

**The University has not engaged any external agencies to undertake graduate student recruitment on its behalf. Candidates interested in our graduate programmes are advised to apply directly to the University and not through any agents. Candidates who apply through agents will not have any added advantage in gaining admission and the University reserves the right to reject such applications without giving reasons.**

If you have any queries, please contact us at [GDR\\_SPH@nus.edu.sg](mailto:GDR_SPH@nus.edu.sg)

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

- Applications must be made online, via the [NUS Graduate Admission System](#)
- Applications must be completed in English. Non-English supporting documents must be accompanied by a notarized English translation.
- The originals of submitted documents must be furnished for verification at student registration.
- All documents submitted as part of your application **will not be returned**.
- You may apply to more than one programme across different Faculties or Schools at NUS. Each application must be submitted **separately** and include its own set of **supporting documents** and **application fee**.
- Application for the August 2027 intake will close on **1 November 2026**. All supporting documents including academic transcripts and referee reports must reach our School by 15 November 2026. Applications that remain incomplete after 15 November 2026 **will not be processed**.

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

### 1. Identify a proposed thesis advisor

All applicants must identify and confirm a proposed thesis advisor before submitting their application.

You are required to contact your proposed thesis advisor in advance to discuss your research interests and jointly develop a research proposal for your MSc or PhD thesis. Please refer to our website for the [list of SSHSPH faculty members](#) and their research areas.

Please note that applications submitted without a confirmed thesis advisor will not be considered.

### 2. Create an applicant account ([instructions](#))

### 3. Add an application ([instructions](#))

### 4. Complete the online application and submit supporting documents ([instructions](#))

#### a. Supporting documents that can be uploaded to GDA3

Please upload scanned copies of the following documents to the corresponding sections in GDA3:

Section in GDA3	Document to upload
Academic Qualifications	Certificates for the qualifications stated in the application (with English translation if applicable)

Section in GDA3	Document to upload
	NUS official transcript For .opencert files, do not upload them to the portal. Please email them to <a href="mailto:GDR_SPH@nus.edu.sg">GDR_SPH@nus.edu.sg</a> <i>For transcripts of non-NUS qualifications, please see <a href="#">point 4b</a>.</i>
	Polytechnic Transcript <i>For applicants who graduated from one of the polytechnics in Singapore</i>
Test Scores	TOEFL/IELTS Scoresheet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicable for all international applicants <b>EXCEPT</b> those whose undergraduate or graduate degrees are from Singapore autonomous universities or from English-medium institutions in Australia, Canada, Ireland, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States</li> <li>TOEFL/IELTS scores are valid for 2 years from the test date. Applicants must take the TOEFL/IELTS test <b>by 15 November 2026</b>.</li> </ul>
Publications/ Awards/ Professional Certifications/ Etc	Certificates of awards and prizes (if applicable)
	Publications (if applicable)
	Conference papers/abstracts (if applicable)
Supporting Documents	Statement of Purpose detailing your research interests, career aspirations, and motivations for choosing the programme of study.
	Research Proposal written according to the <a href="#">prescribed template</a> .
	Curriculum Vitae/Resume highlighting academic accomplishments and pertinent experience.
	NRIC (both front and back) <i>For both Singaporeans and Singapore PRs</i>
	Passport (personal particulars page) <i>For foreigners</i>
	Employment Pass (if applicable)
	Passport photograph (at least 300 dpi)

#### b. Official Transcripts for non-NUS qualifications:

An official transcript of academic records is required from each university you have attended or are attending. The transcript **MUST BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY** to the Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health by your university Registrar. You may provide your university with the “[TRANSCRIPT REQUEST FORM](#)” when making the request.

#### I. Qualifications from US universities:

Transcripts from universities in the United States (US) must be submitted to the application system via Parchment. Please refer to [this guide](#) for the procedure.

#### II. Qualifications from all other universities:

Your university may submit the transcript via one of the following methods:

- i. Electronic transcript sent directly to [GDR\\_SPH@nus.edu.sg](mailto:GDR_SPH@nus.edu.sg) from your university’s official transcript repository system (e.g. my eEquals)
- ii. PDF transcript sent to [GDR\\_SPH@nus.edu.sg](mailto:GDR_SPH@nus.edu.sg) by an authorized personnel from your university’s academic records office. Do note that:

- a. The sender's email address must be listed on your university's official website as the contact email for the academic records office.
- b. The sender must provide the URL of the webpage where this email address is published.
- c. Transcripts sent from unverifiable email addresses **will be rejected**.

For qualifications awarded by NTU, SMU, SIT and SUTD, please email the .opencert file to [GDR\\_SPH@nus.edu.sg](mailto:GDR_SPH@nus.edu.sg)

We also accept the following:

- [World Education Service \(WES\)](#) evaluation reports that are sent directly to our school from WES.
- [CSSD-verified transcripts](#) that are sent directly to our school from CSSD (*for Chinese applicants*).

If the transcripts are not in English, they must be accompanied by notarized English translations. All transcripts must reach our school by **15 November 2026**.

**c. GRE General Test** (*optional but strongly encouraged*)

- While the GRE® General Test is not mandatory, all applicants are strongly encouraged to submit valid GRE scores. Evidence of strong quantitative, verbal, and analytical skills through GRE scores, as well as indicators of research skills and experience will significantly strengthen your application.
- If you intend to submit GRE test scores, you must take the test no later than **15 November 2026**.
- Please request the testing organization to send your scoresheet directly to the Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health:
  - University Code: 0677
  - Department Code: 0616
- GRE scores are valid for 5 years from the test date.

**5. Referee Reports** ([instructions](#))

Recommendations from 2 academic referees must be submitted online. Please note that **Academic Referees must be University faculty who have taught you and/or supervised you in research, and are able to comment on your academic ability in comparison with your peers in University.**

You are required to enter your referees' contact details\* in the Graduate Admission System. Please see [here](#) for the instructions.

**\*IMPORTANT: Please enter the institutional email addresses of your referees. Referee reports submitted by referees using their personal email accounts (e.g. gmail, hotmail, yahoo mail etc) will be rejected, and the application will be deemed incomplete.**

**6. Submit the online application** ([instructions](#))

**7. Complete the supplemental application form** ([instructions](#))

**8. Application Fee – Online Payment** ([instructions](#))

All applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable application fee of Singapore SGD50.00. **Please note that an application without the application fee payment will not be processed.**

## STEP 1: CREATE AN APPLICANT ACCOUNT

1. Go to the [NUS Graduate Admission System](#) and click “Register”

### Graduate Admission System (GDA3)

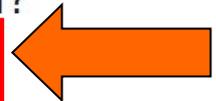


Have a GradApp Account?

Log in

Not Registered?

Register



2. Enter your details and click “continue”

### Graduate Admission System (GDA3)

#### Register

To register for an account, please enter the information requested below.

- 1) Please register **one** account for **each** email address. Please do **not** link one email address to multiple accounts.
- 2) Your email address will serve as your Login ID.
- 3) If you have already registered, please return to the previous screen and "Log In" with your Email Address (i.e. your Login ID).

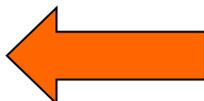
Email Address

First Name

Last Name

Birthdate

Continue



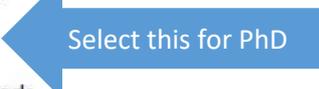
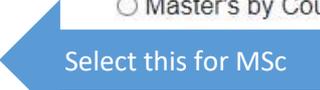


## STEP 2: ADD AN APPLICATION

- Next, you will come to the following page. Select the appropriate options and click “View Programmes”.

### Search for Programme

#### Which degree type would you like to apply for?

- Doctor by Coursework       Doctor of Engineering  
 Doctor of Pharmacy       Doctor of Philosophy  Select this for PhD  
 Graduate Diploma       Master's by Coursework  
 Master's by Research  Select this for MSc

#### Please select your preferred commitment

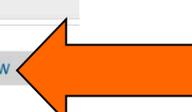
- Full-Time  
 Part-Time

#### When would you like to enroll?

- January 2025  
 May 2025 Special Term  
 June 2025 Special Term  
 August 2025

[View Programmes](#) 

- Select the correct programme and click “Apply Now”.

Programme	Faculty	Department	Application Open Date	Application Close Date	Action
Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health	Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health	Dean's Office (SSH School of Public Health)	01 May 2024	15 Nov 2024	<a href="#">Apply Now</a> 

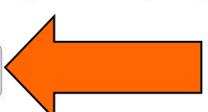
- Check the details and click “Confirm Programme Details”

### Begin Your Application

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 Not Testing Testing? [Click here.](#)

**Programme** Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health  
**Degree Type** Doctor of Philosophy  
**Enrolling In** August 2025  
**Preferred Commitment** Full-Time

The application fee for this programme is (SGD): \$50.00

[Confirm Programme Details](#) 

## STEP 2: ADDING AN APPLICATION

### 4. Click on the application ID to start completing the form.

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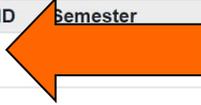
You have successfully kick-started your application for the programme!  
To enter your application form, please select the programme name below.

Here's a tip – please visit the Faculty/ School's website for comprehensive instructions and requirements specific to your chosen programme throughout the application process.

[Add New Programme](#)

#### Your Applications

Application ID	Semester	Programme	Started Date	Submitted Date	Status
R-100072427		Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health	21 Apr 2024		Pending Submission



## STEP 3: COMPLETING THE ONLINE APPLICATION

- Next, complete the sections listed in the left column and upload the corresponding supporting documents.

See [here](#) for the required supporting documents.

In the section on “Current & Past NUS Application(s)”, you may propose **only one main advisor**. Please leave the “Second Preference Advisor” field blank unless you are proposing a co-advisor in addition to your main advisor.

The “Second Preference Advisor” field should **not** be used to list an alternative or backup advisor. If you are proposing a co-advisor, both the main advisor and co-advisor should be aware of and agree to this arrangement in advance.

### Graduate Admission System (GDA3)

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Home	<h2>Current and Past NUS Applications</h2> <p>You are applying to the Full-Time <b>Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health</b> programme for August 2025.</p> <p><b>Current Application: Research Interests</b></p> <p>You can propose a Thesis Advisor who closely aligns with your research interest.</p> <p>Please explore and identify the possible Advisors in your fields of interest here.</p> <p>Alternatively, you can select your proposed Thesis Advisor from this list: View Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health Thesis Advisors</p> <p>Please enter the name of your proposed Advisor(s) in the fields below.</p> <p>First Preference Advisor <input type="text"/></p> <p>Second Preference Advisor <input type="text"/></p> <p>Have you made contact with your proposed advisor(s)? *  <input type="radio"/> Yes  <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Proposed Thesis Title/ Area of Research <input type="text"/></p>
Personal Particulars	
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Test Scores	
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Employment History & Other Experiences	
<b>Current &amp; Past NUS Application(s)</b>	
Application to Other Institutions	
Source of Finance	
Referees	
Supporting Documents	
Health Information	
Declarations	
Review Before Submission	

Enter your proposed thesis advisor in “First Preference Advisor”.

If you have a proposed co-advisor, you may enter his/her name in “Second Preference Advisor”

## STEP 4: REFEREE REPORTS

### ENTERING YOUR REFEREE DETAILS

1. Go to “Referees” and click on “Add Referee for Referee Report”.

**Graduate Admission System (GDA3)**
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<a href="#">Home</a> <a href="#">Personal Particulars</a> <a href="#">Academic Qualifications</a> <a href="#">Test Scores</a> <a href="#">Publications/ Awards/ Certifications/ Etc</a> <a href="#">Employment History &amp; Other Experiences</a> <a href="#">Current &amp; Past NUS Application(s)</a> <a href="#">Application to Other Institutions</a> <a href="#">Source of Finance</a> <b><a href="#">Referees</a></b>	<h3 style="margin: 0;">Referees</h3> <p style="font-size: small; margin: 5px 0;">This programme requires a minimum of two (2) referee reports. Please "Add Referee" below to enter information of your referees. Your referees will receive an email with instructions on completing the Referee Report form and/or uploading the reference letter. *</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: left;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 25%;">Name</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Organisation</th> <th style="width: 25%;">Relationship</th> <th style="width: 15%;">Status</th> <th style="width: 10%;">Status Date</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td colspan="5" style="text-align: center;"> <a href="#">Add Referee for Referee Report</a> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p style="margin-top: 10px; text-align: center;"> <input type="button" value="Continue"/> </p>	Name	Organisation	Relationship	Status	Status Date	<a href="#">Add Referee for Referee Report</a>				
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2. Enter your referee’s details and click “Send to Recommender”.

**Referee Information**

Title \*

Family (Last) Name \*

Given (First) Name \*

Designation \*

Organisation \*

What is your relationship with this Referee?  
 Relationship \*

How long have you known this Referee?  
 Years Known \*

**Contact Information**

Email Address \*

Contact Number \*

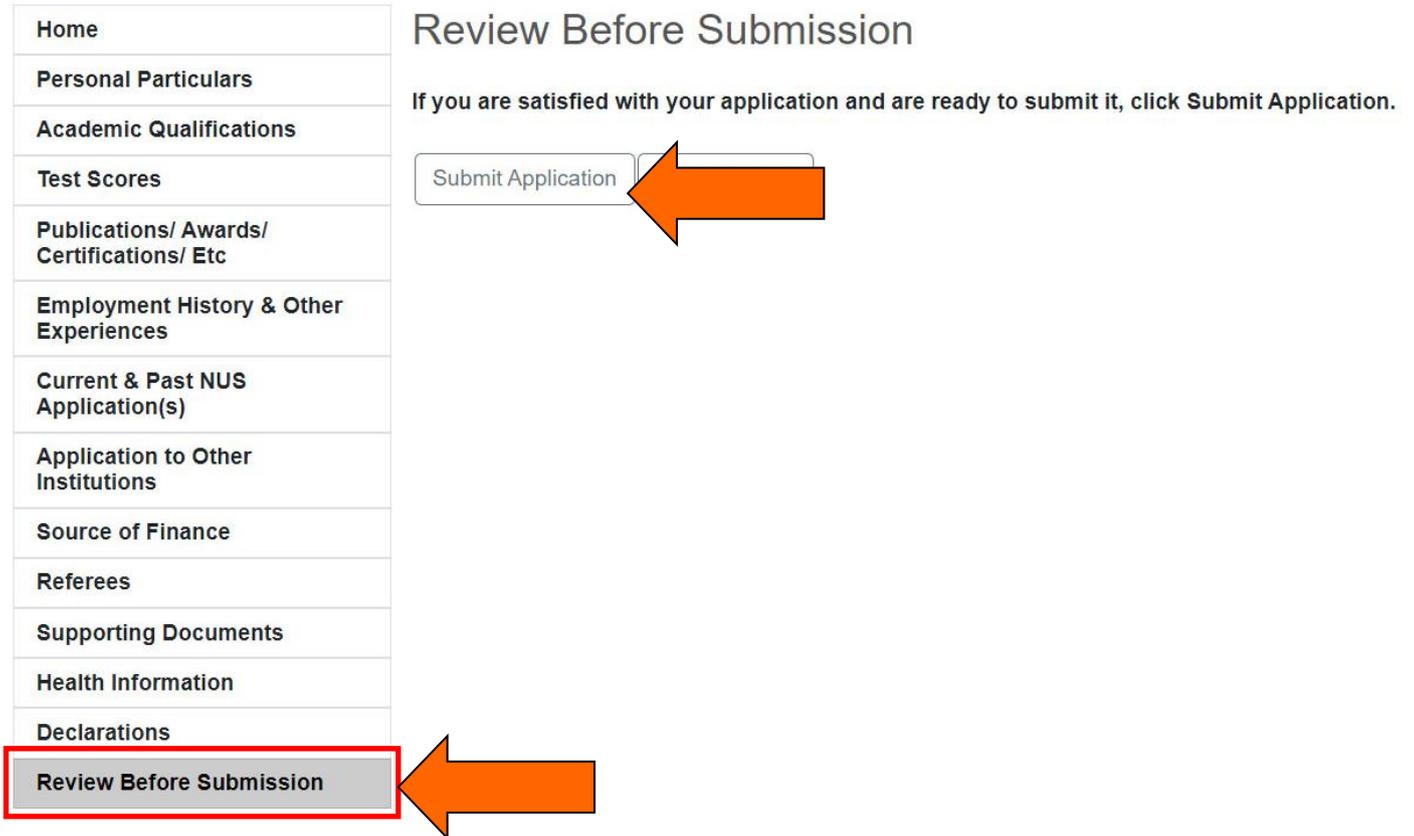
Please enter your referee’s institutional email address. Personal email addresses (e.g. gmail, hotmail, yahoo mail etc) are not acceptable.

**STEP 5: SUBMIT THE ONLINE APPLICATION**

1. Go to “Review Before Submission”, check that all the applicable sections have been completed, and click “Submit Application”.

**Graduate Admission System (GDA3)**

Home	<h2>Review Before Submission</h2> <p>If you are satisfied with your application and are ready to submit it, click <b>Submit Application</b>.</p> <p><input type="button" value="Submit Application"/></p>
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## STEP 6: COMPLETE THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICATION FORM

1. After submitting your application, you will be directed to this page which shows the list of outstanding documents for your application. Please scroll down and click on “School of Public Health Supplemental Application”

### Graduate Admission System (GDA3)

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#### Greetings, Testing!

Thank you for applying to Doctor of Philosophy in Public Health. This is where you can view this particular programme's application status, required materials that you have not submitted, eg supporting document(s), payment(s) due, etc. If you do contact us on this particular application, please specify [redacted] in your email.

To apply to another programme, please access the Programme Search Portal.

#### Application Checklist

Please note that it may take 30 - 60 minutes for the status of checklist items to be updated.

Status	Details	Date
✘ Awaiting	GRE Scores	
✘ Awaiting	Degree Scroll / Certificate for National University of Singapore (NUS)	
✘ Awaiting	Transcript for National University of Singapore (NUS)	
✔ Received	NRIC Documentation	06/02/2024
✔ Received	Passport-Sized Photo	06/02/2024
✔ Received	Personal CV	06/02/2024
✘ Awaiting	Proof of Payment of Application Fee	
✔ Received	Research Proposal	06/02/2024
✘ Awaiting	TOEFL or IELTS Scores	
✘ Awaiting	Recommendation from Chunxuan Yong, NUS Sent to recommender on 04/21/2024.	
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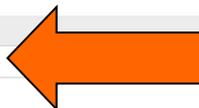
Return to main page by selecting another submitted application from the dropdown list.

[Change Email Address](#)  
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[Logout](#)

To re-send notification emails to your recommenders, re-visit the recommendations page, click "Edit", and then click "Send Reminder".

#### Supplementary Materials Checklist

Status	Details	Date
✘ Awaiting	School of Public Health Supplemental Application	



2. Answer all questions and click “Submit”

## STEP 7: ONLINE PAYMENT OF APPLICATION FEE

- Next, scroll down further and click on “Application Fee – Submit payment for 50.00 SGD”. Follow the onscreen instructions to make the payment.

**Please note that an application without the application fee payment will not be processed.**

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### Supplementary Materials Checklist

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### Optional Materials Checklist

Status	Details	Date
✓ Received	Documentary Evidence of Financial Support	06/02/2024
✓ Received	Personal Statement	06/02/2024
✓ Received	Writing Sample	06/02/2024

### Payment Due: 50.00 SGD

✗ Awaiting	Application Fee - Submit Payment for 50.00 SGD	
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