



**EXPERIENCE  
WORLD-CLASS  
RESEARCH**

**A\*STAR RESEARCH ATTACHMENT PROGRAMME (ARAP)**

**Experience Singapore's vibrant and diverse research landscape, gain fresh perspectives and develop new skill sets to enhance your research capabilities**

The A\*STAR Research Attachment Programme (ARAP) supports international PhD students to deepen and broaden their research experience under the mentorship of world-class researchers in Singapore. Students can pursue research for up to two years at A\*STAR's state-of-the-art labs. Awardees have the opportunity to learn, collaborate and expand their research network and explore various career paths.





**Nomination Submission Deadlines**

**15 May  
30 November**

# RESEARCH AREAS

Attachments broadly fall under four categories:



-  **Biomedical Sciences**
-  **Computing and Information Sciences**
-  **Engineering and Technology**
-  **Physical Sciences**



## COLLABORATE & NOMINATE IN 3 STEPS



### COVERAGE

Successful applicants will receive the following support for up to two years:



**Monthly Stipend**  
of S\$2,700



**Monthly Housing Subsidy**  
of S\$600



**One-time Airfare Grant**  
of S\$1,500



**One-time Settling-in Allowance** of S\$1,000



**One-time IT Allowance**  
of S\$800



**Medical Insurance**



**Conference Support**



### DURATION

**One to two years**



### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA\*

- ✓ International students with at least an undergraduate degree with Second Class (Upper) Honours or equivalent, who have been admitted to a PhD programme
- ✓ Strong referral reports
- ✓ Possess a good track record in research

*\* The above criteria are not exhaustive. For complete eligibility criteria, refer to our website for more information.*



**Find Out More!**  
[a-star.edu.sg/ARAP](http://a-star.edu.sg/ARAP)

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## 1. **Must there be a research agreement or ARAP partnership between the overseas university and the A\*STAR Research Institute (RI)?**

There is no need for an agreement to be in place. As long as there is a research collaboration between the overseas university and an A\*STAR Research Institute, eligible students from the overseas university may be nominated for ARAP.

## 2. **What are the eligibility criteria for students to be nominated for ARAP?**

Students must be matriculated or offered a PhD position at the collaborating university, and should possess at least a Bachelor's degree with Second Class (Upper) Honours or equivalent.

## 3. **Can students enrolled in an integrated MSc-PhD programme be nominated for ARAP?**

Students would be placed on ARAP only during the PhD phase.

## 4. **Are students required to undertake English language proficiency tests to be considered for ARAP?**

The programme does not require students to undertake English language proficiency tests. However, students should demonstrate some level of English proficiency as the main medium of communication in Singapore is English.

## 5. **Does the award cover the university tuition fees for the duration of ARAP?**

The award provides monthly stipends and allowances for the awardee whilst at A\*STAR and does not cover the tuition fees at the university.

## 6. **Can ARAP awardees extend their attachment beyond two years?**

ARAP provides funding support for a minimum of one year to a maximum of two years. Awardees may check with the A\*STAR Research Institute on funding opportunities if they wish to extend the attachment beyond two years.



# ABOUT SINGAPORE

## A nexus for international R&D collaborations

Located in the heart of Southeast Asia, Singapore is a modern cosmopolitan city-state with a multi-ethnic population of about 6 million. By leveraging science and technology, Singapore is dedicated to developing an internationally vibrant research and innovation hub.



## HEAR FROM OUR AWARDEE!

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The international experience in Singapore equipped me with the necessary skills such as networking, problem-solving and adaptability that are essential as a scientist.

### Dr Marilyn Philibert

ARAP alumnus  
Scientist at A\*STAR's Institute of Materials  
Science and Engineering



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