



MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE, ADMINISTRATIVE AND
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From: Secretary for Public Service

To: Supervising Officers in charge of Ministries/Departments

Postgraduate Scholarship under the Singapore-Africa Partnership Package

The Government of the Republic of Singapore is inviting applications for Postgraduate Scholarship for academic year 2024 offered under the Singapore-Africa Partnership Package (SAPP) in Singapore, as follows:

School	Postgraduate Programme (one-year full time)
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (LKYSPP)	Master in Public Administration (MPA) https://lkyspp.nus.edu.sg/graduateprogrammes/master-in-publicadministration-mpa/mpa-curriculum (August 2024 – June 2025) Deadline for online application: 31 December 2023
S Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS)	Master of Science (International Relations) http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/graduateprogrammes/mscinternationalrelations/synopsis
	Master of Science (International Political Economy) http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/graduateprogrammes/msc-international-politiceconomy/synopsis
	Master of Science (Strategic Studies) http://www.rsis.edu.sg/gpo/graduateprogrammes/msc-strategicstudies/synopsis (August 2024 – May 2025) Deadline for online application: 31 December 2023

- The prospective applicants should –
 - be government officials with at least 5 years of working experience;
 - possess a Degree with good academic grades; and
 - be proficient in both spoken and written English.
- The cost of participation of selected candidates, namely programme fees, return-trip airfare, single room accommodation on campus and a monthly stipend will be met under SAPP.

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4. Applicants should submit, through their respective Supervising Officers, the duly filled in documents listed below, to the Human Resource Development Division of this Ministry, to the attention of Miss D. Bissoondoyal, at latest by **Tuesday 31 October 2023** –

- (a) Printed copies of Application form (3 copies);
- (b) Survey and Undertaking forms (original and 2 copies) available on:
<https://civilservice.govmu.org/Documents/TAPS/Survey%20forms.pdf>;
- (c) Letter from Supervising Officers certifying that the applicants would be released for the training program in the event they are selected (3 copies); and
- (d) Any other documents as required by SAPP.

5. Any queries on the SAPP Scholarship can be addressed to mfa_scp@mfa.gov.sg with the subject line: “SAPP Scholarship query”.

6. All necessary clearances, as appropriate, should be sought by the nominating Ministry/Department and the procedures set out in this Ministry’s Circular Letter No. 41 of 27 September 2016 should be strictly complied with.

7. In view of the fact that nominations for any programme are **subject to exigencies of the service**, applicants should imperatively seek and obtain approval from their respective Responsible Officers for their release in the event they are awarded the scholarship before submitting their applications. The conditions for the release of an officer are as follows:-

- (a) an officer shall be eligible for study leave with pay in accordance with paragraph 16.4.81 of the PRB Report 2021, where he is nominated for an open scholarship which is considered as in-service training and the course is in the list of priority field of study;
- (b) where an officer is granted study leave with pay, he will be required to enter into a bond with the Government of Mauritius in accordance with the provisions laid down in this Ministry’s Circular Letter No. 1 of 2022; and
- (c) where the officer does not satisfy the conditions for the grant of study leave with pay, he may opt for leave without pay for study purposes in accordance with paragraph 16.4.94 (G) of the PRB Report 2021.

8. For all overseas (face-to-face) training, the conditions imposed by the Ministry of Health and Wellness and issued in this Ministry’s Circular Letter No. 50 of 2021, should be strictly complied with.

9. It would be appreciated if the content of this Circular Letter could be brought to the attention of all eligible public officers serving in your Ministry/Department including those in Local Authorities, Statutory Bodies and State-owned enterprises falling under the purview of your Ministry/Department.


K. Conhye
Secretary for Public Service

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