## GUIDE TO FEES AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Academic Year 2022/23

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In tertiary education, school fees are referred to as tuition fees. Students enrolling in AY2022 and are receiving the MOE Tuition Grant pay the following:

# Annual Subsidized Tuition FeesSingapore Citizens\$3,000Singapore Permanent Residents\$6,200International Students\$11,400

There are two semesters each year, and tuition fees are payable on a persemester basis. For example, Singaporean students need to make payment of \$1,500 for your tuition fees each semester. Students also need to pay for miscellaneous fees between \$60 to \$150 in the April semester each year.

## Education Expenses

Tuition fees may form the bulk of the cost, but there are also other expenses that students must consider and plan for.

### Lecture Notes, Books and Supplies Transport to and from Campus Daily Lunch on Campus

These costs are derived based on a conservative estimate and excludes the vacation period. The actual amount could be higher or lower depending on student's diploma, personal expenditure and lifestyle.





IT Apple MacBook Devices Apple iPad

The costs above are prices quoted by NP-authorized vendors and may not include peripherals. For more information on the device requirements specific to your diploma, please visit np.edu.sg/notebook.

### How much will my education in NP cost?

### \$400 \$540 \$1,000

To ensure that students graduate as self-directed learners and IT savvy citizens, each student is required to own an IT device. If you already own a device that complies with the minimum specifications for your diploma, you do not need to purchase a new one.

### Windows Notebook

\$1,300 - \$1,900 \$2,000 - \$4,000 \$468 - \$1,650

### Do I need to apply for the MOE Tuition Grant?

Tuition fees for full-time diploma programmes in NP are highly subsidized by the Tuition Grant scheme. All students, regardless of citizenship are eligible to receive it. Depending on citizenship, students may be required to serve a bond.

	Singapore Citizens (SC)	Singapore Permanent International Residents (SPR) Students (IS)	
Application Required	×	$\checkmark$	
	Automatically awarded <sup>#</sup> the grant without need for an	<ol> <li>Indicate interest to apply during enrolment</li> <li>Apply in the MOE Tuition Grant portal</li> <li>Complete signing of Tuition Grant agreement</li> </ol>	
	application, will pay annual subsidized fees of \$3,000	Students who do not apply and/or sign the agreement within the stipulated application period will pay annual non-subsidized fees of \$23,000. You will not be eligible for financial assistance.	
Repayment of Grant	×	×	
Bond Obligation	×		
		Contractually obliged to work in a Singapore-based company for three years upon graduation	

For more information on the steps to apply, including the most up-to-date application period, please check **tgonline.moe.gov.sg**. Email instructions will also be sent by early May to students who have indicated interest to apply for the scheme during enrolment.

\* Students are required to complete a declaration. You will be automatically awarded only if you have not received the Tuition Grant previously for education in a polytechnic or a higher level of education.

### What financial assistance schemes are there?

NP offers a range of financial assistance schemes that all NP students can apply for to finance their tuition fees and education expenses. We strive to ensure that no student is deprived of a quality education because of financial constraints.



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## **Schemes for Tuition Fees**

The following schemes can cover up to 100% of the subsidized tuition fees payable.

### MENDAKI Tertiary Tuition Fee Subsidy

Yayasan MENDAKI provides subsidies that are bond-free and non-repayable to students of Malay descent.

### Who can apply?

- Singapore Citizens and Singapore Permanent Residents of Malay descent
- Household Per Capita Income (PCI) less than \$2,000

### How to apply?

Apply via the MENDAKI website during application period

∦ tfas.mendaki.org.sg

### **Other Information**

- One successful application will cover student's tuition fees (up to subsidized percentage) for the entire course of their study
- 100% subsidy if PCI less than \$1,400
- 75% subsidy if PCI between \$1,401 and \$1,700
- 50% subsidy if PCI between \$1,701 and \$2,000

### Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA)

Unused funds in a student's Edusave account is transferred to PSEA upon progression to tertiary education. It may be used for the payment of tuition fees and miscellaneous fees.

### Who can apply?

 Singapore Citizens who have a Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA)

### How to apply?

- Submit the Standing Order form during application period
- ä<sup>⊬</sup> go.gov.sg/psea-p2s

### **Other Information**

- The Standing Order will allow NP to use the funds in the account to pay for tuition fees for as long as there are funds available
- Students with Singapore Citizen siblings may also use the funds in their siblings' PSEA or Edusave accounts

### CPF Education Loan Scheme

Students who have or whose parents have sufficient funds in their CPF Ordinary Account (OA) can apply to borrow these funds to pay for tuition fees.

### Who can apply?

 All full-time students regardless of citizenship

### How to apply?

Apply via the CPF website form during application period

### ∦ for.edu.sg/np-cpfels

### **Other Information**

- One successful application will cover student's tuition fees for the entire course of their study, subject to a withdrawal limit of 40% of the available balance in the account holder's OA
- Interest accrues from the time OA savings are withdrawn for payment
- Monthly repayment back to the account holder's OA commences one year after graduation from NP, and may be deferred further if student intends to further their studies

### Tuition Fee Loan

Under the Tuition Fee Loan scheme, students can borrow up to 75% of tuition fees, and is interest-free during the course of their study in NP.

### Who can apply?

 All full-time students regardless of citizenship

### How to apply?

 Obtain application form and submit to DBS accompanied by a guarantor during application period

### ä go.gov.sg/np-tfl

### **Other Information**

- One successful application will cover student's tuition fees for the entire course of their study
- Requires a guarantor between 21 to 60 years old, who is not an undischarged bankrupt
- Interest accrues one month after graduation from NP, or one month after ORD for males who are required to serve NS
- Monthly repayment through GIRO deduction by DBS commences one year after graduation from NP, or one month after ORD for males who are required to serve NS

### Schemes for Education Expenses

Bursaries & Grants are available to every Singaporean student whose Per Capita Income is less than \$2,250, and can be used to pay for tuition fees and education expenses.



Type of Bursary or Grant	•	Citizenship	Gross Household o Income (GHI)	Per Capita Income (PCI)	Award Amount
Higher Education Community	Tier 1	Singapore Citizen	Less than \$2,750	Less than \$690	\$2,750
Bursary	Tier 2	Singapore Citizen	Between \$2,751 and \$4,000	Between \$691 and \$1,000	\$2,400
Higher Education Bursary	Tier 1	Singapore Citizen	Between \$4,001 and \$6,900	Between \$1,001 and \$1,725	\$1,900
	Tier 2	Singapore Citizen	Between \$6,901 and \$9,000	Between \$1,726 and \$2,250	\$850
Donor Student		Singapore Citizen	Less than \$4,000	Less than \$1,000	\$500
Aid Grants	•	•	All recipients of the Higher Education Community Bursary will receive a Student Aid Grant.		to \$1,500
Donor Bursary		<ul> <li>Singapore PR</li> <li>International</li> <li>Student</li> </ul>	N/A	PR: Less than \$800 IS: Less than \$500	\$1,500 to \$1,800

Nearly **1** in **2** students receive financial assistance every year through Bursaries & Grants!

### How do I apply for Bursaries & Grants?

### When to apply?

- Applications are open 4 times across the academic year
   April, July, October and January
- Students are encouraged to apply early on in the year so that the bursary may be used for tuition fees and education expenses in the April semester

#### How to apply?

- Apply via NPal Student Portal during the application period
- Obtain consent from family members to retrieve personal information
- Check NP Connect email for confirmation and/or request for additional information or documents from HOMES within 3 to 5 working days
- > One application will cover all available schemes at the time of application

### ☆ npalstudent.np.edu.sg

### **Disbursement of Funds**

- Depends on type of bursary and grant awarded
  - Higher Education Community Bursary: Full amount by cheque issued through the Community Centres or through GIRO credit
- Higher Education Bursary / Donor Bursary / Student Aid Grant: Offset of any outstanding tuition fees, then balance given through GIRO credit

### **Other Information**

- The duration between application and outcome generally takes up to three months
- Bursaries & Grants are awarded once a year, and a fresh application is required for every year of study
- Repayment is not required, but applicants must not be in receipt of sponsorships or full scholarships
- Students who have applied for schemes for tuition fees may concurrently apply and receive Bursaries & Grants

### **Schemes for IT Devices**

Owning a IT device gives you the 'anytime, anywhere' flexibility to work on assignments, participate in online discussion, interact and collaborate with your classmates & tutors.

#### **Interest-Free** Opportunity **Fund Subsidy Financing Loan** Buy device by using a Buy device a bank loan upfront Repay bank after Receive part graduation reimbursem . Windows Notebook Vindows I Apple Notebook Mapple Note 🗹 Apple iPac All Citizenships Singapore Gross Household Gross Hous Income (GHI) of less Income (G than \$4,00 than \$4,000 or Per Capita Per Capita Income (P Income (PCI) of less than \$1,000 than \$1,000 Students v Eligible students will have the reimburse **Opportunity Fund** for purchas Subsidy deducted notebook. off total loan for an iPad amount repayable V Device mu A guarantor is purchased NP-author required vendor

### NEU PC Plus Programme

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Citizen	<ul> <li>✓ Singapore Citizen</li> <li>✓ Singapore PR</li> </ul>
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CI) of less D	✓ Per Capita Income (PCI) of less than \$900
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### How can I plan my finances?

Depending on your nationality, household income and available funding, students can use a combination of various schemes to pay for your tuition fees and support your education expenses.

My father owns a business and he earns about \$8,000 a month. My mother's a housewife and I have a younger sister. I wanted to use my father's CPF savings but it's not sufficient. What alternatives do I have?



**Tuition Fees** Payable Education Expenses **Higher Education Tuition Fee Loan** Covers 75% of tuition fees Bursary Adam can use the bursary to pay for the remaining 25% of tuition fees not covered by the loan.

My parents earn \$4,000 a month to support myself and my two younger siblings. To help my parents with my tuition fees, I occasionally work parttime but find myself having trouble with working and studying at the same time. What are the schemes I can apply to pay for my tuition fees and still have enough for my own expenses? - Indranee. SC

Post-Secondary CPF Education Loan Scheme **Education Account** Subject to Subject to available funds in available funds in parent's CPF savings can work less part time and



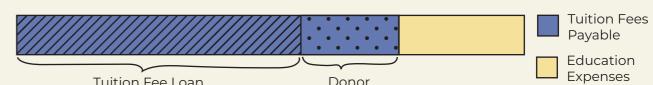
I'm living with my father and two younger siblings who are in primary school. We're Singaporean Malays, and my father is the sole breadwinner earning \$2,500 a month. What financial assistance schemes can I apply for?

- Ahmad, SC





PSEA account



Tuition Fee Loan Covers 75% of tuition fees

Donor Bursary Covers remaining 25% of tuition fees

Charts depicting tuition fees payable and education expenses are not drawn to scale. Education expenses will differ between individual students.





focus better on her studies.



Payable

Education Expenses

My sister and I are studying in Singapore, and my mother is a housewife. My father is working back in my home country to support us. He earns about \$3,000 a month. How can I get further assistance with my tuition fees? - Jaime , Singapore PR

# How will planning my finances change things?

Hear from alumnus about why you should take the first step to plan your finances before you embark on your learning journey in NP.

With an elder sibling pursuing a University education, the bursaries I received during my education in NP helped in paying for my tuition fees and reducing a significant amount of financial burden on my parents. It allowed me to pursue the diploma of my choice, and granted me with the opportunity to focus more on my studies as I did not have to work part-time as frequently.

### **Elodie Tan**

Diploma in Tourism & Resort Management Class of 2020

I've always wanted to pursue my education in Accountancy in Ngee Ann Polytechnic. Being the second in the family to enter a polytechnic, I understood the importance of a well balanced work-study schedule. The financial assistance I received has helped me cope with my school expenses and tuition fees, and I can focus on my studies with a lower part-time workload. This has allowed me to allocate my time to important things and focus on my studies with a peace of mind.

**Chloe Lee** Diploma in Accountancy Class of 2020

### How do I pay my fees?

Fees not covered by financial assistance schemes will be billed to students twice a year. Below are the various ways students can make payment to NP for tuition fees.

### **GIRO Deduction**

The recommended mode of payment is by automatic GIRO deduction. By submitting a Direct Debit Authorization for NP to deduct money from the designated bank account, students do not have to worry about late payment. Please ensure that there are sufficient funds in the designated bank account on the stipulated deduction date. If an application for Direct Debit Authorization is not submitted, students must make payment in a timely manner by the stipulated due dates through the other methods listed below.

### **Credit or Debit Card**

This refers to online payment with major credit/debit cards (VISA and MasterCard). Log on to NPal Student Portal to do so.

#### To make payment using the above methods,

☆ Freshmen: enrol.np.edu.sg

### Cash or Cheque @ OCBC

Go to any designated OCBC bank branch with your fee voucher for cash payment using a cash deposit slip. Retain the validated slip as proof of payment. Cheques payable to Ngee Ann Polytechnic can be dropped off at OCBC quick check deposit boxes. Indicate your name, student ID and NP's account no. 518-715297-001 on the cash deposit slip or behind the cheque.

### **PayNow**

Payment can be made via a preferred Internet Banking app. Follow the instructions on NPal Student Portal to do so.

## **April Semester**

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#### Schemes

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-Secondary Education Account > CPF Education Loan on Bursary / Donor Bursary / Student Aid Grant

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r the most up-to-date information, please visit np.edu.sg/coursefees



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#### **Tuition Fees & Payment**

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For the most up-to-date information on tuition fees, log on to **np.edu.sg/coursefees** 



#### **Financial Assistance**

Student & Alumni Services 6460 7553 askSAS@np.edu.sg

For the most up-to-date information on financial assistance schemes, log on to **np.edu.sg/financialaid** 

