



# **APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

## WORLD'S TOP UNIVERSITIES PROGRAMME (WTU) 2021

MARA is offering convertible loans for outstanding students to pursue their bachelor's degree at world's top universities. This programme is aiming at generating potential future professional economy drivers and competitive workforce.

#### 2.0 TERMS OF APPLICATION

#### 2.1 General Terms

- 2.1.1 Applicants and parent(s) MUST be of Malaysian (Bumiputera).
- 2.1.2 Age limit as of 31st December, 2021:

Level of study	Age Limit
Bachelor's degree	30 years old

- 2.1.3 The applicants must have no previous equivalent of qualification.
- 2.1.4 The applicant must obtain a certified medical confirmation of good health from medical professionals and is eligible for studying abroad.
- 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).

## 2.2 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. However, medicine and dentistry are not included in the WTU programme.
- 2.2.3 Parent(s) / guardian(s) with income of less than RM 60,000.00 per month **OR** with total taxable income of not more than RM 600,000.00 per annum.
- 2.2.4 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 6.5 @ TOEFL: 100/120 @ SAT: 1200/1600

### 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 14<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> June 2021.

- 4.2 Only shortlisted applications will be notified (via email/ sms) to sit for evaluation test.
- 4.3 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 link below:

E-mail : wtu@mara.gov.my

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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	California Institute of Technology (Caltech)	USA
5	University of Oxford	UK
6	ETH Zurich - Swiss Federal Institute of Technology	Switzerland
7	University of Cambridge	UK
8	Imperial College London	UK
9	University of Chicago	USA
10	University College London	UK
11	National University of Singapore (NUS)	Singapura
12	Princeton University	USA
13	Nanyang Technological University (NTU)	Singapura
14	EPFL	Switzerland
15	Tsinghua University	China
16	University of Pennsylvania	USA
17	Yale University	USA
18	Cornell University	USA
19	Columbia University	USA
20	The University of Edinburgh	UK
21	University of Michigan Ann Arbor	USA
22	The University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong
23	Peking University	China
24	University of Tokyo	Japan
25	Johns Hopkins University	USA
25	University of Toronto	Canada
27	The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	Hong Kong
27	The University Of Manchester	UK
29	Northwestern University	USA
30	University of California, Berkeley (UCB)	USA

**SOURCES: LIST OF QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKING 2021** 

## NOTE:

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