

DIKTI PhD Scholarship 2014 – special channel for the Netherlands

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In September 2011 the Directorate General for Higher Education in Indonesia (DIKTI) signed an agreement with Nuffic Neso Indonesia in which budget has been made available for a special ‘Dutch channel’ as part of the existing DIKTI PhD scholarship programme. This programme allocates up to 50 PhD scholarships per year. For the year 2014 some changes have been announced for the Dutch channel. In the old situation DIKTI fully funded the first three years of the PhD studies and the Dutch university would have to guarantee similar coverage of cost of the fourth year of study, such as fees and allowances.

New scheme

From 2014 onwards, for new applicants, DIKTI will fund the full four years of PhD studies in principle. The first three years are guaranteed from the start and the fourth years is granted on request from the PhD candidate provided there has been sufficient progress. The Dutch university is asked to provide pre-PhD training in English, academic writing, research techniques for a period of 12 weeks prior to the programme, if deemed necessary by the Dutch university. For that period the Dutch university would have to provide similar coverage of cost and allowances as the DIKTI scholarship does. Furthermore, the Dutch university will be asked to cover the cost for a possible extension after four years. This would be a maximum of 6 months for students who have received pre-PhD training and one year for students who did not attend such training.

Scholarship coverage

- Tuition fee (payable to the Dutch HEI)
- Living allowance: €1 100/month
- Insurance: €400 per semester
- Book allowance: €250 per semester

The allowances are payable directly to the PhD student while the annual tuition fee is payable by DIKTI to the Dutch university. The tuition fee will be a maximum €10,000/year for the first three years of study.

How does it work?

To qualify for the Dutch channel the Indonesian PhD candidate has to be nominated by a professor of a Dutch university on the basis of an approved research proposal. All subject areas are accepted. Furthermore, the Dutch university has to guarantee similar coverage of cost of pre-PhD training and/or the extension. The scheme only applies for full-time lecturers employed at Indonesian state and private universities.

Requirements for applicants

1. Applicants should be current lecturers of an Indonesian state or private university; or a candidate lecturer of a cooperation programme of DIKTI, or education staff under the authority of Ministry of Education and Culture. Lecturers from Islamic universities under the authority of the ministry of Religious Affairs are not eligible;
2. Applicants should have a valid unconditional Letter of Acceptance from Dutch University, including the amount of annual tuition fee at cost of maximum of €10,000 euro/year;
3. Applicants should hold a master degree;
4. Applicants should have a minimum proficiency in English with an IELTS score of at least 6.0 or IBT TOEFL 80 or ITP TOEFL 500, subject to the required English proficiency by the Dutch University this could be higher.
5. Applicants should have an approved research proposal by the Dutch professor and its publication plan in reputed international journal;
6. Applicants should not be more than 50 years old (for lecturers) and 44 years old for education staff, by the time of registration
7. Applicants who are couples (husband and wife) and are working in the same scientific field are not allowed to apply to the same university and / or to be supervised by the same promotor/advisor
8. Education staff can only apply the following strategic study programme: foreign languages, information technologies, international relationship and communication studies, accountancy, library studies, government laws, and higher education management.

Application procedure

1. The candidate submits the summary of the research proposal and publication plan to the contact person of the Dutch University or the supervisor including a request for additional scholarship outside the coverage of DIKTI scholarship.
2. If the professor agrees with the research, more requirements will be submitted from the PhD candidates to Dutch University, i.e.: transcript and diploma, proof of English proficiency, recommendation letter from the employer.
3. If the application meets the requirements, the Dutch University provides a Letter of Acceptance (LoA) which includes the additional financial coverage of pre-PhD training in English, academic writing, research techniques purposes prior to the programme and half year of extension after the completion of the DIKTI scholarship.
4. In case the pre-PhD training is deemed not to be necessary the LoA should contain a guarantee for financial coverage by the Dutch university of a maximum of one year extension.
5. The candidate registers his/her application through website <http://beasiswa.dikti.go.id/bln/index.php/registrasi> and attaches the documents with maximum of 1 MB size, consisted of:
 - a. LoA
 - b. English proficiency
 - c. Form A
 - d. Summary of research proposal and its plan of publication
 - e. Transcript and diploma

6. DIKTI will publish the result of administration selection for interview session once a month in their website. The candidates are required to check the website regularly.
7. The interview will cover:
 - a. Academic aspect
 - b. Language aspect
 - c. Financial aspect
 - d. Social and family support aspect
8. The candidate who passes the interview result will be invited to prepare the departure, including the signing of the contract, processing passport and visa.

'Linking Knowledge Worldwide' is Nuffic's motto. In a very few words, it says what Nuffic stands for and what can and should be expected of it. Nuffic strives to bring people and knowledge together. And to bring together results in significant added value. With the motto 'Linking knowledge worldwide' in a way is part of the national character. But the most prominent word in the motto is 'worldwide'. To have chosen this word is perhaps typically Dutch. The small country at the mouth of the Rhine has always been an emporium-a centre of trade not just in goods, but more significantly, in ideas. 'Linking knowledge worldwide' is etched in extra sharp relief when applied to an organization like Nuffic, the Netherlands Organization for International Cooperation in Higher Education.

Eligible Dutch universities

1. Leiden University
2. Delft University of Technology
3. Eindhoven University of Technology
4. Erasmus University Rotterdam
5. Maastricht School of Management
6. Maastricht University
7. Radboud University Nijmegen
8. UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education
9. University of Amsterdam
10. University of Groningen
11. University of Twente
12. Utrecht University
13. VU University Amsterdam
14. Wageningen University
15. Tilburg University

More information

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