

Undergraduate Scholarships Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

About Undergraduate Scholarships in SIM

1. What is the objective of undergraduate scholarships?

The objective is to provide scholarships to local and international students with exemplary academic results and impressive leadership records or achievements in sports and artistic talents to pursue Bachelor's degree programmes at SIM Global Education (SIM GE).

2. How long is the scholarship bond?

No bond is required under the terms of this scholarship.

3. How long is the tenure of the scholarship?

For new students, the scholarship is tenable for the minimum period required to complete the full course of study, as stipulated by the programme.

For existing students, the scholarship is tenable for the minimum period required to complete the remaining period of study, as stipulated by the programme.

4. What is the value of the scholarships?

SIM STARRR Award – The scholarship is valued at up to S\$51,000 per recipient.

SIM Award / Sports & Artistic Talent Award - Each of these scholarships provides S\$15,000 per recipient. The award amount is disbursed in two installments: the first at the time of the award and the second after the final semester results review.

5. Who can apply?

The scholarship is open to Singapore citizens, permanent residents and international, full time and part-time students.

6. Which programmes are eligible for support under the undergraduate scholarships?

Only Bachelor's degree programmes are eligible.

7. When can I apply?

There are two application periods in a year:

March for programmes commencing in the second half of the current year.

September for programmes commencing in the first half of the following year (except for UOL programmes).

Application is via [BrightSparks](#). Applicants must separately seek admission to their programmes of choice and must be accepted for admission before being awarded the scholarship.

8. What documents should I submit when applying for scholarship?

All official academic documents and documentary evidence of your achievements, awards, and involvements in CCAs, from O level or equivalent onwards, are required as supporting documents for the scholarship application.

9. How many scholarships do you give out per year?

There is no fixed quota. Selection is based on merit and the scholarship panel's decision.

10. May I apply for more than one scholarship?

No, you cannot apply for more than one scholarship. The scholarship may not, without the prior approval of SIM, be held concurrently with any other award.

12. I want to study at SIM, but I do not have sufficient funds. Can I apply for scholarship to pay for my studies?

The undergraduate scholarship selection is based on merit and scholarship application does not guarantee award, so do make alternative plans in case your application is unsuccessful.

13. Am I eligible to apply for the scholarship when I have no CCA participation in Secondary/JC/Poly?

The scholarship selection panel is looking for candidates who excel both inside and outside the classroom.

14. What is the selection process like?

Shortlisted candidates will undergo an interview with the Scholarship Selection Panel.

For the SIM STARRR Award, shortlisted candidates must also complete a High Potential Trait Indicator test.

All applicants, whether successful or unsuccessful, will be notified of the outcome via email. SIM does not engage in correspondence regarding scholarship decisions and reserves the right to modify the terms and conditions of any SIM Scholarship without prior notice.

15. When will the outcome be known?

The outcome will be known in about 8 weeks after the closing date.

16. What will happen if I have not received my scholarship application outcome, but my payment is due?

Please proceed to make all payments due. If you are successful in your application, the scholarship award is via disbursement / reimbursement, not via offsetting of the fees due.

17. May I withdraw from the scholarship upon successful application?

Yes, you may withdraw from the scholarship upon successful application. However, should you withdraw from the course before the satisfactory completion of the course, you will reimburse SIM the full course fee that has been paid by the Institute within three months of withdrawal.

18. Will withdrawal of my current scholarship affect my future application?

Yes. There are limited places at each round of application and your withdrawal status will be considered in your next application.

19. May I defer the scholarship offered to me to next year?

No, there is no deferment of the scholarship. Student has to re-apply for scholarship the following year.

20. May I defer the scholarship offered to me after my National Service?

No. Student can only apply for the scholarship upon completion of his National Service.

21. May I change the course of study or take up any additional course of study?

No. Student shall not change the course of study or take up any additional course of study without the prior written permission of SIM.

22. What is required of me after I have been awarded the scholarship?

Recipients of Scholarships are to sit for all examinations, complete the course within the prescribed times and conform to all regulations, instructions and course requirements in force of the respective programmes, as well as to fulfill the requirements, involvement and contributions stated in the scholarship award agreement document.

23. What happens if I do not do well for my first year after receiving the award?

SIM shall review the recipient's performance at the end of the programme's semester or academic year (as applicable) before the scholarship is renewed. SIM reserves the right to withdraw or terminate the scholarship at any time if, in its opinion, the recipient's conduct or performance has not been satisfactory.

24. What happens if I fail any of the required examinations?

Should you fail any of the required examinations, the scholarship may be terminated. You shall personally bear and be liable for the course fees for the remaining duration of the programme when the scholarship award is terminated.

You shall be further liable to repay SIM, in one lump sum, all of the Sponsorship Award Benefits that have been paid and received by you under the scholarship award agreement, within three (3) months from the effective date of termination.

25. Do I have to submit my transcripts every year?

Yes, you must submit your transcripts every academic semester/ year, within 7 days after receiving your results, for SIM to review your scholarship.

Types of Scholarships

SIM STARRR Award

What is this award about?

This award honours exceptional freshmen who excel in academics, have a remarkable co-curricular record, display outstanding leadership qualities, and exemplify resourcefulness, responsibility, and resilience, while also showing significant potential for future leadership roles.

What are the selection criteria for the award?

Candidates should possess:

- Outstanding academic achievements (with grades above average or higher)
- Good record of co-curricular activities
- Strong leadership experiences and interpersonal and communication skills
- A considerable degree of maturity, self-reliance and self-discipline in managing studies and lifestyle.
- Demonstrated qualities of resourcefulness, responsibility, and resilience
- High Potential Trait Indicator test (applicable only to shortlisted candidates)

What are the conditions during the tenure of the scholarship?

Successful applicants shall:

- Set a good example, e.g. Strive for best results, attend classes diligently and continue to demonstrate the exemplary student's attributes or grades by which he/ she was awarded the scholarship.
- Hold leadership role / position in co-curricular activities managed by the Sponsor / in external organization(s) or any other related contributions agreed upon by the Sponsor.

Assume the role of the Student Ambassador to represent and promote SIM GE to current and prospective students and guests

SIM Award

What is this award about?

Awards are granted to outstanding new and existing students who have achieved academic excellence and demonstrated leadership qualities both in and outside the classroom.

What are the selection criteria for the award?

Candidates should possess:

- Outstanding academic achievements and an impressive community contribution/ co-curricular involvement record.
- Strong leadership experiences and interpersonal and communication skills.
- A considerable degree of maturity, self-reliance and self-discipline in managing studies and lifestyle.
- Results of at least second upper grades and above.

What are the conditions during the tenure of the scholarship?

Successful applicants shall:

- Set a good example, e.g. Strive for best results, attend classes diligently and continue to demonstrate the exemplary student's attributes or grades by which he/ she was awarded the scholarship.
- Hold leadership role / position in co-curricular activities managed by the Sponsor / in external organization(s) or any other related contributions agreed upon by the Sponsor.
- Assume the role of the Student Ambassador to represent and promote SIM GE to current and prospective students and guests.

Sports & Artistic Talent Award

What is this award about?

Awards are granted to athletes who possess impressive track record of achievement in sports OR individuals with outstanding artistic talents.

What are the selection criteria for the award?

Candidates should have:

- Satisfactory academic results
- Impressive track record in the areas of Sport or the Arts,
- Results of at least second lower grades and above.

1. What are the conditions during the tenure of the scholarship?

Successful applicants shall:

- Represent SIM at all major inter-tertiary tournaments and competitions
- Represent SIM at events that showcase talents in the artistic field
- May be attached to different sporting/ artistic CCAs as student coach/instructor
- Set a good example for peers and assume the role of the Student Ambassador to represent and promote SIM GE to current and prospective students and guests