment date (usually 30 June)  
                     | o Students in Concurrent Degree Programmes should complete the internship before the respective conferment date of the Semester in which student is completing the final Undergraduate requirements  
                     | • Students who are granted a Leave of Absence (LOA) by their faculty to participate in the overseas internship are eligible to apply for GRT Programme.  
                     | • Students will only be supported under GRT once for each enterprise i.e., students will not be supported again for another internship with the same enterprise |

1Refer to this [link](#) for the listing of GRT Approved Singapore Enterprises
Others:
- Not receive full benefits – subsistence allowance\(^2\) and travel allowance\(^3\) from the Internship Host
- Not receive any other form/s of financial aid from NUS and/or external sponsor(s) and/or scholarship and/or funding which provides travel and subsistence allowance for the overseas internship

Note: Scholars should check your scholarship handbooks on the eligibility to participate in the overseas programme or concurrently hold other awards/aid.

### Application Procedure

Submit the following documents to cfqngia@nus.edu.sg

1) Completed NUS Financial Support for Global Internships - Application Form
2) Completed GRT Application Form
3) Offer Letter/Contract from Internship Host, containing the following details
   a. Name of Internship Host Company
   b. Full name of student
   c. Exact start date and exact end date of overseas internship
   d. Full list of benefits offered by the company
4) LOA email approval from faculty for participation in overseas internship (if applicable)
5) A copy of your flight itinerary confirmation email(s), containing the following details
   o Depart/Arrive Date and Time
   o Departure/Arrival Airport
   o Flight No

### Application Deadline

Applications must be submitted at least 1 month before the start date of the overseas internship.

### Announcement of Results

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis. Applicants will be notified of their GRT Programme results via their NUS email addresses within 8 weeks.

### Disbursement Timeline

The GRT Programme funding will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis i.e. after the completion of the overseas internship.

### Disbursement Procedure

Within 2 weeks of the end of your internship, please submit the following to cfqngia@nus.edu.sg

- Completed Post-Internship Report
- Full screenshot of the GRT Overseas Internship Feedback completion page

The GRT Programme funding will be disbursed within 8 weeks of successful receipt of your Post-Internship Report.

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\(^2\) Subsistence allowance: Lodging, food and local commute

\(^3\) Travel allowance: Airfare, visa and insurance
**List of Countries in Markets Unsupported by GRT Programme – Developed Markets**

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### For physical overseas internships only

#### 2. Industry Preparation for Pre-graduate (iPREP) Programme
   - In collaboration with Info-communications Media Development Authority (IMDA)

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<td>The iPREP programme aims to prepare and equip pre-graduates with relevant skillsets and work experience to ensure a pipeline of industry-ready graduates.</td>
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<td><strong>Quantum</strong></td>
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<td>- Subsistence allowance per month (overseas component only): S$1200</td>
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<td>- One-time Economy-Class return airfare allowance</td>
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<td>Note: The total quantum that a student can receive is capped at S$8,500.</td>
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<td>• Be Singapore Citizens</td>
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<td>• Internship must be related to Infocommunications and Media (as assessed by any faculty / department member from the listed majors who will be writing your recommendation letter)</td>
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<td>• Participate in an approved internship for a minimum of 4 weeks. For hybrid internships (local and overseas internships), the internship must have at least 2 continuous weeks spent overseas.</td>
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<td>• Complete the internship before your conferment date (usually 30 June)</td>
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Students who are granted a Leave of Absence (LOA) by their faculty to participate in the overseas internship are eligible to apply for iPREP Programme.

Student can only receive iPREP funding for overseas internship once during the entire undergraduate study.

Others:
- Not receive full benefits – subsistence allowance and travel allowance from the Internship Host
- Not receive any other form/s of financial aid from NUS and/or external sponsor(s) and/or scholarship and/or funding which provides travel and subsistence allowance for the overseas internship

Note: Scholars should check your scholarship handbooks on the eligibility to participate in the overseas programme or concurrently hold other awards/aid.

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**Application Procedure**

Submit the following to cfgnia@nus.edu.sg:

1) Completed [NUS Financial Support for Global Internships - Application Form](#)

2) Recommendation letter from any NUS professor / lecturer / tutor in the listed majors (no specified template)

3) Offer Letter/Contract from Internship Host, containing the following details
   a. Name of Internship Host Company
   b. Full name of student
   c. Exact start date, and exact end date of overseas internship
   d. Full list of benefits offered by the company

4) LOA email approval from faculty for participation in overseas internship (if applicable)

5) A copy of your flight itinerary confirmation email(s), containing the following details
   o Depart/Arrive Date and Time
   o Departure/Arrival Airport
   o Flight No

**Application Deadline**

Applications must be submitted at least 1 month before the start date of the overseas internship.

**Announcement of Results**

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis. Applicants will be notified of their iPREP results via their NUS email addresses within 8 weeks.

**Disbursement Timeline**

The iPREP funding will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis i.e. after the completion of the overseas internship.
| **Disbursement Procedure** | Within 2 weeks of the end of your internship, please submit the following to cfgngia@nus.edu.sg  
- Completed Post-Internship Report  
- Completed Claim Form  
- Invoice for the return economy class airfare (if you are claiming for the Airfare Allowance)  
- Bank/Credit Card statement for the return economy class airfare (if you are claiming for the Airfare Allowance)  
- Boarding passes (if you are claiming for the Airfare Allowance)  

The iPREP funding will be disbursed within 8 weeks of successful receipt of your Post-Internship Report. |
### 3. NUS Global Internship Award (NGIA)

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<td><strong>Description</strong></td>
<td>To ease students’ financial concerns on embarking on overseas internships, NUS offers financial support through the NUS Global Internship Award (NGIA) for all NUS undergraduate students embarking on an overseas internship.</td>
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<td>Through an overseas internship experience that is supported by NGIA, we aim to enhance students’ global exposure by gaining wider business and cultural perspectives. This overseas experience will also build the students’ adaptability, independence and resilience to be future-ready for the workforce.</td>
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| **Quantum**         | - Subsistence allowance per month (overseas component only): S$400  
- One-time Travel allowance: S$400 |
| **Eligibility Criteria** | ** Applicant details:**  
- Be an NUS full-time undergraduate (YNC students are not eligible)  
** Internship details:**  
- Approved internship types include:  
  - CFG-administered internships  
  - Faculty-administered internships (except NUS Overseas Colleges)  
  - Self-sourced internships  
- Participate in an approved internship for a minimum of 4 weeks. For hybrid internships (local and overseas internships), the internship must have at least 2 continuous weeks spent overseas.  
- Complete the internship before your conferment date (usually 30 June)  
  - Students in Concurrent Degree Programmes should complete the internship before the respective conferment date of the Semester in which student is completing the final Undergraduate requirements  
- Students who are granted a Leave of Absence (LOA) by their faculty to participate in the overseas internship are eligible to apply for NGIA.  
** Others:**  
- Not receive full benefits – subsistence allowance and travel allowance from the Internship Host  
- Not receive any other form/s of financial aid from NUS and/or external sponsor(s) and/or scholarship and/or funding which provides travel and subsistence allowance for the overseas internship |
• Not be a recipient of any of the following scholarships:
  o Undergraduate Scholarship for PRC Students
  o SIA-NOL Undergraduate Scholarship
  o Sembcorp Industries Undergraduate Scholarship
  o Science & Technology Undergraduate Scholarship
  o MOE Teaching Award, MOE Teaching Scholarship, MOE Local-Overseas Merit Scholarship (Teaching) and MOE Education Merit Scholarship (Teaching)
  o Recipients of other awards that sponsor the cost of overseas programme and/or do not allow concurrent holding of awards

Note: Scholars should check your scholarship handbooks on the eligibility to participate in the overseas programme or concurrently hold other awards/aid.

**Application Procedure**

Submit the following documents to cfgngia@nus.edu.sg

1) Completed [NUS Financial Support for Global Internships - Application Form](#)

2) Offer Letter/Contract from Internship Host, containing the following details
   a. Name of Internship Host Company
   b. Full name of student
   c. Exact start date, and exact end date of overseas internship
   d. Full list of benefits offered by the company

3) LOA email approval from faculty for participation in overseas internship (if applicable)

4) A copy of your flight itinerary confirmation email(s), containing the following details
   o Depart/Arrive Date and Time
   o Departure/Arrival Airport
   o Flight No

**Application Deadline**

Applications must be submitted at least 1 month before the start date of the overseas internship.

**Announcement of Results**

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis. Applicants will be notified of their NGIA results via their NUS email addresses within 8 weeks.

**Disbursement Timeline**

The NGIA funding will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis i.e. after the completion of the overseas internship.

**Disbursement Procedure**

Within 2 weeks of the end of your internship, please submit your completed [Post-Internship Report](#) to cfgngia@nus.edu.sg.

The NGIA funding will be disbursed within 8 weeks of successful receipt of your Post-Internship Report.
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| Description         | Supports all NUS undergraduates embarking on NUS-approved internships to the United States, including:  
|                     | - CFG-administered internships  
|                     | - Faculty-administered internships (except NUS Overseas Colleges)  
|                     | - Self-sourced internships |
| Quantum             | • One-time scholarship worth S$5,000 |

**Eligibility Criteria**

Applicant details:
- Be an NUS full-time undergraduate (YNC students are not eligible)

Internship details:
- Participate in an approved internship for a minimum of 8 weeks
- Complete the internship before your [conferment date](#) (usually 30 June)
  - Students in [Concurrent Degree Programmes](#) should complete the internship before the respective conferment date of the Semester in which student is completing the final Undergraduate requirements
- Students who are granted a Leave of Absence (LOA) by their faculty to participate in the overseas internship are eligible to apply for Lee Foundation McDonnell Scholarship.

Others:
- Not receive full benefits – subsistence allowance² and travel allowance³ from the Internship Host
- Not receive any other form/s of financial aid from NUS and/or external sponsor(s) and/or scholarship and/or funding which provides travel and subsistence allowance for the overseas internship
- Not be a recipient of any the following scholarships:
  - Undergraduate Scholarship for PRC Students
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Note: Scholars should check your scholarship handbooks on the eligibility to participate in the overseas programme or concurrently hold other awards/aid.
| **Application Procedure** | Submit the following documents to [cfgngia@nus.edu.sg](mailto:cfgngia@nus.edu.sg)  
1) Completed [NUS Financial Support for Global Internships - Application Form](#)  
2) Motivational essay (max 1000 words), stating why you feel you are a deserving candidate for the scholarship and how you intend to contribute to the NUS community upon your return  
3) Offer Letter/Contract from Internship Host, containing the following details:  
   a. Name of Internship Host Company  
   b. Full name of student  
   c. Exact start date, and exact end date of overseas internship  
   d. Full list of benefits offered by the company  
4) LOA email approval from faculty for participation in overseas internship (if applicable)  
5) A copy of your flight itinerary confirmation email(s), containing the following details:  
   o Depart/Arrive Date and Time  
   o Departure/Arrival Airport  
   o Flight No |

| **Application Deadline** | Applications must be submitted at least 1 month before the start date of their internship. |
| **Announcement of Results** | Applicants will be notified of their Lee Foundation McDonnell Scholarship results via their NUS email addresses within 8 weeks. |
| **Disbursement Timeline** | The Lee Foundation McDonnell Scholarship will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis i.e. after the completion of your internship. |
| **Disbursement Procedure** | Within 2 weeks of the end of your internship, please submit your completed [Post-Internship Report](#) to [cfgngia@nus.edu.sg](mailto:cfgngia@nus.edu.sg).  
The Lee Foundation McDonnell Scholarship will be disbursed within 8 weeks of successful receipt of your Post-Internship Report. |
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5. Overseas Programme (OSP) Loan

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<td><strong>Description</strong></td>
<td>Overseas Student Programme (OSP) loan is offered to all NUS undergraduates who are embarking on NUS approved overseas programmes. This loan is to help students cover their expenses during the course of the overseas stint.</td>
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<td>• Be an NUS full-time undergraduate, participating in a university-approved overseas programme.</td>
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<td><strong>Application Procedure</strong></td>
<td>OCBC Bank is the appointed agent to administer this loan.</td>
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<td>For more information, please refer to <a href="https://www.nus.edu.sg/gro/financing/loans/overseas-student-programme-(osp)-loan">https://www.nus.edu.sg/gro/financing/loans/overseas-student-programme-(osp)-loan</a></td>
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For further enquiries, please contact the NUS Centre for Future-ready Graduates at [cfgngia@nus.edu.sg](mailto:cfgngia@nus.edu.sg).

(Information accurate as of 13 Sep 2023)