Taylor's Postgraduate Research Scholarships Terms and Conditions

1. Scholarships listed are for 2027 intakes only.

2. Scholarships are applicable for studies conducted at Taylor's University in Malaysia only.

3. Meeting the eligibility criteria does not guarantee the award of a scholarship. Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis, with eligible applicants shortlisted based on their academic background, curriculum vitae (CV), and research experience and achievements. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an interview. Scholarship awards are subject to the selection panel's recommendation and final university approval.

4. The scholarship is a fee waiver; it is not exchangeable for cash, is non-transferable and non-refundable. Upon recipient successfully graduating (Taylor's Graduate Research Scholarship recipients), Taylor's University or any other institutions under Taylor's Education Group shall be the first choice of employment for two (2) years unless the Faculty waives this employment right (consent not to be unreasonably withheld).

5. The Research Support Allowance is provided to support approved research activities, including conferences and consumables. It is not automatically granted and requires the recipient to submit an application with supervisor endorsement and subsequent approval.

6. Taylor's scholarships generally do not cover fees such as the International Security Deposit, International Student Annual Fee, International Student Course Fees Surcharge, International Student Enrolment Fee, EMGS Visa Application Fee, International Student Charge Hospitalisation and Surgical Insurance Fee, EMGS Renewal Fee or any other Visa-related Fees except for Taylor's Graduate Research Scholarship, Taylor's Scholar Award and Taylor's Industry Nexus Scholarship recipients. Please refer to annexure B of your award letter for details on the fees covered.

7. Recipients are entitled to only one (1) type of scholarship/bursary/award/waiver/discount at any one time, including sponsorships from external institutions/bodies. Recipients must inform the Higher Degrees by Research Committee of any scholarships or sponsorships currently held or awarded at a later date. In the event that a scholarship recipient accepts any external scholarship or sponsorship, the disbursement of the scholarship awarded by Taylor's University will cease immediately. Should the recipient later choose to withdraw from or lose eligibility for the external scholarship/sponsorship for any reason, the original scholarship from Taylor's University will not be reinstated. Failure by the recipient to disclose any scholarship or sponsorship as required under this Clause shall constitute a breach of the scholarship terms and may result in the withdrawal and termination of the scholarship awarded by Taylor's University, without further liability on the part of Taylor's University. Any scholarship amounts disbursed to the recipient to which the recipient was not entitled as a result of such non-disclosure may be subject to recovery by Taylor's University.

8. Effective 1 July 2025, a 6% Service Tax will be imposed on non-Malaysian citizens, applicable to all fees and charges related to education services, except International Security Deposit and EMGS application fees. Fees shown in the Fee Schedule are exclusive of the 6% Service Tax. The Service Tax rate and taxable fee components are subject to change as determined by government regulations.

9. In accordance with prevailing Malaysian tax regulations, Service Tax (if applicable) shall be imposed on the amount of taxable fees and charges after the deduction of any scholarships, bursaries, awards, or discounts. All non-Malaysian citizens shall bear this tax liability in full. Recipients are advised to factor in the applicable Service Tax when calculating the net amount payable to Taylor's University.

10. If the recipient does not accept the scholarship offered by the stipulated date, it will automatically be withdrawn and no longer be deemed valid. No appeal is allowed.

11. The scholarship shall be revoked if any of the following occur:
    i. The recipient defers their semester or intake
    ii. The recipient falls under the Academic Probation (AP) category (e.g. fails a core or elective module, or is unable to achieve a Satisfactory status in their Progress Report)
    iii. Fails to progress according to the approved timeline for thesis proposal evaluation.

    Recipients who fall into Academic Probation for the first time will be granted a one-time opportunity to retain their scholarship if there are academic or other reasons that necessitated the delay. This opportunity is granted only once throughout the entire duration of their programme.

12. The scholarship offer is valid for the standard duration of the stipulated course and is non-transferable.

13. The scholarship does not cover repeat attempts of subjects and thesis examinations and the fees chargeable for any retake or repeat will be borne by the recipients.

14. Scholarship recipients understand and accept the responsibility of being an exemplary student at Taylor's University. Recipients must recognise that their behaviour and general conduct must, at all times, be above reproach, and comply with all existing rules, regulations, requirements and policies of Taylor's University. Recipients should not be involved, engaged in or participate in any politic, illegal or unlawful activity as a recipient of the scholarship whether within or outside the University premises.

15. All Taylor's Graduate Research Scholarship recipients are expected to participate in the assigned Professional Development Programme during their scholarship period and to contribute to the university's academic or research activities. Recipients are expected to contribute four (4) hours per week (Doctor of Philosophy recipients), or two (2) hours per week (Master's by Research recipients), of assigned professional development activities. These activities include training and other assigned academic or research activities that enhance their scholarly experience. Participation in professional development activities does not confer an employment relationship or teaching designation under Private Higher Education Institutions Act 1996.

16. Upon accepting this scholarship, the recipient is deemed to have accepted all terms and conditions stipulated. The recipient also agrees to indemnify and hold Taylor's harmless of and from any demands, claims, liabilities or actions of any kind whatsoever.

17. Scholarship recipients are not allowed to defer their semesters. If the recipient defers the semester, the scholarship shall be automatically terminated. However, should the recipient request a deferment due to any substantial reason backed by the supervisor or school, his/her scholarship may be retained, subject to the absolute discretion of the Higher Degrees by Research Committee.

18. All decisions by Taylor's University are final, and no further appeals shall be entertained.

19. Taylor's University reserves the right to involve the scholarship recipients in interviews, advertisement, photography or any other publicity-related or promotional activities. By accepting the scholarship, the recipient acknowledges and consents to such participation and to the use of their name, image and/or likeness for such purposes, without further compensation.

20. The recipient acknowledges and consents to comply with the regulations by Taylor's University covering the Programme in which the scholarship recipient is enrolled, including progression, reporting and examination.

21. All materials and works created (at any point), developed or authored by recipients in the course of activities undertaken under this award letter (the "Work Product"), and all copyright and other rights of any kind in the Work Product, shall be the exclusive property of Taylor's University.

22. Taylor's University may terminate the scholarship awarded at any time during the scholarship period by giving three (3) months' notice in writing to the recipient, without assigning any reasons therefore and thereupon all benefits to the recipient under this Contract absolutely determines and no actions shall be brought or maintained by one party against the other.

23. Scholarship recipients must produce the minimum number of accepted research outputs specific to their award, in any combination of:
    i. journal articles accepted for publication in Scopus indexed and/or Clarivate indexed journals;
    ii. policy papers formally accepted by a recognised policy making body; or
    iii. IP filings (patent, utility innovation, or registered copyright, as applicable to the discipline) accepted at the filing stage, evidenced by an official filing acknowledgement.

    The Scopus/Clarivate indexing condition applies to journal articles only.

    The research output requirement must be directly related to the student's thesis research topic or area, produced during the study period, with the student as main/first author (where more than one research output is required, the student must be main/first author on at least one), and must list Taylor's University, Malaysia as the first affiliation.

24. This sponsorship shall be acknowledged in all research outputs resulting from the Research using the following: "This work was supported by Taylor's University through its TAYLOR'S RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP Programme."

25. The parties hereby mutually agree that in the event the recipient wishes to retake the entire programme due to failure to obtain the requisite qualification on the first instance, the recipient may do so at the recipient's own expense. Taylor's University shall not be liable for any fees and/or other expenses that may be due and payable.

26. The terms and conditions of scholarships may be modified and amended from time to time as deemed appropriate by Taylor's University.

27. The recipient agrees to comply with all terms and conditions stipulated in the "Postgraduate (Research) Supplementary Handbook".

28. This Award letter together with its Annexure constitutes the entire agreement between the Parties concerning the subject.