Scholarship Guidelines

PhD Department

Asia-Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary

In Partnership with Asia Graduate School of Theology

1. Scholarships

APNTS partnerships provide financial aid to deserving PhD students. All scholarships are subject to the availability of funding. Application for scholarships is made through the Scholarship Committee and there are eligibility requirements for each applicant.

Scholarship Committee

APNTS Academic Dean

Program Directors of all three PhD programs

Representative of the source of the funding

How to Apply

PhD students who have received "regular acceptance" (submitted all requirements for admission) will be eligible to apply for scholarship. To apply, students must complete the "AGST-APNTS SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT FORM." This form is available in the www.apnts.edu.ph or in hard copy at the APNTS Registrar's Office.

The Scholarship Selection Process

The Scholarship Committee screens the scholarship applicants and makes decision based on the following:

- Admission requirements
- Financial status submitted by the student
- Academic and ministry potential of the student
- Availability of funds
- Upon consideration of the above items, applicants will be notified of the result of the deliberations of the committee.

Scholarship Terms and Conditions

Based on the deliberation of the Scholarship Committee, the applicant will be notified as to how much and for how long the scholarship applies.

1. Scholarships will be paid directly to the student's account at APNTS. A portion of the scholarship money may be withdrawn in cash provided that all tuition fees are covered.
2. Recipients of more than $500 in scholarship assistance are required to do "gratis work" to APNTS. This would include teaching in the master's program at APNTS for at least six lecture hours per semester, doing research for a professor, or other academic tasks approved by the Program Director.
3. The scholarship recipients must maintain a minimum of 3.5 GPA (i.e., 4.0 being the highest) in order to receive additional funding.
4. The scholarship recipients agree to conduct themselves according to biblical standards of morality so as not to bring disgrace or dishonor to God, themselves, their family, their church or their country.

Kinds of Scholarships

A. Work Grants

- Students may apply for a work grant through the Student Work Assistant Program (SWAP). This is a program that is based on the availability of funds of APNTS.

B. Scholarship from Partner Organizations

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AGST-APNTS secures scholarship assistance through other agencies and donors. This can only be possible when there are funds available from donors.
The following additional Terms and Conditions apply to these AGST-APNTS scholarships.

- The funds are given to the scholarship recipient as a loan. The loan is forgivable at a rate of 20% a year following graduation, on the condition that the graduate continues to serve in ministry within his or her home country. However, if a student feels called to be a missionary, he or she needs to submit a statement indicating his or her calling with corresponding recommendation from a national leader. If the student is already a missionary, he or she should submit a recommendation from his or her missions director.
- Students who receive scholarship funds and who for valid reasons withdraw from the program prior to graduation will not be required to repay the loan if they continue in ministry within their home country.
- Students who are asked to leave the program for any reason (e.g. academic, moral) will be required to repay the loan in full.
- If at any point in the program the student decides he or she cannot abide by the above conditions, he or she must immediately return to AGST all scholarship funds received.

C. Partial Tuition Scholarship from Program Funds

- The student will apply for the scholarship following the process and with the stipulations articulated in the Scholarship Policy outlined above.
- Students are not eligible to receive scholarship tuition fees for the first subject. They need to find their own support for that. But beginning with their second course, the scholarship could pay $150 (of the $225 cost of a 3 unit course) for each course taken in the year, up to 5 courses, which would be a maximum of $750 of scholarship money over the year.
- The scholarship will apply for one year and students will reapply each year. Students with two or more Incompletes will not be eligible for a scholarship.

D. Guest Lecturer (GL) Scholarship

- There are times when professors at APNTS would need guest lecturers for their course. When they do, they would inform the Program Directors who would in turn communicate to the PhD students the application process and other pertinent information.
- Students who have completed at least five courses in the PhD program may apply as GLs. They should be in good standing and are in residential or nearby off-campus housing status. Interested students may inquire from their respective Program Directors.
- GLs would receive a modest stipend of P500/hour of teaching. Maximum number of hours of teaching is six hours. GLs may also be given other responsibilities related to class needs by the professor of record for the course.

E. A Scholarship for APNTS Graduates

- Graduates of Asia-Pacific Nazarene Theological Seminary will receive 10% tuition discount upon enrolment.
- The scholarship will apply for one year and students will reapply each year.
- Students with GPA lower than 3.5 will not be eligible for scholarship.
- Students with two or more Incompletes will not be eligible for a scholarship.

F. Designated Scholarships

Some scholarships are given with the provision that the student do no work, and we honor the request of the donor.

SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT FORM

1. Full Name: _____

2. Permanent Address: _____

3. Date of Birth: _____

4. Gender: _____

5. Nationality: _____

6. Marital Status: _____

7. Number and ages of children: _____

8. Do you plan to live with your family in Manila during your studies? _____

9. Of which <u>denomination</u> are you a member? _____

10. Of which <u>local church</u> are you a member? _____

11. Describe your current ministry involvement. _____

12. What are your ministry plans following completion of the program?

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13. Estimate as accurately as possible your monthly budget in the following
 categories:

Housing and Utilities:	US$ _____ / month
Food and incidentals:	US$ _____ / month
Transportation:	US$ _____ / month
AGST Tuition:	US$ _____ /month
Books	US$ _____ / month
Other Expenses (please list):	
Family time/dining out	US$ _____ / month
My daughter's needs	US$ _____ / month
My son's needs	US$ _____ / month
Hosting visitors	US$ _____ / month
TOTAL:	US$_____ / month

14. Detail your sources of funds:

❑	Employment	US$_____ /month
❑	Spouse's Employment	US$ _____ /month
❑	Family/ relatives assistance	US$ _____ / month
❑	Sponsor's assistance	US$_____ / month

❑	Church/ Denomination scholarship	US$_____ / month
❑	Sponsoring Organization	US$_____ /month
❑	Others (Savings, etc.)	US$_____ / month
	TOTAL:	US$ _____ /month

15. Please list additional attempts you have made to find funding for your studies and living expenses.

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By my signature below, I affirm that all the information included in the application and accompanying documentation is accurate and truthful to the best of my knowledge. I affirm that the forms were completed by me. I consent that the application documentation may be read by the Scholarship Committee members. Furthermore, I agree with, and will comply with, the above stated conditions and stipulations.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Upon receipt of the scholarship, I acknowledge my obligations to APNTS:

1. That I will attend all classes and complete the required assignments in the module within the agreed timeframe.
2. That I will be an exemplary participant and abide by all conference and campus regulations.
3. That I will, upon completion of the module return to my home country and contribute to its well-being through what I've learnt.

In event, if the above obligations are not met, I agree to reimburse APNTS the amount stipulated in the scholarship within a period of 12 months.

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Signature of applicant   Date