

## SILVERSTRAND SCHOLARSHIP FOR NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. The Silverstrand Scholarship for Nature-Based Solutions (“Scholarship”) is awarded to outstanding Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) students working on nature-based climate solutions (NCS), including but not limited to the science and data models needed to support the design and structure of innovative solutions to finance NCS.
2. The Scholarship is open to applicants from Asia.
3. The Scholarship will provide for the following:
  - a. Full tuition fees at the university;
  - b. A monthly stipend up to S\$2,800 (please refer to the below table for details);
  - c. Research support.

	Monthly Stipend
Singapore Citizen*	\$2,800
Singapore Permanent Resident	\$2,400
International Student	\$2,200

\* 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.

4. The effective date of the Scholarship will be the commencement date of the relevant semester or the actual date of registration, whichever is later. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Scholarship 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 Scholarship is tenable for 1 year in the first instance and renewable each semester subject to the Candidate’s satisfactory progress. The maximum period of award is 4 years for PhD.
6. The Scholarship will be renewed if the awardee meets the following criteria:
  - a. Minimum CAP (coursework component) of 3.5 for PhD;
  - b. Research progress must be rated “Good” and above; and
  - c. PhD Candidate must pass the Ph.D. Qualifying Examination within the stipulated period
7. The Candidate must be enrolled as a full-time student in the Faculty of Science and engaged in cross-disciplinary research in NCS.
8. The Scholarship is tenable only at the National University of Singapore and the Candidate must reside in Singapore for the duration of the Scholarship. As a full-time student, the Candidate is expected to report to his/her department of study and/or supervisor at the University during the period of Scholarship, except during period(s) of approved leave.
9. The Candidate 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 Candidate 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 Candidate cannot change to a different programme without prior written permission of the University.
11. The Candidate will cease to receive the Scholarship immediately without notice upon the occurrence of any of the following events:
  - a. The Candidate converts from full-time candidature to part-time candidature
  - b. Where the Candidate 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 Candidate withdraws from or the University determines that the Candidate has failed to complete his/her programme of study for whatever reason; or
  - e. The candidature of the student at the University is terminated for whatever reason.
12. The University reserves the right to terminate the Scholarship at any time without notice if the Candidate's progress is not satisfactory, or there is misconduct by the Candidate, including the provision of inaccurate or false information and the omission of material information in connection with the University's offer of the Scholarship, or the Candidate is in breach of any of the terms and conditions herein.
13. The Candidate may terminate the Scholarship by giving one month's notice in writing.
14. Mandatory Miscellaneous Fees would be deducted from the Candidate's monthly stipend at the beginning of each semester.
15. The selected Candidate will assist in teaching, research activities or other related duties relevant to nature-based solutions or sustainable finance at the Department/Faculty during his/her candidature.
16. Upon the Candidate's consent, the Candidate will meet with the Silverstrand team annually at the end of the academic year to share the progress of their studies and research.
17. At the end of the scholarship, the Candidate will present the results of the research in a seminar available to the public.
18. Any peer-reviewed papers published by the Candidate during the Project period shall acknowledge credit towards Silverstrand for the scholarship.
19. There is no bond or obligation for the Scholarship upon graduation. Nevertheless, the Candidate shall acknowledge the Scholarship in their publications.
20. No delay or forbearance on the part of the University to enforce any of its rights and remedies for any breach by the Candidate 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 Candidate be affected or prejudiced.

21. The University may, at its discretion, add to or vary these terms and conditions, or issue additional guidelines with respect to the Scholarship 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 Scholarship. If such addition, variation, issuance, revision or amendment is unacceptable to the Candidate, he/she is entitled to terminate the Scholarship in accordance with Clause 10 above. Where the Candidate continues to accept the monthly stipend, tuition fees and/or any other benefits payable under the Scholarship after such notification, he/she shall be deemed to have accepted such addition, variation, issuance, revision or amendment