



ANNOUNCEMENT

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP TO FOREIGN STUDENTS TENABLE IN BRUNEI DARUSSALAM FOR THE 2014/2015 ACADEMIC SESSION

With the consent of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan of Brunei Darussalam, the Government of Brunei Darussalam is offering annual scholarships under a special scholarship award scheme, for the 2014/2015 academic session.

Tenable in Brunei Darussalam, the aim of the scholarship awards is to provide applicants, with the opportunity to study at Universiti Brunei Darussalam [UBD], Universiti Islam Sultan Sharif Ali [UNISSA] and Institut Teknologi Brunei [ITB].

The academic year for UBD, UNISSA and ITB commences in July / August 2014.

1. ELIGIBILITY

- 1.1 Citizens of ASEAN, OIC and Commonwealth member countries and others are eligible to apply.
- 1.2 Applicants must be between the ages of 18 - 25 for undergraduate programmes and not exceeding the age of 35 for postgraduate programmes on the 31 July 2014.
- 1.3 The award is NOT eligible to Brunei Permanent Residents and foreigners residing in Brunei Darussalam.

2. TENURE OF SCHOLARSHIP

- 2.1 The Scholarship award is normally tenable for the minimum period required to obtain the specific degree which is four (4) years for a First Degree with Honours, one (1) to two (2) years for a Master's Degree, three (3) years for a Doctoral Degree at UBD, UNISSA and ITB, three (3) years for Diploma of Health Sciences at UBD, all on a full-time basis.



2.2 The Scholarship award is subject to the scholar maintaining satisfactory conduct and progress in his/her studies. This requires the scholar to maintain an active registration and academic status by passing the prescribed semester examinations and attaining the minimum course credit units. The scholarship will be reviewed at the end of each semester. Should the scholar fail to obtain the minimum course credit units or is placed on probation status, the scholarship award will be terminated and revoked.

2.3 The duration of the scholarship granted will **NOT** be extended in any case, and changes of institution or programme is not permitted.

3. THE BENEFITS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

3.1 The scholars are exempted from paying tuition fees and other appropriate compulsory fees as determined by the institutions for the duration of the programme.

3.2 One return economy class air ticket for the most economically viable route to Brunei Darussalam will be determined by the Government of Brunei Darussalam. No additional assistance will be provided towards other travel expenses.

3.3 Allowances payable will include:

- i) Monthly personal allowance of BND500.00;
- ii) Annual book allowance of BND600.00;
- iii) Monthly food allowance of BND150.00;
- iv) Upon completion of the programme, baggage allowance to a maximum of BND250.00 to a country in the ASEAN region or BND500.00 to countries outside the ASEAN region.

3.4 An accommodation at respective institution's residential college is provided. If the scholar opts not to live in the provided accommodation, no additional allowance will be given in lieu of board and transport.



- 3.5 Outpatient medical and/or dental treatment is complimentary at any Brunei Government hospitals. However, an administrative charge is payable for each consultation with the government general practitioner or specialist.
- 3.6 Should the scholar opts to seek medical and/or dental treatment at a private hospital or clinic, all expenses are to be borne by the scholar himself/herself.
- 3.7 The scholar is **NOT** eligible to claim any other facilities apart from those aforementioned under item 3.

4. PROGRAMMES OFFERED AND ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS

Please refer to accompanying information in Appendix A, or to the following websites:

- i) www.ubd.edu.bn
- ii) www.unissa.edu.bn
- iii) www.itb.edu.bn

5. OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

- 5.1 Scholars are not encouraged to bring their family members for the duration of the scholarship.
- 5.2 Spouse and/or child allowance is not payable to the scholar. Accommodation is not provided to an accompanying family member or any other person.
- 5.3 This scholarship may not be held concurrently with any other scholarship, fellowship, grant or loan without the prior approval of the Government of Brunei Darussalam. This scholarship will be terminated immediately should the scholar be found to concurrently hold another scholarship.
- 5.4 Under no circumstances are the scholars allowed to leave the country for more than 30 days per academic year without prior permission from the Ministry of Education of Brunei Darussalam. Failure to comply with this condition may lead to the forfeiture of payments of the scholar's monthly allowance.



- 5.5 The scholar may not undertake paid employment or serve on the staff of their country's representative in Brunei Darussalam during the award.
- 5.6 The Government of Brunei Darussalam will not be responsible for securing employment for the scholar after graduation.
- 5.7 An applicant may be required to appear for an interview at such place(s) as may be determined by the institutions offering the programmes, and to sit a written examination to assess the scholar's proficiency in the English Language / Malay Language / Arabic Language (where applicable).
- 5.8 The scholar must abide by the rules and regulations of the institution of study and the laws of Brunei Darussalam.
- 5.9 The scholarship is granted for studies in Brunei Darussalam only and therefore do not include participation in any form of activities under the Study Abroad Programmes nor the Discovery Year Programmes. The scholar may however choose to participate in such programmes at his/her own expense.
- 5.10 The Government of Brunei Darussalam reserves the right to terminate the scholarship awarded to the scholar as recommended by their respective institution or if deemed to be justifiable.
- 5.11 Upon completion of the programme, the scholar is required to return to their country of origin with immediate effect.
- 5.12 If a scholar wishes to withdraw from the Brunei Darussalam Scholarship during the course of study, the scholar has to give one month advance notice and repay the full costs received by the scholar to the Ministry of Education of Brunei Darussalam. The scholar's return home airfare will be on their own expense.
- 5.13 It is a prerequisite for the scholar to insure themselves with 24 hours traveling and health insurance for the whole duration of their stay in Brunei Darussalam at their own expense.