SCHOLARSHIPS AND RESEARCH GRANTS BETWEEN FRANCE AND SINGAPORE

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A. FRENCH/EU-SINGAPOREAN JOINT PROGRAMMES

FRANCE – SINGAPORE HUBERT CURIEN PARTNERSHIP "MERLION"
This programme, launched in 2006, aims to reinforce bilateral cooperation in research. Three types of cooperation are funded:
• Merlion projects between French and Singaporean researchers, post-doctoral and Ph.D. students involved in a joint project;
• Merlion workshops, organised jointly by French and Singaporean institutions;
• Merlion Ph.D., allowing doctor students to spend up to 18 month in France over a three-year period.

NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (NRF) - AGENCE NATIONALE DE LA RECHERCHE (ANR) JOINT GRANT CALL
This bilateral cooperation funds collaborative research projects in scientific and technical innovation every year since 2014. The 2020 grant call topics are 1) Materials, nanotechnologies, nanosystems, 2) Information Communication Science Technologies including Quantum Technologies and Artificial Intelligence, and 3) Applications of digital technologies to health, sustainable mobility, sustainable cities.

UNIVERSITÉ DE PARIS - NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE (NUS)
Calls are launched three times a year for joint research projects between the two universities.

EUROPEAN RESEARCH COUNCIL (ERC) - NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (NRF) IMPLEMENTING ARRANGEMENT
This is a new scheme to encourage high-calibre researchers supported by the NRF to make research visits to Europe, where they will work in ERC-funded teams on a temporary basis.

B. FUNDING FROM FRANCE

EIFFEL SCHOLARSHIP
Offered by the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs, the scholarship allows students doing their Master or Ph.D. to study law, economics and management, engineering sciences and political sciences in a French higher education institution. The scholarship covers a period of between one to three years, with a monthly allowance of €1,181.

FRANCE EXCELLENCE PROGRAMME
This scholarship, launched as part of the closing of the Year of Innovation France-Singapore 2018, gives undergraduate and graduate students the opportunity to experience an internship of three to six months in a French company in France, or in Asia.

MAKE OUR PLANET GREAT AGAIN (MOPGA) SCHOLARSHIP
MOPGA scholarships are designed for master students enrolled in French higher education institutions to follow a course on earth system sciences, climate change and sustainability sciences, energy transition or the societal stakes of environmental issues. Students will receive an excellence scholarship of €1,190/month over a period of 12 months for enrolment in Master 2 and 24 months for enrolment in Master 1. Health insurance and round trip ticket are covered.
C. FUNDING FROM FRENCH HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

Here are some examples of funding opportunities provided by French higher education institutions that are available to international students. You can find many other options on the Campus France website, Campus Bourse.

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SCHOLARSHIPS

DUO PROGRAMME AT NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE (NUS)
Two students from EU countries on exchange for one semester or one year at NUS can receive a financial help of €4,000. Similarly, two students from NUS (from Singapore, or an ASEAN country) will get the same amount when studying in a European country as non-graduating students. Open to all nationalities, this scholarship will cover all the costs of studying at NTU.

SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP
Singapore Management University offers various scholarships for international students, to help them financially during their graduating or post-graduating studies in Singapore.
GOVTECH SINGAPORE IN SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP
The Government of Singapore allows undergraduate with excellent academic records, as well as fresh graduates working in the private sector, to study at a Master’s level to prepare for a career in the Civil Service. Participating universities include both Singaporean and overseas universities. The scholarship covers tuition fees, costs of living, airfare, and other costs.

SMART NATION SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship is offered by the Cyber Security Agency of Singapore (CSA), the Government Technology Agency (GovTech) and Infocomm Media Development Authority (IMDA) to Singaporeans with A-levels or a polytechnic diploma who wish to pursue technology studies in Singapore or abroad. The scholarship pays the tuition fees and a living allowance for scholars going overseas. Scholars on an overseas programme are expected to serve a 6-year bond upon their return.

SINGAPORE GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP
This scholarship by the Government of Singapore is open to Singaporeans with A-levels or a Polytechnic diploma who wish to pursue a career in various fields except Medicine, Dentistry and Architecture. They may choose to study in Singapore or abroad. The scholarship pays the tuition fees and a living allowance for scholars going overseas. Scholars on an overseas programme are expected to serve a 6-year bond upon their return.

RESEARCH FUNDING

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL PRE-GRADUATE AWARD (SIPGA)
This Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A*STAR) scholarship supports short-term research stints in A*STAR research institutes, to give an idea of Singapore’s scientific ecosystem. Applicants must have a Bachelor’s or a Master’s degree.

SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL GRADUATE AWARD (SINGA)
This programme is open to Ph.D. students in the field of biomedical sciences, physical science and engineering in NUS, NTU or Singapore University of Technology & Design (SUTD), in cooperation with A*STAR’s research institutes. The scholarship provides a monthly stipend of SGD2,000, free tuition fees, airfares and a settling-in allowance.

A*STAR RESEARCH ATTACHMENT PROGRAMME (ARAP)
This programme allows the student to participate in the activities of an A*STAR research institute of their choice, for a period of between 1 to 2 years.

A*STAR INVESTIGATORSHIP
This scholarship is offered by the Singapore Ministry of Health’s National Medical Research Council (NMRC) and A*STAR. The objective is to attract young researchers from all over the world through funding their research in biomedicine, physics and engineering in one of A*STAR laboratories.
SINGAPORE NRF FELLOWSHIP
This grant allows early-career researchers from all nationalities in the scientific and technological fields to carry out their activities independently in Singapore. Up to SGD 3 million disbursed over five years is offered. Partner institutions are A*STAR, NUS, NTU, SMU, SUTD and Temasek Life Sciences Laboratory.

LEE KUAN YEW POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP (LKY PDF)
Given to new Ph.D. graduates of all nationalities, this scholarship funds research activities in Singapore in engineering, public health and medicine over 3 years.

E. FUNDING PROVIDED FROM EUROPE

ERASMUS MUNDUS SCHOLARSHIP FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
The Erasmus Mundus Scholarships in 2020, funded by the European Union, are exclusively awarded to students coming from both EU and non-EU countries that have been selected to attend the Erasmus Mundus Joint Programmes at Masters or Doctorate level.

F. INNOVATION PROGRAMMES TO FINANCE RESEARCH

SINGAPORE-FRANCE JOINT INNOVATION CALL
In partnership with BPIFrance, Enterprise Singapore supports French and Singaporean companies in jointly developing an innovative product or application in manufacturing, clean technology and medical technology, with the grant covering up to 70% of the project’s costs. Calls are held every year.

CALLS FOR INNOVATIVE PROJECTS FROM SINGAPOREAN NATIONAL AGENCIES
A few national agencies have their own calls for projects. Examples include the Call for Ideas Fund from the National Environment Agency (NEA), the Research Incentive Schemes for Companies from the Economic Development Board (EDB) or the Innovation & Enterprise Cluster Fund from the National Research Foundation (NRF).

YEI START IN FRANCE - YOUNG ENTERPRISE INITIATIVE
The YEi Start in France programme, founded in 2005, is an accelerator for young science-based companies interested in growing their business in France and Europe. YEi Start in France provides a personalised immersion week in France including training sessions, networking and one-on-one meetings that will allow each laureate to benefit from an extensive customised business network and connections to the best resources in Europe.

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