

NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION
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**SINGAPORE NATIONAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION (NRF) FELLOWSHIP FOR
ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI)**

The Singapore National Research Foundation (NRF) is launching a NRF Fellowship for AI, to attract and recruit outstanding young researchers from around the world to lead impactful and independent AI research in Singapore.

The Fellowship offers:

- A five-year research grant of up to SGD 3 million, inclusive of general overheads.
- Freedom to lead ground-breaking research in host institution of choice in Singapore¹.

(A) Eligibility

- Outstanding researchers of any nationality, in their early stage of their research careers and are ready to take on their independent research, are eligible to apply.
- PhD holders with research experience in AI or AI-related fields.
- Applicant must not be holding an Assistant Professor or equivalent position² at a local research institutions for more than 1 year at the point of submission (i.e. defined by grant call closing date);
- Applicant must not be at the RSE 3 level and above for more than 1 year at the point of submission (for A*STAR applicants); and
- Applicant must not be a recipient of a similar early career award in Singapore.

¹ The award is contingent on the awardee taking on a full time appointment in an eligible host institution in Singapore.

² Equivalent position includes lecturers, research assistant professors and adjunct professors holding non-tenured position.

(B) Timeline

3 July 2018: NRF to launch call for the Singapore NRF Fellowship for AI.



19 December 2018: Deadline for applicant to submit application through the Integrated Grant Management System (IGMS) (<https://researchgrant.gov.sg>). Applicants are also expected to upload a **Letter of Support** by the Faculty Dean / Head of Department or equivalent from their host institution of choice. This Letter of Support describes the level of commitment the host institution would provide to the candidate, contingent on their successful award.

Applicants must also arrange to have at least **three** but no more than five letters of reference submitted to NRF on their behalf. These letters should be sent confidentially by your referees directly via email to the National Research Foundation, Singapore (NRF-SDE@nrf.gov.sg) (paper copies will not be accepted). The referral letters should include assessment on your leadership potential, ability to independently carry out impactful research, and personal attributes.

Application will be rejected if above documents are not submitted by 19 December 2018, 3.00pm (GMT +8).

Interested applicants may contact potential host institutions in Singapore. Further details are in Section C.



March 2019: Shortlisted candidates will be invited by NRF to Singapore for the final interview.

(C) Host institutions in Singapore

Interested applicant may contact the following host institutions in Singapore:

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National University of Singapore (NUS)	Prof Chen Tsuhan tsuhan@nus.edu.sg
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