

ABOUT START AND THE 2024 START AWARD RECIPIENTS

A. 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. 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. There are two recipients for this scholarship this year.

No.	Name	Course of Study and University	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Li Xinrui (Provisional Offer)*	<i>Physics, TBC</i>	NTU
2.	Shanay Jindal (Provisional Offer)*	Natural Sciences (Physical), University of Cambridge, UK	SUTD

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

B. Overseas PhD Scholarship recipients

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. There are 10 recipients for this category in 2024.

No.	Name	Course of Study and University	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Chua Han Au	English, University of Oxford, UK	NTU
2.	Kok Bing Cai	Quantitative Psychology, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA	NTU
3.	Leong Yee Ting	History, University of Michigan, USA	NTU
4.	Quah Say Jye	Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge, UK	NTU
5.	Chew Feng Yi	Communication, University of Pennsylvania, USA	NUS
6.	Damien Lee Khai Jie	Materials Science and Engineering, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland	NUS
7.	Gabriel Ong Jing Xiang	Clinical Biochemistry, University of Cambridge, UK	NUS
8.	Yap Choon Kiat Luther	Economics, Princeton University, USA	NUS
9.	Yeo Si Jie, Ivin	Geography and the Environment, University of Oxford, UK	NUS
10.	Cheong Bing Cheng Ben Chester	Law and Land Economy, University of Cambridge, UK	SUSS

C. Overseas Postdoctoral Fellowship recipients

The Postdoctoral 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 postdoctoral training to serve their bond. There are six recipients for this fellowship in 2024.

No.	Name	Research Area and University	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Foo Zi Hao	Porous Organic Frameworks for Critical Material Recovery, University of California Berkeley, USA	NTU
2.	Ang Wei How Darryl	Palliative Care, University of Tokyo, Japan	NUS
3.	Cheng Ling Jie	Healthcare Intervention Outcomes and Economics, University of Oxford, UK	NUS

4.	Glenn Quek	Biohybrid Materials, University of Cambridge, UK	NUS
5.	Muhammad Suhail Bin Mohamed Yazid	Asian Studies and Southeast Asian Studies, University of California, Berkeley and Harvard University, USA	NUS
6.	Ng Yong Hao	Compassionate Communities, University of Western Australia, Australia	NUS

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%. There is one recipient for this award in 2024.

No.	Name	Research Area	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Marie Therese Siew Hui Lin	Information Systems Technology and Design	SUTD

E. Inauguration Grant recipients

The Inauguration Grant aims to attract Singaporean academics to join our AUs as pre-tenure Assistant Professors. 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. There are nine recipients for this category.

No.	Name	Research Area	Paired Autonomous University
1.	Lin Wan Han, Nataly	Special Education with a focus on Autism and Developmental Disabilities	NTU/NIE
2.	Paul Victor S/O Patinadan	Grief and Bereavement, and Critical and Community Health Psychology	NTU
3.	Peh Li Qi	English Literature	NTU
4.	Chng Tat Loon	Mechanical Engineering	NUS
5.	Lim Jie, Freddy	Information Systems and Analytics	NUS
6.	Ling Chun Kai	Computer Science	NUS

7.	Tan Kar Tong	Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences	NUS
8.	Tang Howard	Aquaculture Technologies	SIT
9.	Wong Heng Loong, Nicholas	Electronic and Computer Engineering, Telecommunications, Photonics, and Data Science	SIT