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FACT SHEET

Integrated Infocomm Scholarship

In 2009, IDA launched a new scholarship programme for infocomm studies, the Integrated Infocomm Scholarship (IIS) programme, targeting outstanding 'O' level students. The IIS allows students to pursue infocomm-related diploma and degree courses from polytechnic through to university. To ensure that students under the IIS are able to gain meaningful and relevant industry exposure to the infocomm industry, IIS scholars will be provided with opportunities for both overseas and local industry attachments in major infocomm corporations. This five-year programme will support up to 150 scholarships till 2013.

The IIS is a scholarship programme that aims to:

- Attract outstanding 'O' level students who are interested in pursuing infocomm studies from polytechnic through to university level, and subsequently pursue an infocomm career; and
- Meet the industry's overall manpower needs for infocomm fresh graduates.

Scope

The scholarship, available to both Singapore Citizens and Permanent Residents, is open to outstanding students who have completed their 'O' level studies and are keen to pursue a full-time infocomm-related diploma and degree course in a local polytechnic and university respectively.

The scholarship covers tuition fees, annual allowances, computer allowances, as well as overseas and/or local internship allowances of up to six months. IIS scholars at the university level will also receive funding support to pursue developmental courses to ensure that they are "industry-ready" once they graduate and enter the workforce. At the end of their university studies, all IIS scholars would go on to serve a three-year bond in the infocomm industry undertaking an infocomm-related job approved by IDA.

Top performing scholars at the polytechnic level may also have the opportunity to apply for the National Infocomm Scholarship (NIS) programme for sponsorship of their university studies. Where a scholar is awarded NIS, the applicable NIS terms and conditions would apply accordingly.

Scholarship Coverage

The scope of the IIS programme covers two main areas – infocomm studies at the polytechnic level and at the university level.

(I) Polytechnic Level

- Full polytechnic tuition fees at a local polytechnic for infocomm-related courses
- One overseas and / or multiple local attachment(s) of up to six months in infocomm-related jobs during your course of study, covering the following
 - Monthly attachment allowance
 - Settling-in allowance (for overseas attachment only)
 - Warm clothing allowance (for overseas attachment only)
 - Insurance and medical checkup (as required)
 - Economy-class return airfare (for overseas attachment only)
- Annual allowance
- One-off computer allowance

(II) University Level

IIS scholars will have two possible options to pursue infocomm-related degree courses at university level.

Option 1 – Continue under IIS

- Full university tuition fees at a local university (i.e. NUS, NTU, SMU) for infocomm-related degree courses
- Local internship opportunities in an infocomm-related job of up to six months during course of study, including monthly attachment allowances
- Funding to attend developmental courses
- Annual allowance
- One-off computer allowance

Option 2 – Apply for National Infocomm Scholarship (NIS)

Alternatively, IIS scholars can also apply for the NIS programme for sponsorship of their university studies. If IIS scholars are successfully selected for NIS, the terms

Eligibility Criteria

- Be a Singapore citizen or Permanent Resident
- Possess outstanding “O” Level results
- Have a good Co-Curricular Activities (CCA) record
- Possess a strong interest in the infocomm industry

Terms & Conditions

Successful applicants will be required to:

- Read an infocomm-related course at any of one of the five polytechnics in Singapore
- Read & graduate with an infocomm-related degree at university level thereafter
- The following conditions will apply if applicants take up IIS:

	IIS	
	Poly Studies	Local Uni Studies
Type of Course	Read an infocomm-related course under IIS at any of the 5 local polytechnics	Read an infocomm-related degree course at any of the 3 local universities
Performance Criteria	Obtain good results in order to matriculate, read & graduate with an infocomm-related degree at university level	Graduate with a CAP of 4.0 or at least a 2nd upper honours
Bond	In lieu of a bond, scholars must go on to read & graduate with an infocomm-related degree at university level	Bonded to IDA for 3 years, but to serve bond in an infocomm-related job in any organisation, as approved by IDA.

Course of Study

The list of polytechnic courses of study eligible under the IIS programme can be found at infocommtalent.sg/iis.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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