

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE  
SCHOOL OF COMPUTING  
Application for Graduate Scholarship for ASEAN Nationals  
( NUS GSA)



This form may take you about 3 minutes to fill in.

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

Name (Please write in **BLOCK** letters as appear in NRIC/ Passport and **UNDERLINE** surname/family name)  
Dr/Mr/Mrs/Mdm/Miss

Nationality:

Passport No:

Have you fill in the Master of Computing (Mcomp by coursework) application form?

Yes

No

If no, please complete the MComp application form first.

*Note:*

*Application for the NUS GSA is integrated into the application for Master of Computing (MComp by coursework programme). Therefore, the application period and due date for the MComp is applicable to the NUS GSA. This NUS GSA application is to be attached along with your MComp application form.*

In addition to the eligibility requirement of nationality, a candidate must have:

- i. **An excellent academic record and has been or will be admitted by the School to pursue a designated graduate degree.**
- ii. **A good command of the English language.**
- iii. **A minimum of 2 years of relevant working experience as at the application deadline.**

I affirm that I have meet the above criteria and that

(a) I am a national (citizen or permanent resident) of a member country of ASEAN, have a TOEFL IELTS result of \_\_\_\_\_ with at least \_\_\_\_\_ years relevant experience and I would like to be considered for the NUS GSA; and

(b) I have read, understand and accept the rules and conditions governing the NUS GSA and acknowledge that if I am awarded the NUS GSA I will be subjected to them.

Signature:

Date

## Applying for the NUS Graduate Scholarship for ASEAN Nationals

### Introduction

1. The National University of Singapore [NUS] offers 40 scholarships each year to nationals of **ASEAN\*** member countries to take full-time course-work graduate degrees at NUS. Singapore citizens and permanent residents are ineligible. These awards, known as the NUS Graduate Scholarship for ASEAN nationals [NUS GSA], are financed by the People of Singapore and the University. The initial award is for an academic year (2 semesters) and may be extended on a semester basis, **subject to the scholar's performance**. The scholar has no obligation or bond to NUS or Singapore but is expected to complete the graduate degree and return to the home country.

\*(ASEAN comprises the 10 nations of South East Asia - **Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.**)

2. The NUS GSA is only for **full-time course-work graduate degrees** conducted at NUS and **designated for the scholarship**. Candidates receiving other awards will be disqualified from the NUS GSA.

### Application for the NUS GSA

3. The application period and due date for the application of NUS GSA:  
**August Intake (Semester 1): 1 April of that year**  
**January Intake (Semester 2): 1 September of previous year**

### Other Eligibility Criteria

4. There are only 2 NUS GSA available each academic year for School of Computing and, therefore, it is awarded on a very competitive basis. Only exceptional candidates will be considered. In addition to the eligibility requirement of nationality, a candidate must have:
  - a. **an excellent academic record and has been or will be admitted by a NUS Faculty/School to pursue a designated graduate degree:**
    - i. A candidate should be in the top 10% of the class.
    - ii. Admission may be in either Semester 1 (commencing in August) or, where available, Semester 2 (commencing in January).
  - b. **a good command of the English language:**
    - (i) A candidate's English language proficiency will be determined by
      - a. the Test of English as a Foreign Language [TOEFL] score of at least 550 for the paper-based test or 213 for the computer-based test; or
      - b. the International English Language Testing System [IELTS] result of at least 6.0; or
      - c. such other qualifications as determined by the NUS Faculty/School.
    - (ii) If the NUS Faculty/School specify a higher TOEFL score (e.g. 600 for the paper-based test or 250 for the computer-based test) or IELTS result (e.g. 7.0) as a minimum requirement for a designated graduate degree, the higher score or result will apply.
    - (iii) The organisations conducting the respective tests are:

<b>TOEFL</b> Educational Testing Service [ETS] PO Box 6151 Princeton NJ 08541-6151 USA Tel: (609) 951-1100 <i>or contact your local United States Information Service</i>	<b>IELTS</b> University of Cambridge Local Examination Syndicate [UCLES] 1 Hills Road Cambridge CB1 2EU United Kingdom Tel: (01223) 55-3311 <i>or contact your local British Council</i>
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- (iv) The TOEFL and IELTS are internationally established standards to compare the English language proficiency of candidates from diverse backgrounds and disciplines. This is regardless of whether the English language is the native language or medium of instruction for the candidate, as these do not ensure that the candidate:
    - a. has a very good command of the English language;
    - b. will cope and benefit from the designated graduate degree (usually conducted in the English language); and
    - c. is an outstanding candidate for the NUS GSA.
  - (v) Except where other qualification has been determined by the NUS Faculty/School, the TOEFL score or IELTS result is required since the NUS GSA is awarded on a competitive basis, where all candidates are compared against a common benchmark.
  - (vi) Please note that:
    - a. other English language 'proficiency tests' are unacceptable, as they are inconsistent and are not of international standards or comparable to TOEFL or IELTS;
    - b. tests that claim to be predictions, estimations, simulations, equivalents, practices, etc. of the TOEFL or IELTS are invalid;
    - c. the ETS Institutional Testing Program cannot be used for admission; and
    - d. TOEFL score or IELTS results are only valid for 2 years after the test and should be valid at the beginning of the application period for the designated graduate degree.
- c. **a minimum of 2 years of relevant working experience as at the application deadline:**
    - (i) The years of working experience may be cumulative over different periods of time; and
    - (ii) The scope of working experience should be within the discipline of the designated graduate degree
5. A candidate will not be considered for the NUS GSA if:
    - a. the candidate does not fulfil the nationality and the 3 eligibility requirements at items 4(a), (b) and (c); or
    - b. the candidate's application is incomplete or received after the due date.