
NUS MERIT SCHOLARSHIP TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The NUS Merit Scholarship (NMS) ("Scholarship") is tenable for a full-time undergraduate programme leading to a single degree, double degree, joint degree or concurrent degree. For single, double and joint degree programmes, the maximum tenure of the Scholarship corresponds to the normal candidature period for the respective undergraduate degree programme. For concurrent degree programmes, the scholarship will provide scholarship benefits for up to 4 years of the CDP candidature.
2. A student awarded the Scholarship ("Scholar") will receive the following for his/her full-time undergraduate programme of study:
 - (a) (i) For Single Degree Programmes, coverage of undergraduate tuition fees is capped at the subsidised rate (after receipt of the MOE Tuition Grant);
 - (ii) For Double Degree (DDP) and Joint Degree (JDP) Programmes with partner universities, coverage of undergraduate tuition fees is capped at either the actual undergraduate tuition fees payable to the partner university (if applicable) or the subsidised undergraduate tuition fees for the NUS undergraduate programme (after receipt of the MOE Tuition Grant), whichever is lower;
 - (iii) For Concurrent Degree Programmes (CDP), the Scholarship will cover tuition fees, capped at the subsidised undergraduate tuition fee rate (after receipt of the MOE Tuition Grant) for up to 4 years of the CDP candidature.
 - (b) Living allowance of S\$6,000 per academic year
 - (c) One-time computer allowance of S\$2,000 upon enrolment
 - (d) A guaranteed offer for a one-semester Student Exchange Programme (SEP) at one of NUS' partner universities overseas, excluding Scholars from Dentistry and Medicine
 - (e) Priority for on-campus accommodation is offered for the first two years of undergraduate study, subject to meeting the eligibility criteria for on-campus accommodation and submitting a complete hostel application during the first housing application window each year. For Year 1 scholars, this priority applies to Halls and Houses; for Year 2 scholars, it applies to Halls, Houses and Residences.
3. The Scholar (a) may not concurrently hold any other scholarship, fellowship, bursary, grant, award or allowance covering the same or similar type of expenses provided by the Scholarship, except for certain categories as determined by NUS as set out in the Administrative Handbook. Any other cases require prior written approval from NUS; (b) may not have previously received a Tuition Grant or other sponsorship/subsidy from the Singapore Government for a previous programme of study for an undergraduate or graduate degree and (c) may not have already attained an undergraduate or graduate degree at a local or overseas university.
4. The Scholarship may be transferred to all undergraduate programmes of study, except for transfers to Medicine, Dentistry, Law and Music. Scholars who wish to transfer after one or more semesters of study must notify the Scholarship Administrator of their intention to transfer to another eligible programme.
5. The Scholarship covers the normal candidature period for the approved undergraduate programme, provided that the Scholar diligently pursues and completes the programme within the normal candidature period¹. For Concurrent Degree Programmes (CDP), the Scholarship will provide scholarship benefits for up to 4 years of the CDP candidature.

¹ NUS Scholars who are Singapore Citizens and proceed directly to the Master of Architecture (M.Arch) programme after completing the Bachelor of Architecture (B.Arch) at NUS will continue to receive tuition fee coverage (capped at the subsidised M.Arch tuition fee rate) and the standard living allowance. Coverage is subject to: (i) the M.Arch programme remaining subsidised by MOE; and (ii) immediate progression to the M.Arch upon completion of the

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6. To remain eligible for continuation of the Scholarship, the Scholar (i) if in a programme other than Medicine, Dentistry or Law, is required to maintain a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5, or (ii) if in Medicine, Dentistry or Law, is required to maintain grades that place him/her within the top 80 percent of his/her cohort ("continuation criteria").
7. The continuation criteria for the Scholarship do not apply in the first semester of Year 1. The Scholarship will be reviewed at the end of every semester from the second semester onwards, except for Scholars in Medicine and Dentistry, whose scholarship status will be reviewed at the end of each academic year.

A Scholar who does not meet the continuation criteria may have his/ her Scholarship terminated. At NUS' discretion, the Scholar may be allowed to continue receiving his/her Scholarship benefits for up to two reviews before the Scholarship is terminated.

8. The Scholarship terminates automatically if the Scholar prematurely terminates his/her programme of study at NUS or is in breach of Clause 3. In such an event, NUS reserves the right to demand a full refund from the Scholar of all monies disbursed under the Scholarship prior to the termination.
9. NUS reserves the right to reduce or withhold any monies under the Scholarship, and/or suspend or terminate the Scholarship:

(a) immediately at any time without notice if the Scholar

- (i) commits a criminal offence;
- (ii) is found to have committed a disciplinary offence by the Board of Discipline, Head or Dean in disciplinary proceedings pursuant to NUS' Statutes and Regulations;
- (iii) participates in activities or acts in a manner which is, or is likely to be, adverse to the interests of NUS, or which cause, or is likely to cause, embarrassment to NUS;
- (iv) in the view of NUS, conducts himself/herself in a manner unbecoming of a Scholar;
- (v) if in a programme other than Medicine, Dentistry or Law fails to maintain a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.5, or (ii) if in Medicine, Dentistry or Law fails to maintain grades that place him/her within the top 80 percent of his/her cohort; or
- (vi) breaches any of the terms and conditions herein (including the administrative requirements and procedures specified in the Administrative Handbook) or the NUS policies and procedures found at <https://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/administrative-policies-procedures/undergraduate> as updated from time to time.

(b) at any time by giving one month's notice in writing to the Scholar without assigning any reason.

10. If the Scholarship is suspended or terminated for any reason other than under Clause 9(b) or Clause 15, NUS reserves the right to demand a full refund from the Scholar of all monies disbursed under the Scholarship prior to such suspension or termination.
11. The Scholar is not required to serve any bond upon graduation from his/her programme of study.
12. The Scholar's particulars may be used for marketing purposes, including development and fundraising activities, or disclosed to external organisations for purposes of surveys or publicity of NUS' scholarships. As certain scholarships are funded by private donors, the Scholar's particulars may be disclosed to the donor of his/her scholarship. The Scholar may also be required to write letters of appreciation to the donors, attend donor engagement sessions, participate in NUS events, and/or contribute time to NUS activities.

B.Arch. Scholars who do not proceed directly to the M.Arch (e.g., by taking a gap year or longer) will receive scholarship benefits for up to four years only.

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13. The Scholar must comply with all the administrative requirements and procedures as outlined in the [NUS Scholarship Administrative Handbook](#) ("Administrative Handbook"), as amended from time to time. It is the responsibility of the Scholar to familiarise himself/herself with the contents of the Administrative Handbook and adhere to the administrative requirements and procedures specified therein. Failure to comply with these requirements and procedures may result in a delay in the conferment of the benefits under the Scholarship or in the suspension or termination of the Scholarship.
14. No delay or forbearance by NUS to enforce any of its rights and remedies for any breach by the Scholar of any of these terms and conditions shall in any way affect or prejudice NUS' rights or remedies in respect of such breach, nor will NUS' rights and remedies in respect of any other or subsequent breach of these terms and conditions by the Scholar be affected or prejudiced.
15. NUS may, at its discretion, vary these terms and conditions, or amend or issue additional guidelines with respect to the Scholarship, from time to time with notice. If the Scholar does not accept such variation, amendment or issuance, he/she is entitled to terminate the Scholarship by giving one month's prior notice in writing. Where the Scholar continues to accept the monies disbursed under the Scholarship after such notification, he/she shall be deemed to have accepted such variation, amendment or issuance.