# DR GOH KENG SWEE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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To all students

Dear Student,

# 2016 DR GOH KENG SWEE (GKS) SCHOLARSHIP

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

About 3 scholarships are awarded each year to outstanding individuals from 15 Asia Pacific economies (Brunei, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam) to pursue undergraduate studies at local universities in Singapore (i.e. National University of Singapore, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore Management University and Singapore University of Technology and Design). Candidates will serve a 3-year bond upon completion of their studies.

Application for the 2016 Dr GKS Scholarship is open from 16 October 2015 until 22 February 2016. Application procedures and further details of the scholarship are enclosed.

Yours Sincerely,

Ong-Ang Ai Boon, Mrs General Manager

# DR GOH KENG SWEE (GKS) SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

## **ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

Applicants should:

- (a) Be citizens/passport holders of the 15 Asia Pacific territories<sup>1</sup>;
- (b) Concurrently apply for admission to National University of Singapore, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore Management University or Singapore University of Technology and Design and adhere to the university's admission deadlines and guidelines;
- (c) Possess strong leadership qualities, good academic and co-curricular activities (CCA) achievements; and
- (d) Have taken the SAT, or made arrangements to take the SAT (results must be known before the closing of the scholarship application).

#### **DURATION & TERMS OF AWARD**

The scholarship will support a maximum of 4 years of undergraduate study (may include Honours). It provides the following:

- (a) Tuition and other compulsory fees;
- (b) Airfare (to Singapore and return to home country upon completion of study);
- (c) Annual maintenance allowance of SGD6500;
- (d) Hostel allowance based on institution of study; and
- (e) Settling-in allowance (one-off expense) of SGD200 upon arrival in Singapore.

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

# BOND

Successful candidates will be required to work for <u>3 years</u> upon the completion of their studies in either:

- (a) An approved company in Singapore; or
- (b) An approved Singapore-based company in their home country.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Brunei, Cambodia, China, Hong Kong SAR, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, Philippines, Taiwan, Thailand and Vietnam

The deployment of scholars to serve their bonds will be determined by the Dr Goh Keng Swee Scholarship Fund. Scholars are <u>not allowed to defer their bond</u> for postgraduate studies or other reasons.

## SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Applicants are not required to submit any documents at the application stage. Shortlisted applicants will be asked to do so at a later stage.

## **DATES OF APPLICATION**

The 2016 Dr GKS Scholarship application will commence on 16 Oct 2015 and end on 22 Feb 2016 at 23:59, Singapore time (UTC+08:00).

Please download the application form from the Dr GKS Scholarship website (<a href="http://www.abs.org.sg/dr-goh-keng-swee-scholarship.php">http://www.abs.org.sg/dr-goh-keng-swee-scholarship.php</a>), and submit the completed application form to GKS Scholarships@abs.org.sg

Shortlisted applicants will be required to take an online personality profiling test in Mar/Apr 2016.

Applicants selected to attend the final interview are encouraged to travel to Singapore in **mid-May 2016**. The trip will be at the applicants' own expense. If applicants are unable to travel to Singapore, alternative arrangements will be made.

## **ENQUIRIES**

For any enquiries, please contact us at <a href="mailto:GKS\_Scholarships@abs.org.sg">GKS\_Scholarships@abs.org.sg</a>