

MSEF SIYUAN Scholarship / Bursary

Origin:

“Gratitude” is a beautiful feeling, a healthy state of mind, a conscience, and a driving force. The Malaysian Social Entrepreneurs Foundation (hereafter MSEF) has specially set up the “MSEF SIYUAN Scholarship / Bursary” to encourage and affirm children from low-income or disadvantaged families who possesses excellent academic performance and good morals to help them manage their families’ financial difficulties, or to support them when they are suffering from disasters, accidents and other misfortunes in their families. At the same time, it is hoped that this scholarship/bursary will guide them to the right path towards education.

Currently, various schools and charities have set up scholarships, grants, or student loans to assist needy students whose families are suffering financially from the pandemic’s impact. It is for this reason that the “MSEF SIYUAN Scholarship/Bursary” is established by the MSEF. It is also hoped that the scholarship/bursary is able to reduce the financial burden of disadvantaged families. Ultimately, it is the MSEF's wish that the beneficiary students will never forget to be grateful and will learn to give back to society.

Accordingly, the MSEF will require the beneficiary students to participate in the “Voluntary Action” initiated by the foundation after graduation by working as volunteers in any designated public welfare and charitable organizations. This is so that they will truly participate in public welfare practice to serve the community and to support various charities. The MSEF hopes that once the beneficiary students enters society in the future, they will put the people first in everything they do and will be considerate to others, so as to realize the sense of responsibility and self-worth learned in the “MSEF SIYUAN Scholarship/Bursary” and the “Voluntary Action”.

Purpose:

1. To encourage and affirm students from low-income or disadvantaged families to continue their studies.
2. Cultivate students’ sense of gratitude and social responsibility, and to truly realize their self-worth.

Qualifications and conditions:

1. Qualifications of applicants:
 - a) Candidate must have been admitted into a NEUC full-time Diploma or Degree programme.
 - b) New applicants whose secondary school grades are excellent; Current applicants must have a minimum CGPA of 2.75.
 - c) Holds Malaysian citizenship.
 - d) Low-income families whose basic life is not guaranteed, or changes in family situation or facing major disasters leading to difficulties without receiving other financial assistance.
 - e) Active participation in extra-curricular activities.
 - f) Having good conduct.
2. Documents required for application include: MSEF SIYUAN Scholarship/Bursary Application Form, Self-assessment form, Academic transcript, Certificate of Extracurricular Activities, Recommendation Form by High School Principal, Moral Assessment Form (Moral Assessment Form must be filled out by high school principal, head teacher, or heads of participating groups.)
3. NEUC will preliminarily review the applicant’s information, and the “Selection Committee” will interview the selected students.
4. Students who received notice of acceptance after the interview must inform NEUC within 7 days to accept or reject the scholarship. If no response is received after 7 days,, the scholarship/bursary will be declared invalid.

The beneficiary students:

1. The beneficiary students will enjoy free tuition during their Diploma or Bachelor programme of study and will only pay a small miscellaneous fee, but will be responsible for the living and accommodation expenses themselves.
2. This scholarship does not support the cost of 2+2 courses or for studies abroad.
3. Beneficiary students will no longer be funded if their studies are extended, or their graduation is delayed.
4. The MSEF shall cover the NEUC’s tuition fees as per the NEUC fee schedule. Students or parents are prohibited from exchanging the grants for cash.
5. Following graduation from the Diploma programme, beneficiary students must re-apply for the scholarship according to the prescribed procedures if they wish to continue to a bachelor’s programme.
6. Beneficiary students who dropped out from NEUC must repay their scholarship to the MSEF.
7. During the scholarship period granted by MSEF, the recipients shall not accept other scholarships without prior written approval from NEUC and the MSEF.
8. Beneficiary students must maintain a minimum CGPA of 2.75.
9. The MSEF reserves has the right to suspend or renew the scholarship for the next academic year based on the beneficiary students’ academic performance and extracurricular activities.
10. Scholarship recipients shall be required to volunteer and participate in community services in NGOs/charity organizations as prescribed by the MSEF from time to time within 4 years upon graduation. The duration for the volunteer community services shall be determined solely on the duration of studies of the scholarship recipient in accordance to the table below. There will be no salary/allowance/reimbursement for the community services.

Duration of Bursary Award	Total No. of Hours for Community Service
1 year	500 Hours
1 year and 1 or 2 semester(s)	700 Hours
2 years	1000 Hours
2 years and 1 or 2 semester(s)	1250 Hours
3 – 3.9999 years	1500 Hours
4 – 4.9999 years	1800 Hours
5 years and above	2000 Hours

11. The beneficiary students and their parents or guardians are obliged to attend and cooperate with the award ceremony, explanation session, and filming session arranged by the MSEF for the “MSEF SIYUAN Scholarship/Bursary”.
12. The MSEF reserves the right to revise the content of this terms and conditions. For other matters not covered in this document, the final interpretation by the MSEF shall prevail.