



APPLICATION GUIDELINES

WORLD'S TOP UNIVERSITIES PROGRAMME (WTU) 2020

MARA is offering convertible loans for outstanding students to pursue their academic degrees at bachelor, master, PhD and doctorate level at world's top universities. This program is aiming at generating potential professional leaders and competitive workforce for the future.

2.0 TERMS OF APPLICATION

2.1 General Terms

- 2.1.1 Malaysian citizens.
- 2.1.2 The applicants and parent(s) must be Bumiputera national.
- 2.1.2 Age limit as of 31st December, 2020:

Level of study	Age Limit
Bachelor's degree	30 years old
Master's degree	35 years old
PhD / Doctoral degree	40 years old

- 2.1.3 The applicants must have no previous equivalent of qualification.
- 2.1.4 The applicants must obtain a certified bill of good health from registered medical practitioners and are free of pregnancy, free of substance abuse, mental incapability, physical disability, infectious diseases (HIV-AIDS, Hepatitis B & C and others), epilepsy, and hereditary diseases.
- 2.1.5 The applicants must not be under any obligations of financial or sponsorship contracts with other agency at the time of the application.
- 2.1.6 The applicants/ parent(s)/ guardian(s) must not have any ongoing blacklisted records or under any legal action by MARA.
- 2.1.7 The applicants must not have any records of disciplinary actions taken by the previous sponsor(s), act against the law and termination from any institutions due to academic and disciplinary issues.

- 2.1.8 The applicants must obtain a release / a suspension of service contracts or repayment of loan agreements from other sponsorship bodies if any. Employed applicants who are currently in service are required to provide with official unpaid study leave or written confirmation letter from their respective employer(s).
- 2.1.9 Parent(s) / guardian(s) with total taxable income of not more than RM 600,000.00 per year or on average gross of income of not less than RM 60,000.00 per month.

2.2 Programme Terms

- 2.2.1 Existing undergraduate applicants and new applicants must only from the universities listed in Appendix 1.
- 2.2.2 Fields of study must be recognized by the Jabatan Perkhidmatan Awam (JPA) or Civil Service Department and also by the designated Professional Bodies.
- 2.2.3 Academic requirements are as follows:

Level	Local/ International Requirement	
Bachelor's Degree	International Baccalaureate (IB): 35/45 pt A-Level: 13/15 pt Foundation/ Asasi/ Matrikulasi/ Diploma: CGPA 3.6/4.0 IELTS: BAND 7.0 @ TOEFL: 100/120 @ SAT: 1200/1600	
Master's degree	Bachelor's Degree of CGPA ≥3.80 or equivalent and recognized by the government IELTS: BAND 7.0 @ TOEFL: 100/120	
PhD / Doctoral's degree	Master's Degree of CGPA ≥3.80 or equivalent and recognized by the government. IELTS: BAND 7.0 @ TOEFL: 100/120	

3.0 LOAN PERIOD

3.1 The loan term for the new students will be according to the stipulated period of the study from their respective universities while the existing students will receive loans for the remaining period of their study of not less than one year.

4.0 APPLICATIONS

- 4.1 Application must only be made via online at MARA's official website http://www.mara.gov.my from 12th to 23rd May 2020.
- 4.2 Only successful applicants will be notified within three (3) months upon the closing date. Appeals will not be entertained.

5.0 ENQUIRIES

For further inquiries and information, please contact the number and link below:

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LIST OF WORLD'S TOP UNIVERSITIES PROGRAMME

No.	List Of Universities	Country
1	Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)	USA
2	Stanford University	USA
3	Harvard University	USA
4	University of Oxford	UK
5	California Institute of Technology (Caltech)	USA
6	ETH Zurich - Swiss Federal Institute of Technology	Switzerland
7	University of Cambridge	UK
8	University College London	UK
9	Imperial College London	UK
10	University of Chicago	USA
11	National University of Singapore (NUS)	Singapura
11	Nanyang Technological University (NTU)	Singapura
13	Princeton University	USA
14	Cornell University	USA
15	University of Pennsylvania	USA
16	Tsinghua University	China
17	Yale University	USA
18	Columbia University	USA
18	EPFL	Switzerland
20	The University of Edinburgh	UK
21	University of Michigan Ann Arbor	USA
22	Peking University	China
22	University of Tokyo	Japan
24	Johns Hopkins University	USA
25	Duke University	USA
25	The University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
27	The University Of Manchester	UK
28	University of California, Berkeley (UCB)	USA
29	The Australian National University	Australia
30	University Of Toronto	Canada

SOURCES: LIST OF QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING

NOTE:

DUE TO THE CURRENT COVID-19 PANDEMIC, SENDING STUDENTS ABROAD MUST REQUIRE APPROVAL FROM THE UNIVERSITIES AND RESPECTIVE NATIONAL LOCAL AUTHORITIES.