NATIONAL COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIAL SERVICE TRIBE STUDY AWARD

Frequently Asked Questions for Applicants

1. What support is provided by the partnering Social Service Agency (SSA)?

Upon successful application, awardees will receive a study award from the partnering SSAs.

2. Will the application window be open throughout the year?

The application window will be open once a year.

3. How do I apply for the study award?

Interested applicants will have to put up their applications directly to the SSAs of their preference. Please refer to the list of partnering SSAs listed on the Social Service Tribe Website and apply directly with the SSA(s) of your choice.

4. What are the eligibility criteria for the Social Service Tribe Study Award application?

To be eligible to apply for the Social Service Tribe Study Award, candidates should:

- a. Possess a strong interest and passion for serving in the social service sector, and display good conduct and character. Academic results, co-curricular activity (CCA) records, volunteering and leadership experience may also be considered.
- Have gained admission into one of the full-time qualifying courses of study in a local institution recognised by the professional associations such as Singapore Association of Social Workers (SASW), Allied Health Professions Council (AHPC) and Singapore Psychological Society (SPS);
- c. Be accepted into one of the following qualifying courses of study: Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Speech Language Therapy, and Psychology. Please note that for:
 - i. Speech and Language Therapy, both undergraduate and postgraduate students are eligible for the study award;
 - ii. Psychology, only postgraduate students are eligible for the study award.

5. Are undergraduate and postgraduate students studying <u>overseas</u> eligible for the Study Award? Only students who are studying in <u>local</u> institutions that are recognised by the professional associations are eligible for the Social Service Tribe Study Award.

6. Do I have to be already studying in school to be eligible for the Social Service Tribe Study Award?

To be eligible to apply for the Social Service Tribe Study Award, the applicant should have gained admission into a full-time qualifying course of study in a local institution recognised by the professional associations such as Singapore Association of Social Workers (SASW), Allied Health Professions Council (AHPC) and Singapore Psychological Society (SPS).

7. Are part-time students eligible for the Social Service Tribe Study Award?

The Social Service Tribe Study Award can only be offered to <u>full-time</u> students.

8. What is the selection process for Social Service Tribe Study Award?

All shortlisted applicants will undergo the selection process as required by the respective partnering SSAs. Decisions made by the SSAs will be deemed as final.

9. What is expected of me during the programme period?

As an awardee, you are expected to:

- a. Graduate from the qualifying course of studies within the stipulated time period and to serve a bond with your partnering SSA upon completion of studies.
- b. Update your partnering SSA should there be any changes to your status during your studies.

10. Who will I be serving my bond with?

You are required to serve a bond period with the partnering Social Service Agency that has offered you the study award.