

# EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

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Mrs Tran Thuy Duong Principal Hanoi-Amsterdam High School for the Gifted Hoang Minh Giam Street, Trung Hoa Ward, Cau Giay District, Hanoi

Dear Mrs Duong,

# DR GOH KENG SWEE (GKS) SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023

I am pleased to inform you that applications for the 2023 Dr Goh Keng Swee (GKS) Scholarship, a private sector scholarship administered by the Association of Banks in Singapore (ABS), are open to students in Vietnam from now until 15 March 2023.

The Dr GKS Scholarship is awarded to outstanding individuals from 15 Asia-Pacific economies including Vietnam, who wish to pursue undergraduate studies at local universities in Singapore i.e. National University of Singapore (NUS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore Management University (SMU), and Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD).

I would like to seek your assistance in disseminating information about the Dr GKS Scholarship to promising students and strongly encourage them to apply for the Scholarship before the closing date of 15 March 2023 at <a href="http://www.pscgateway.gov.sg/app/gks/account/uidsignin">http://www.pscgateway.gov.sg/app/gks/account/uidsignin</a>. Applicants will be required to make their own arrangements to fulfil the necessary requisite university admission requirements and apply for admission to one of the above universities in Singapore. More details on the eligibility criteria, duration and terms of award, scholarship bond and dates of application are enclosed in the attached write-up.

For enquiries and more information, applicants may refer to the ABS website at: <a href="www.abs.org.sg/dr-goh-keng-swee-scholarship">www.abs.org.sg/dr-goh-keng-swee-scholarship</a> or send their questions to the following email address: <a href="mailto:GKS\_Scholarships@abs.org.sg">GKS\_Scholarships@abs.org.sg</a>.

Yours sincerely,

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### APPLICATIONS FOR DR GOH KENG SWEE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023

The Dr Goh Keng Swee (GKS) Scholarship is a private sector scholarship administered by the Association of Banks in Singapore (ABS). The Dr GKS Scholarship Fund was set up by the financial community in Singapore in honour of the former Deputy Prime Minister, who fostered Singapore's economic development and growth as a reputable international financial centre.

#### Eligibility

The Dr GKS Scholarship is awarded to outstanding individuals who are citizens/passport holders of any of the following 15 Asia Pacific economies: Brunei, Cambodia, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Korea, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, People's Republic of China, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam) who wish to pursue undergraduate studies at local universities in Singapore i.e. National University of Singapore (NUS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore Management University (SMU), and Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD). Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents are not eligible to apply for the Dr GKS Scholarship.

#### Applicants should

- Ensure that the necessary university admission requirements are met (inclusive of sitting for any required university entrance examinations);
- Concurrently apply for admission to NUS, NTU, SMU or SUTD. Most courses (except for specialised courses like Medicine) will be considered. Applicants should adhere to the university's admission deadlines and guidelines;
- Demonstrate leadership qualities and possess good academic and co-curricular activities (CCA) achievements; and
- Have taken the SAT or made arrangement to take the SAT\*
   (for more information on SAT and registration for the test,
   please refer to the College Board website).
  \*The SAT is optional for those who have a confirmed placement at NUS, NTU, SMU

or SUTD. Results must be submitted by 15 March 2023.

# Duration and Terms of Award

The Dr GKS Scholarship supports a maximum of 4 years of undergraduate studies (including Honours) and provides the following:

- Tuition and other compulsory fees;
- Airfare (to Singapore and return to Vietnam upon completion of study);
- Annual maintenance allowance of SGD6,500;
- Hostel allowance based on institution of study;
- Settling-in allowance (one-off expense of SGD200 upon arrival in Singapore.

The scholarship award will be reviewed annually and is subjected to satisfactory performance and academic results.

#### Scholarship Bond

Successful candidates will be required to work for 3 years upon completion of their studies in either:

- a) An approved company in Singapore; or
- b) An approved Singapore-based company in Vietnam.

The deployment of scholarship holders to serve their bonds will be determined by the Dr GKS Scholarship Fund.

## **Application**

Applications for the Dr GKS Scholarship for AY2023 are open from 15 November 2022 to 15 March 2023. Submission of application must be done at the following URL: <a href="https://www.pscgateway.gov.sg/app/gks/account/uidsignin">www.pscgateway.gov.sg/app/gks/account/uidsignin</a>

Shortlisted applicants will be required to take an online personality profiling test in April 2023. Applicants selected to attend the final interview can expect a session to be scheduled in end-May/June 2023.

For enquiries, please refer to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) at: <a href="https://www.abs.org.sg/docs/library/gkss-faqs.pdf">https://www.abs.org.sg/docs/library/gkss-faqs.pdf</a> or you can send your questions to the following email address: GKS\_Scholarships@abs.org.sg