

A*STAR GRADUATE ACADEMY



Experience Singapore's vibrant and diverse research landscape, gain fresh perspectives and develop new skill sets to enhance your research capabilities

The A*STAR Research Attachment Programme (ARAP) supports international PhD students to deepen and broaden their research experience under the mentorship of world-class researchers in Singapore. During your research journey with A*STAR RIs, you can access state-of-the-art labs and network with leading supervisors and researchers to explore diverse career pathways.

Nomination Submission Deadlines

15 May 30 November

COLLABORATE & NOMINATE IN 6 STEPS













Note: Nomination should be submitted at least 4 – 5 months in advance of intended attachment start date

Due to keen competition for limited awards, all applications will be competitively assessed.



COVERAGE

Successful applicants will receive the following support for up to two years:



Monthly Stipend



Monthly Housing Subsidy



One-time Airfare Grant



One-time Settling-in Allowance



One-time IT Allowance



Medical Insurance



Conference Support



DURATION

One to two years



ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA*

- ✓ Open to international students with at least an undergraduate degree with Second Class (Upper) Honours or equivalent, who have been admitted to a PhD programme
- ✓ Strong referral reports
- ✓ Possess a good track record in research

* The above criteria are not exhaustive. For complete eligibility criteria, refer to our website for more information.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Is there a need for a research agreement or ARAP partnership to be in place between the university and A*STAR Research Institute (RI) before a student can be nominated?

There is no need for an agreement to be in place. As long as there is a research collaboration between the overseas university and an A*STAR Research Institute, eligible students from the overseas university may be nominated for ARAP.

- 2. What are the eligibility criteria for students to be nominated for ARAP? Students must be matriculated or offered a PhD position at the collaborating university, and should possess at least a Bachelor's degree with Second Class (Upper) Honours or equivalent.
- 3. Can students enrolled in an integrated MSc-PhD programme be nominated for ARAP?

Students would be placed on ARAP only during the PhD phase of their programme.

4. Are students required to undertake English language proficiency tests to be considered for ARAP?

The programme does not require students to undertake English language proficiency tests. However, students should demonstrate some level of English proficiency as the main medium of communication in Singapore is English.

5. Does the award cover the university tuition fees for the duration of ARAP?

The award provides monthly stipends and allowances for the awardee whilst at A*STAR but does not cover the tuition fees at the university.

6. Can ARAP awardees extend their attachment beyond two years?

ARAP provides funding support for up to a maximum of two years. Awardees may check with the A*STAR Research Institute on funding opportunities if they wish to extend the attachment beyond two years.



Accurate as of 1 Nov 2023.



HEAR FROM OUR AWARDEE!



The international experience in Singapore equipped me with the necessary skills such as networking, problemsolving and adaptability that are essential as a scientist.

Dr Marilyne Philibert

ARAP alumnus



Scan to learn more about our ARAP awardee and her experience

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