

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS DEADLINE | 25 DECEMBER 2020

The Asia Research Institute (ARI) of National University of Singapore (NUS) invites applications from graduate (MA and PhD) students who are engaged in research on Southeast Asia for the annual fellowship and forum:

ASIAN GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOWSHIP | 7 June – 16 July 2021

WEBSITE | <https://ari.nus.edu.sg/asian-graduate-student-fellowship-2021/>

Offered to graduate students working in the **humanities and social sciences on Southeast Asian topics**, this opportunity will allow the recipients to connect with NUS on a virtual fellowship for a period of six (6) weeks.

Successful candidates can expect the following benefits:

1. Access to library and computer resources in NUS
You can look forward to excellent library access to e-resources at NUS' main library (<http://www.lib.nus.edu.sg/>).
NUS' main library has 2 million volumes covering all topics.
2. Exposure to webinars by various experts in the field
3. An appointed mentor/advisor on your research topic
4. An opportunity to present your research paper at the Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies to an audience of young international scholars and senior Southeast Asia specialists

Intensive English Academic Writing Program (Optional)

A limited number of students will be selected to take part in a two-week long intensive course on English academic writing, to be held online. This program is specifically intended for students who still struggle with writing and/or communicating in academic English, often coming from non-English speaking backgrounds. This program may benefit students who require support in the English language in their academic courses.

SINGAPORE GRADUATE FORUM ON SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES | 12-16 July 2021

WEBSITE | <https://ari.nus.edu.sg/events/16th-singapore-graduate-forum/>

This five-day forum, the sixteenth of an annual series of forums for graduate students who work on Southeast Asia, will be organised thematically online. Themes broadly reflect (though not limited to) the core research strengths of the Asia Research Institute, including the Asian dynamics of religion, politics, economy, gender, culture, language, migration, urbanism, science and technology, identities, population and social change.

The first two days of the forum will be dedicated to Skills Based Sessions during which senior scholars will address various topics such as:

- How to get published in peer-reviewed journals
- How to apply for international grants
- How to flourish as an early career academic

During the final three days, graduate students will be given the opportunity to present their work in sessions organized thematically. Graduate students working on topics related to Southeast Asia are invited to submit abstracts based on research at an advanced stage (i.e. already completed data collection and analysis). If research plans were disrupted due to the COVID-19 pandemic, students are encouraged to submit proposals based on work in progress that critically reflects upon pandemic research modalities through methodological innovation. NUS students are also encouraged to take advantage of this unprecedented opportunity to interact and exchange ideas with students from other regions whose interests focus on Southeast Asia.

REQUIREMENTS & EXPECTATIONS

Successful candidates for the fellowship are expected to submit a draft of their papers by 21 May 2021. This paper will be shared with his/her local mentor in preparation for his/her interactions with her/him.

Those selected for both the fellowship and forum are required to send in a full-length paper (4,000-5,000 words) by 23 June 2021, and make a presentation on their work at the Singapore Graduate Forum on Southeast Asian Studies on 12-16 July 2021.

Please note that the paper must be based on your own work, and only previously unpublished papers or those not already presented elsewhere can be accepted.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Candidates are to send a softcopy of the following documents in English language to Ms Tay Minghua at aritm@nus.edu.sg by 25 December 2020:

- a) Application Form
- b) Paper Proposal
- c) Research Proposal (additional for AGSF application)
- d) A Letter of Recommendation from your Thesis Supervisor

Since the fellowship offers an opportunity to enroll in an English academic writing course, your referee should also address how and why you would benefit from such a program (if applicable).

Please click [here](#) for the Application Form. Successful applicants will be notified by mid February 2021.

CONTACT PERSON

For any other queries, please contact Ms Tay Minghua at aritm@nus.edu.sg.

CONVENERS

Dr Carola E. LOREA, Asia Research Institute, NUS (Chair)

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