

DETAILS ABOUT THE VARIOUS START SCHEMES AND THE 2019 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

About START

START supports young Singaporeans keen on pursuing an academic career at our AUs. It also aims to help our AUs strengthen their pool of academic talent in both research and teaching, by providing a suite of scholarships and support options for undergraduates and postgraduates interested in academia.

A. Ministry of Education – Autonomous University (MOE-AU) Scholarship

The MOE-AU Scholarship provides support at the undergraduate level, to help prepare recipients for future academic careers. Recipients also receive academic mentorship and developmental opportunities from their paired AU.

MOE-AU scholarship recipients are paired with a specific AU upon receipt of the scholarship, and scholars can express their preferences to be paired with a specific AU in their applications. Currently, MOE-AU scholarship recipients may be paired with NUS, NTU, the Singapore Management University (SMU) or the Singapore University of Technology and Design (SUTD).

The MOE-AU Scholarship sponsors recipients for up to four years of undergraduate studies, after which the scholar is expected to apply for and obtain an AU-sponsored postgraduate scholarship to pursue a PhD.

No.	Name	Course of Study and University	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Dylan Toh Shan Hong (Provisional Offer)*	Mathematics, University of Cambridge, UK	NUS
2.	Han Ruobin (Provisional Offer)*	Physics, Yale University, USA	NTU

* Provisional offers are given to scholarship recipients who have yet to complete their National Service obligations.

B. Overseas PhD Scholarship

The Overseas PhD Scholarship supports Singaporeans who have been accepted for doctoral training at a leading overseas/local academic/research institution. The scholarship provides support for up to five years in terms of stipends/salaries, overseas maintenance allowances, conference and fieldwork grants, airfares and other compulsory fees depending on the scholar's institution of study. Upon receipt of the scholarship, scholars will be paired with a local AU. MOE funds 50% of the scholarship while the paired university funds the other 50%. Scholars will return to

their paired university as faculty members upon completion of their doctoral training to serve their bond.

No.	Name	Course of Study and University	Paired Autonomous University
1.	<u>Cao</u> Xujun	Chemistry, Stanford University, USA	NUS
2.	Harisan Unais Nasir	Public Health, Rutgers University, USA	NUS
3.	Nur Hani Binte Zainal	Clinical Psychology, Pennsylvania State University, USA	NUS
4.	Eddie <u>Poh</u>	Accountancy, <i>University to be confirmed</i>	NTU
5.	Brandon <u>Yip</u> Zhen Yuan	Philosophy, Australia National University, Australia	SMU
6.	<u>Ho</u> Sheng Chao	Economics, University of Pennsylvania, USA	SMU
7.	Jerrold <u>Soh</u> Tsin Howe	Law, Harvard University, USA	SMU
8.	Rachel <u>Tan</u> Yi	Economics, University College London, UK	SMU
9.	Vincent <u>Ooi</u> Khay Hoe	Law, University of Cambridge, UK	SMU
10.	Geraldine <u>Quek</u> Cai Ting	Architecture and Sciences of the City, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland	SUTD

C. Overseas Post-Doctoral Fellowship

The Post-Doctoral Fellowship supports Singaporeans who have just been conferred a doctoral degree and have been accepted for postdoctoral training at a leading overseas/local academic/research institution. The Scholarship provides support for up to two years in terms of stipends/salaries, overseas maintenance allowances, conference and fieldwork grants, airfares and other compulsory fees depending on the scholar's institution of study. MOE funds 50% of the fellowship while the paired university funds the other 50%. Scholars will return to their paired university as faculty members upon completion of their post-doctoral training to serve their bond.

No.	Name	Course of Study and University	Paired Autonomous University
1.	<u>Huang</u> Zhipeng	Syntactic Variation and Learnability, University of Connecticut, USA	NUS
2.	<u>Ho</u> Jin Yao	Heat Transfer and Energy Related Research, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA	NTU

D. Early Career Awards

The Early Career Award supports Singaporeans who have completed their PhD and/or post-doctoral training, but have yet to be appointed to the tenure track in the Singapore AUs. Recipients of such awards will be expected to teach and conduct research, with the objective of helping them establish a competitive portfolio for consideration for appointment on the tenure-track at the AU thereafter. The award provides support for up to three years in terms of salaries/stipends and research grants. MOE funds 50% of the award while the paired university funds the other 50%.

No.	Name	Research Area	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Andrew <u>Yee</u> Zi Han	Communication	SUTD

E. Inauguration Grant

The Inauguration Grant aims to attract Singaporean academics to join our AUs as pre-tenure Assistant Professors. The grant is offered by the four AUs participating in the START scheme – NUS, NTU, SMU and SUTD. Under the grant, each recipient will receive a cash bonus, to be given out in two tranches. The recipient will receive the first payment after two years of service, and the second payment after another two years of service. 50% of this cash bonus will be funded by MOE and the other half by the awarding AU.

No.	Name	Research Area	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Bryan <u>Hooi</u> Kuen-Yew	Artificial Intelligence and Databases	NUS
2.	<u>Cheung</u> Hoi Shan	Parenting and Child Development	NUS
3.	Dennis <u>Hey</u> Hwee Weng	Spinal Degeneration and Preventive and Treatment Strategies	NUS
4.	Eunice <u>Tan</u> Jingmei	Ecological Interactions of Insects; Environmental Studies	NUS
5.	<u>Fong</u> Hung Yee	Pensions, Insurance, and Population Ageing	NUS
6.	<u>Koh</u> Ming Joo	Chemistry; Environmentally Sustainable and Economical Catalyst Systems	NUS
7.	<u>Lim</u> Shi Ying	Digital Entrepreneurship; Health IT Design and Digital Ecosystems	NUS
8.	Selina <u>Ho</u> Li Ching	Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy; International Relations; Comparative Politics	NUS
9.	<u>Tan</u> Hui Ren	Economic History, Labour	NUS

		Economics, Intergenerational Mobility, Immigration	
10.	<u>Zhang</u> Tengren	Low Dimensional Topology, Lie Theory, Geometric Structures	NUS
11.	Alan <u>Koh</u> Kai Yang	Business Law	NTU
12.	Corinne <u>Tan</u> Hui Yun	Business Law	NTU
13.	<u>Wong</u> Liang Jie	Electrical Engineering and Computer Science	NTU
14.	<u>Yuen</u> Kum Fai	Maritime Studies	NTU