



## THE UNIVERSITI MALAYA EXCELLENCE PhD SCHOLARSHIP

Universiti Malaya offers an exclusive scholarship to high performing and outstanding *new* postgraduate students (local and international) to pursue full-time PhD by research programme at Universiti Malaya.

### **SCHOLARSHIP PACKAGE**

Successful applicants will receive either a *FULL* or *PARTIAL* scholarship.

1. FULL Scholarship - RM2,500 stipend per month and tuition fees

Duration: for six (6) semesters or thirty six (36) months or until completion of the PhD programme whichever is shortest.

2. PARTIAL Scholarship - Tuition fees only

Duration: for six (6) semesters or until completion of the PhD programme whichever is shortest.

### **APPLICATION PERIOD**

ADMISSION	PERIOD OF APPLICATION	STATUS
SEMESTER I SESSION 2021/2022	1 September – 29 October 2021	NOW OPEN
SEMESTER II SESSION 2021/2022		OPEN SOON

### **APPLICATION CRITERIA**

#### **Specific Requirements for Student (Applicant)**

1. Open to all FULL TIME “new” Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) by research candidates in Universiti Malaya. “New” is defined as candidates who have not yet registered as a PhD student with Universiti Malaya. Those who have already registered as PhD students are not eligible to apply.
2. Minimum Requirements:
  - i. Bachelor’s Degree with CGPA of >3.5 (or equivalent), and:
  - ii. Master’s Degree by research; or Master’s Degree by mixed mode (coursework and dissertation) with distinction and a CGPA of at least 3.70/4.00 (or equivalent)

3. English language requirements:
  - i. IELTS Band 6.5 or TOEFL 73-93 or CEFR B2
  - ii. The validity of the English test is within two (2) years from the date of the examination
4. Must not exceed 35 years of age on the 31<sup>st</sup> December in the year of application
5. Must be registered as a *FULL TIME* student during the duration of study in Universiti Malaya
6. For recipients of FULL Scholarships, students must *NOT* be sponsored by any other body or organization

### **Specific Requirements for Supervisor**

1. Must be supervised by at least two (2) supervisors with good supervisory track records i.e. at least one (1) of the supervisors must have supervised to completion a minimum of three (3) PhD. candidates
2. The supervisors must have combined active research grant(s) balance of at least RM 50,000.00 (For S&T) and RM20,000.00 (For non-S&T) that is valid for at least 12 months from date of student registration
3. Only one(1) student can be a recipient per academic supervisor\* (per cohort)
4. A changing of supervisor(s) is *NOT* allowed. However, if there is a need for addition of supervisor, it is permitted with justification

*\*Consideration can be given in special situations (high amount of funding available, outstanding track record, etc.)*

### **APPLICATION ROUTES**

1. Candidate applies for scholarship via MAYA
2. Academic Administration and Services Centre (AASC ) screening the application
3. Shortlisted candidates will be called for an aptitude test and interview together with potential supervisor (s).
4. Successful candidate receives FULL or PARTIAL Scholarship offer letter.
5. Successful candidate MUST sign a scholarship agreement with Universiti Malaya

### **EXIT REQUIREMENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATE**

1. Candidate Must graduate with senate letter within seven (7) semesters or forty two (42) months

2. Publish two (2) papers (or any other requirement necessary for graduation) before the seventh semester and for FULL scholarship recipients, an additional one (1) paper within a year of graduation.
3. Penalty will be incurred if the exit criteria is *NOT* met at semester nine (9) or fifty four (54) months (for FULL scholarship) and semester seven (7) or forty two (42) months (for PARTIAL scholarship)

### **IMPORTANT NOTE**

Please note that the results for the scholarship application will only be available at the end of December 2021 (which is after the registration date for semester I, session 2021/2022). As such, for candidates who wish to register in the semester I, session 2021/2022, you may register and pay upfront all fees on your own. Should you be selected as a recipient of the scholarship, your registration fees will be reimbursed accordingly. However, please note that you should work on the assumption that you are able to pay for your own fees throughout the programme as there is no guarantee that you will receive the scholarship.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply, kindly visit:



### **CONTACT US**

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