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APPLICATION CHECKLIST FOR MSC BY COURSEWORK

Thank you for choosing to apply for graduate studies with the Department of Biological Sciences. This checklist prepares you for a smooth and successful application process.

Please ensure that you have all the listed documents with their correct file names ready for uploading before accessing the online <u>Graduate Admission System (GDA3)</u>. Files must be in PDF format for uploading.

Supporting Documents	Early Admission	Regular Cycle
1. Degree Scroll/Student Status Letter		
Graduated applicants should upload a colour scan of their official degree scroll.		
Graduating applicants will need to provide a Student Status Letter.		
 Applicants who have not yet graduated from their undergraduate studies at the point of application are to provide an official university letter with letterhead clearly stating their full name, enrolment status and candidature period (i.e., start and expected completion date). 		
Please note that the name indicated in the academic documents should match that of the official ID.		
2. Transcript of undergraduate degree		
 Applicants who have not yet graduated from their undergraduate studies at the point of application are to provide their most updated unofficial transcript. 	Transcript of undergraduate degree or at least five semesters' record for current Year 3 undergraduate student	
Transcript must clearly state the applicant particulars and current program the applicant is completing.		
Marks sheet are not acceptable.	_	_
Applicants whose native tongue and medium of university instruction is not completely in English should upload the official score sheet of TOEFL (≥85) or IELTS (≥ 6.0) as evidence of their proficiency in the English language. TOEFL/ IELTS scores are valid for 2 years from the test date and should not have expired at point of application. Expired scores will not be considered for the application.		

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4. Referee Reports		
 Recommendations from <u>academic</u> <u>referees</u> are to be submitted via the Graduate Admission System. Applicants should check with their referees and obtain their <u>institutional or organisational email address</u>. Email addresses from domains other than ".edu" may be subjected to additional screening and filtering. A system generated email will be sent to your nominated referee via the Graduate Admission System. The deadline for the submission of referee reports is 14 days from the point 	At least one referee report.	Both referee reports must be submitted.
of application. It is the applicant's responsibility to follow-up with the referees for the reports. If your referees are unable to meet the deadline, please inform us to seek alternative arrangements.		
5. Curriculum Vitae		
6. Documentary Proof of Financial Support	N/A	
All applicants of the <u>Regular Cycle</u> must submit documentary evidence of their ability to support their study.		
 International applicants must submit documentary evidence of their ability to support their study (i.e., bank statement of at least SGD45,000 or its equivalent). 		
 Applicants who are sponsored* by an individual (i.e., parents) or organisation will need to provide a letter from the sponsor with details of the sponsorship. 		
*Bank account holder provided is not the applicant.		
Applicants who are working in Singapore and are applying for admission to our <i>part-time</i> programme may upload a copy of their recent payslip.		
7. Official Identification (ID)		
Singapore Citizens or Singapore PR applicants • Colour scan of the Singapore NRIC (front and back)		
International applicants		
 Clear colour scan of the passport information page. 		
Please note that applicants holding an Employment/Dependent's Pass should submit a copy of the relevant pass and their passport information page		

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(e.g., personal statement, publications, internship documents, certificates, and other achievements)

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