SSEAC Visiting PhD Scholar Fund 2017 Guidelines

SSEAC offers subsidies to PhD students to travel to Australia to spend a period of their candidature at the University of Sydney. Applicants must identify an academic member of SSEAC to sponsor their visit. Additionally, they must provide a plan of their activities and what they hope to achieve during their time at the University of Sydney.

During their visit, the PhD students may be interviewed for a website profile, asked to present a seminar about their research and are expected to participate in the activities of the SSEAC postgraduate community. SSEAC is offering up to four Visiting PhD Scholar grants, worth up to $4,000 each.

For the purposes of the grant, Southeast Asia is defined as Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Vietnam.

Eligibility and Conditions
SSEAC Visiting PhD scholars must:
- Be enrolled at a university in a PhD program
- Have an academic member of SSEAC sponsor their visit
- Be doing research about Southeast Asia that fits within at least one of the five SSEAC research clusters (economic and social development, environment and resources, health, heritage and the arts, state and society)

Applications for retrospective visits will not be considered.

Criteria for Award
The following criteria will be taken into consideration by the SSEAC Grants Subcommittee when assessing the applications:
- Robustness of the plan of the visit
- Compatibility of their research program to the research interests of their sponsoring faculty

Budget and Timeframe
Up to $4,000 can be requested for travel costs. Please provide indicative quotations for flights with your application. Per diems will need to be calculated using the University of Sydney rates. The following items cannot be funded by the SSEAC Grant:
- Equipment
- Conferences

The SSEAC Grants Subcommittee reserves the right to specify how awards may be used. Funds will be accessible by December 2017 and must be spent by June 2019.

All grant recipients will be required to submit a final report by June 2019.

Submission and Deadlines
Applications should be submitted electronically to sseac@sydney.edu.au by 5pm Friday 22 September, 2017. We do not require paper copies of applications. Late submissions will not be considered.