

LADY YUEN PENG MCNEICE GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP TERMS & CONDITIONS



1. The Lady Yuen Peng McNeice Graduate Fellowship (“Fellowship”) is awarded to outstanding students who are keen to pursue research in the Southeast Asian Biodiversity.
2. The Fellowship is open to Singapore Citizens, Singapore Permanent Residents and graduates of an Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) university.
3. The Fellowship will provide for the following:
 - a. Tuition fees support of up to S\$12,000 per year
 - b. A monthly stipend throughout the period of award;

	All nationalities*
PhD Candidate	S\$3,500
MSc Candidate	S\$2,000

* Central Provident Fund contributions shall be provided for Singapore citizens at a rate pegged to the prevailing employer’s contribution rate set by CPF, on top of the monthly stipend received.

- c. Research support of up to S\$5000 per year
4. The effective date of the Fellowship will be the commencement date of the relevant semester or the actual date of registration, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Fellowship will only take effect for candidates who are currently employed from the date immediately after he/she has ceased to draw a salary from his/her current employer.
5. The Fellowship is tenable for 1 year in the first instance and renewable each semester subject to the Fellow's satisfactory progress. The maximum period of award is 4 years for PhD and 2 years for MSc.
6. The Fellowship will be renewed if the awardee meets the following criteria:
 - a. Minimum CAP (coursework component) of 3.5 for PhD or 3.0 for MSc;
 - b. Research progress must be rated “Good” and above; and
 - c. PhD Fellow must pass the Ph.D. Qualifying Examination within the stipulated period
7. The student must be enrolled as a full-time student in the Faculty of Science and engaged in cross-disciplinary research in Southeast Asian Biodiversity and supervised by a faculty member from the Department of Biological Sciences.
8. The Fellowship is tenable only at the National University of Singapore and the Fellow must reside in Singapore for the duration of the Fellowship. As a full-time students, the Fellows are expected to report to his/her department of study and/or supervisor at the University during the period of Fellowship, except during period(s) of approved leave.
9. The Fellow undertakes to devote his/her full time and energy to his/her studies and, to the best of his/her ability, to apply himself/herself to his/her programme of study to the satisfaction of the University.

10. The Fellow may not accept employment, whether or not he/she is remunerated, or hold concurrently any other scholarship, fellowship or other award without the prior approval of the University during the period of award. In addition, the Fellow cannot change to a different programme without prior written permission of the University.
11. The Fellow will cease to receive the Fellowship immediately without notice upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
 - a. The Fellow converts from full-time candidature to part-time candidature
 - b. Where the Fellow submits his/her thesis for examination, on the date after the date of receipt of thesis examination form (completed and endorsed) by the Student Service Centre;
 - c. The expiry of the period of award as described in Clause 3 above;
 - d. The Fellow withdraws from or the University determines that the Fellow has failed to complete his/her programme of study for whatever reason; or
 - e. The candidature of the Fellow at the University is terminated for whatever reason.
12. The University reserves the right to terminate the Fellowship at any time without notice if the Fellow's progress is not satisfactory, or there is misconduct by the Fellow, including the provision of inaccurate or false information and the omission of material information in connection with the University's offer of the Fellowship, or the Fellow is in breach of any of the terms and conditions herein.
13. The Fellow may terminate the Fellowship by giving one month's notice in writing.
14. Mandatory Miscellaneous Fees would be deducted from the Fellow's monthly stipend at the beginning of each semester.
15. The Fellow is strongly encouraged to assist in teaching or other related duties at the Department/Faculty during his/her candidature.
16. There is no bond or obligation for the Fellowship upon graduation. Nevertheless the Fellow shall acknowledge the Fellowship in their publications.
17. No delay or forbearance on the part of the University to enforce any of its rights and remedies for any breach by the Fellow of any of these terms and conditions shall in any way affect or prejudice the University's rights or remedies in respect of such breach, nor will the University's rights and remedies in respect of any other or subsequent breach of these terms and conditions by the Fellow be affected or prejudiced.
18. The University may, at its discretion, add to or vary these terms and conditions, or issue additional guidelines with respect to the Fellowship from time to time without notice, and revise or amend such guidelines as it deems fit. All such guidelines shall be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of the Fellowship. If such addition, variation, issuance, revision or amendment is unacceptable to the Fellow, he/she is entitled to terminate the Fellowship in accordance with Clause 10 above. Where the Fellow continues to accept the monthly stipend, tuition fees and/or any other benefits payable under the Fellowship after such notification, he/she shall be deemed to have accepted such addition, variation, issuance, revision or amendment.