KPMG ASEAN Scholarship

South-East Asia is changing rapidly. The countries of ASEAN are experiencing rapid growth, and the new breed of accounting, advisory and tax professionals need to be conversant with working across cultures and borders.

KPMG’s ASEAN Scholarship is a new scholarship programme for South East Asia students established in 2015 as the first regional scholarship for young undergraduates looking to get a head-start in their careers with a professional services firm. This programme is supported by KPMG offices in Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore and Thailand.

At the heart of KPMG are our people. We are constantly on the look-out for bright and talented people like you, because we know you have the potential and the ability to change the future for the better. Your dreams and your ambitions will have a place to flourish at KPMG because we are interested in stretching your potential and accelerating your professional success.

As a KPMG ASEAN scholar, you can look forward to diverse learning and development opportunities and cross-border exposures through a structured programme which consists of three pillars:

- **Professional Development**
  To help you build core competencies and skills and develop professionally through induction programmes, structured internships in regional firms and mentorships by Partners, amongst other people development initiatives.

- **Strategic Engagement**
  To help you build breadth and depth of knowledge across sectors and borders through interactions with KPMG leaders who will share valuable insights about their careers and outlook of the various industries and countries.

- **Social Connection**
  Be part of the dynamic ASEAN network where you will get to know and interact with fellow ASEAN scholars who will be future leaders in different KPMG firms.

**Eligibility Requirements**

What are the requirements to apply for ASEAN scholarship?
To qualify for the KPMG ASEAN Scholarship, you should be:

- a self-motivated achiever with a consistent and strong academic track record of excellence in either of the following:
  - SPM / O-Levels / Equivalent : 6As and at least B for English & Maths;
  - STPM / A-Level / Equivalent : 2Bs and above;
  - Degree : GPA 3.2 and above / 2nd upper or equivalent
- a first or second year undergraduate of a local tertiary institution.
- actively involved in co-curricular activities either in school or in the community.
- a strong leader who possesses ASEAN and global mindset.
- an excellent communicator who demonstrates a high degree of initiative, maturity and enthusiasm.
- self-confident and have the determination to succeed.
- Malaysian only.

And of course, you must possess a passion for life, a desire to learn and the ambition to pursue careers in audit, advisory and tax.

**FAQ**

Got a question on our KPMG ASEAN scholarship opportunities? Find answers here.

**What is unique about the KPMG ASEAN Scholarship programme?**

KPMG is the first of the Big 4 professional services firms to provide a regional scholarship programme which will give the ASEAN scholar the opportunity to experience working in different countries when they are in universities and early in their careers.

The KPMG ASEAN scholarship is all about you. Because we recognise that young aspiring people like you have great dreams and ambitions, we invest through our Scholarship programme to develop your personal and professional capabilities to help you reach your potential as leaders and responsible corporate citizens.

As a fresh graduate, you will be exposed to a wide variety of professional offerings in audit, tax and advisory services. You will also be given opportunities to train or work overseas.

**What are some of the qualities that KPMG looks for in their scholars?**

We are looking out for well-rounded individuals who possess excellent interpersonal skills, a high degree of emotional maturity and with global mindset. Our scholarships are offered to those with a strong focus to make their mark in a professional services firm.

**What do we provide during the course of KPMG ASEAN Scholarship programme?**
The KPMG ASEAN scholarship programme is a holistic programme that looks into the financial, skills, development, mentoring and coaching needs of each individual scholar.

Financial support for ASEAN scholars is provided through:

- Tuition fees grant of RM20,000 per annum
- Allowance for overseas internships

To help our scholars ease into the corporate world, we will see to that they have access to experienced managers and partners who can serve as their coaches and mentors while they are still in school and when they join us as colleagues.

To broaden their horizons, our scholars will be offered two internships with our member firms – one with the local member firm and another with a member firm in ASEAN.

The goal is to provide our scholars the platforms, network and support to excel and work towards achieving their personal and professional goals and aspirations.

**How is the application process like?**

You will need to submit your application via the KPMG ASEAN Scholarship online application form.

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**What can I look forward to upon joining KPMG after graduation?**

You will work in two countries (Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Singapore) or across functions over the first three years of your career. Therefore, you will have opportunities to work in different areas.

You will be given excellent learning and development opportunities and unrivalled industry exposure. You will be mentored by senior members of staff and management to ensure that your welfare and development remains a priority to us throughout your career.

You can also look forward to rapid career advancement in the firm. You will start as an Associate and make your way up to Senior Associate, Assistant Manager, Manager, and eventually, Executive Director or Partner of the firm. At every step of the way, we will provide the necessary learning and guidance through structured learning and milestone programmes, excellent industry exposure and mentoring to ensure that you obtain the maximum benefits of our scholarship programme.
Is there a bond if I am awarded the scholarship?

We know that successful candidates want to develop a great career with us and are expecting you to be committed for at least 2 years after graduation.

During this time, they will participate in programmes designed to expand their horizons, allow them to explore the opportunities that await, excel in the professional field and grow as leaders and responsible corporate citizens.

How to apply

Interested to apply for a KPMG ASEAN scholarship? Find out how.

Application Details

Thank you for your interest in the KPMG ASEAN Scholarship Program.

The Application period for KPMG ASEAN Scholarship is from 1 February 2016 to 15 April 2016.

Other important dates to note are:

- Interview and Acceptance Period: May to June 2016
- Awards Ceremony (for successful scholars): June 2016

Please check the website from time to time for more updates.

For more information, kindly call 03-7721 3388 (People, Performance & Culture) or email to mysvcaseanscholar@kpmg.com.my