

The Ngee Ann Kongsi Scholarship Background Information

About the UAL Degree Programmes

In collaboration with University of the Arts London (UAL), Nanyang Academy of Fine Arts (NAFA) announced three new art and design degrees in Singapore on 7 Jan 2021 – the *Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Fine Art*, *Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Design Practice* and *Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Performance Making*. These new degrees developed in close consultation with the industry are reflective of the progressive arts education landscape in Singapore, with NAFA keeping abreast of industry demands. This collaboration marks the first time that UAL, ranked 2nd in the world for art and design in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2020 and global leader at undergraduate level, is validating degrees outside of the UK. Under UAL's umbrella of six Colleges, NAFA will be working with Camberwell College of Arts, Chelsea College of Arts and Wimbledon College of Arts.

The degrees are distinctive in the region as they require students to explore across their specialisms so they may develop as versatile artists and designers. Fine Art undergraduates will have the option to delve into 2D, 3D and 4D mediums; Design Practice students will undertake project work with classmates from different specialisations; and Performance Making students will work across dance and theatre practices in their studies. In addition, industry experience will be a mandatory part of the curriculum, as students are required to complete internships, industry attachments or industry projects. This prepares the undergraduates for an ever-changing arts landscape, ensuring they have a multidisciplinary perspective and are well-equipped to handle the evolving demands of the arts and design landscape as well as the wider economy.

Undergraduates can also spend five or seven weeks on an international placement at the UAL campus and study with the university's renowned academics and practitioners (arrangements pending the COVID-19 situation). There will also be exchange opportunities in place for development and growth of staff and faculty from both institutions. The two-year top-up degrees will allow NAFA students to build upon their education after completing relevant diplomas. A three-year pathway is also

available for students with A-level or equivalent qualifications, and diploma students without prior relevant qualifications.

For AY21/22, a total of 186 students are enrolled for the UAL-validated degree programmes.

Scholarship Provision for Students

a. 2-Year Pathway (valued at \$600,000)

Six Scholarships will be awarded for each intake of students, for a total of five intakes from AY2021/2022 to AY2025/2026. Each Scholarship is valued at \$10,000 per AY and an award recipient will receive a total of \$20,000 over two AYs if the award is successfully renewed at Year 2.

| Year of Intake | 2-Year Pathway Value of Awards in Each Academic Year | | | | | | Total Value |
|------------------|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------------|
| | AY21/22 | AY22/23 | AY23/24 | AY24/25 | AY25/26 | AY26/27 | |
| AY21/22 | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | | | | | |
| AY22/23 | | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | | | | |
| AY23/24 | | | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | | | |
| AY24/25 | | | | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | | |
| AY25/26 | | | | | \$60,000 | \$60,000 | |
| Sub-Total | \$60,000 | \$120,000 | \$120,000 | \$120,000 | \$120,000 | \$60,000 | \$600,000 |

b. 3-Year Pathway (valued at \$600,000)

Four Scholarships will be awarded for each intake of students, for a total of five intakes from AY2021/2022 to AY2025/2026. Each Scholarship will be valued at \$10,000 per AY and an award recipient will receive a total of \$30,000 over three AYs if the award is successfully renewed at Year 2 and 3.

| Year of Intake | 3-Year Pathway Value of Awards in Each Academic Year | | | | | | | Total Value |
|----------------|---|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
| | AY21/22 | AY22/23 | AY23/24 | AY24/25 | AY25/26 | AY26/27 | AY27/28 | |
| AY21/22 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | | | | | |

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| AY22/23 | | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | | | | |
| AY23/24 | | | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | | | |
| AY24/25 | | | | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | | |
| AY25/26 | | | | | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | \$40,000 | |
| Sub-Total | \$40,000 | \$80,000 | \$120,000 | \$120,000 | \$120,000 | \$80,000 | \$40,000 | \$600,000 |

Past Donations from Kongsi to NAFA

- In 2009, NAK donated \$1.2 million to NAFA to set up The Ngee Ann Kongsi Scholarship and The Ngee Ann Kongsi Merit Awards which benefitted a total of 271 deserving students.
- In 2015, NAFA received a record donation of \$10 million from NAK. \$9.4m went towards the NAFA Development Fund to support the cost of building a new NAFA Campus above the Bencoolen MRT Station. \$0.6m went towards The Ngee Ann Kongsi Talent Scholarships, which are given out to deserving full-time diploma students over a period of 16 years.
- In 2020, NAK donated \$96,600 to set up *The Ngee Ann Kongsi Emergency Relief Fund* for COVID-19. The Relief Fund was utilised to help students-in-need to cover their essentials during the pandemic which has benefitted 143 students thus far.