

**Offer of Scholarships by the *Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago***  
under the Production Sharing Contracts  
**For Study Commencing Academic Year 2024**

The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago invites **ONLINE** applications from citizens of Trinidad and Tobago for scholarships being offered under the Production Sharing Contracts for the academic year commencing September 2024.

**A. Characteristics of the Scholarship**

<b>Purpose of Scholarship</b>	This scholarship is aimed at providing critical human resources to fill specific needs in the Petroleum and Natural Gas Sectors.		
<b>Number of Scholarships Available</b>	Ten (10) Scholarships at the Undergraduate and/or Postgraduate level as indicated.		
<b>Areas of Study to be awarded</b>	The following areas are being offered as priority by the Government of Trinidad and Tobago		
	<b>FIELD OF STUDY</b>	<b>UNDERGRADUATE</b>	<b>POSTGRADUATE</b>
	Petroleum Law		√
	Engineering in Mining, Geological and Geophysical Engineering	√	√
	Asset Integrity Management/ Infrastructure Planning and Management/ Critical Infrastructure Systems		√
	Economics, Mathematical/Economic Modelling	√	√
	Oil, Gas and Energy Policy		√
	Geology/Geophysics/Geoscience		√
	Renewable Energy Technology		√
	Petroleum Economics and Management		√
	Environmental Studies		√
	Strategic Procurement Management/ Procurement and Contract Management	√	√

<b>Who Can Apply</b>	Citizens of Trinidad and Tobago.
<b>Tenability</b>	<p>These scholarships are tenable at any accredited local or international academic institution. Scholarships will <b>not</b> be offered for study abroad if the programme of study is available locally.</p> <p>The scholarship is renewed annually subject to satisfactory performance as evidenced by the requirements of the institution for the student to be in good academic standing.</p> <p><b>The course of study must be accredited and the institution of study must be recognized by the Accreditation Council of Trinidad and Tobago (ACTT).</b></p>
<b>Application Process</b>	Go to the scholarships website at <a href="http://www.scholarships.moe.gov.tt">www.scholarships.moe.gov.tt</a> and complete the prescribed application form and attach all the required documents.
<b>Deadline date for submission</b>	<b>June 28, 2024 @ 4 pm</b>
<b>Response to Application</b>	The range of response time is between 60 to 90 days from the closing date of the scholarship.
<b>General Conditions of the Scholarship</b>	<p>Applicants are advised of the following general conditions of the scholarship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Ministry responsible for the administration of this scholarship (hereafter referred to as “the Ministry”) reserves the right to publish the names of candidates selected for scholarships. By applying for a scholarship, the candidate gives consent for such publication in the event that his/her application is successful.</li> <li>• Scholars will be given formal notification of the award, requesting that they indicate their acceptance of the award.</li> <li>• Formal confirmation of the award will be issued when all conditions have been met.</li> <li>• Scholars will be expected to take up the award from the date stated by the Ministry in its notification of the award.</li> <li>• Apart from study related travel, Scholars will be expected to reside in the approved country of study throughout their programme of study. For any proposed visits outside the country of study, Scholars must seek prior approval from the Ministry, except for visits to Trinidad and Tobago. Expenses for any such travel are not included in this award.</li> <li>• As a general principle, Scholars pursuing these programmes shall not undertake paid employment during their awards without prior written consent from the Ministry.</li> <li>• This award will be used to fund the programme of study for the specified period.</li> <li>• Scholars must not change their programme of study during the tenure of the scholarship except with written consent from the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and/or the sponsor agency.</li> <li>• Scholars must maintain satisfactory progress and good standing as stipulated by the academic institution, or the award will be withdrawn and the Scholar liable to repay the Ministry for the funds expended at the date of withdrawal.</li> <li>• Scholars must follow the approved programme of study and abide by the rules, regulations and codes of conduct of the academic institution. Suspension from the academic institution can lead to termination of the scholarship. Allowances are not</li> </ul>

	<p>payable during the period of suspension as outlined in the Policy governing Scholarship awards.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Ministry will only consider requests to extend the scholarship in instances where it is absolutely necessary. Strict conditions apply as outlined in the Policy governing Scholarship awards.</li> <li>• The Ministry will not provide any letter of non-objection to work in a foreign country on the completion of the programme of study.</li> <li>• All terms and conditions of the award will be subject to the laws and practices of the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.</li> <li>• Scholars will be required to adhere to the laws and practices in the foreign jurisdiction where they reside, where applicable.</li> <li>• All regulations concerning immigration and visas are set by the Government of the relevant country of study and are outside of control of the Ministry.</li> </ul>
<b>Requirements upon successful completion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In accordance with the Scholarship Agreement, Scholars: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) on international programmes will be required to return to Trinidad and Tobago and report in person to the Ministry within one (1) month of completion of the requirements for the award of the degree;</li> <li>ii) on local programmes will be required to report to the Ministry within fourteen (14) days of completion of the requirements for the award of the degree.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Scholarship Procedure</b>	<p>Applicants will be notified when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet approves the recommendations of the Ministry;</li> </ul> <p>The scholarship will be governed by a legally binding Scholarship Agreement. This duly executed Agreement along with other policies and procedures shall be the binding authority between the Scholar and the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago. Applicants are advised to visit <a href="http://www.scholarships.moe.gov.tt">www.scholarships.moe.gov.tt</a> to review additional information.</p>
<b>Role of the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago</b>	<p>The Government is responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Disseminating information on the awards;</li> <li>•Ensuring that applications at all stages of the process are completed according to requirements;</li> <li>•Ensuring that only eligible applicants are shortlisted;</li> <li>•Selecting only the most suitable applicants;</li> <li>•Assisting successful candidates in their preparations for taking up the awards; and</li> <li>•Monitoring the candidate’s adherence to the conditions as stipulated in the Scholarship Agreement.</li> </ul>

## B. Funding

### (a) The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago will pay for or provide:

- Tuition and compulsory fees (as indicated by the academic institution)
- Personal Allowance
- Salary Allowance (applicable to **Permanently Appointed Public Officers Only**)
- Annual Book Allowance
- Special Equipment Allowance
- Round trip economy-class air travel (where applicable)

- Warm Clothing Allowance and Replacement Warm Clothing Allowance (where applicable)
- Incidental Travel Allowance (where applicable)
- Mobilization Allowance (where applicable)
- Overnight Allowance (where applicable)

**(b) Funding will be provided for the duration as follows:**

Under-graduate degrees	3 years Maximum of four (4) years only where required by the academic institution.
Master's (Taught)	12 months
Master's (Research)	2 years
Master's of Philosophy	3 years (maximum)
Doctorate	4 years (maximum)

**N.B Applicants will not be considered if their programme of study has less than a 12 month duration.**

### C. Eligibility

- (i) Be a citizen of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and must not be a permanent resident of any other country.
- (ii) Be between the ages of 18 – 55 years.

	AREA OF STUDY	UNDERGRADUATE	MASTERS	PhD
1.	<b>Petroleum Law</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A degree in a related discipline ie. (Law, Economics, Geoscience, Finance, Petroleum/Mining Engineering) with at least Lower Second Class Honours or with a GPA of 2.00 or above <b>in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></li> <li>• At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Master's degree in a related discipline</li> <li>• At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
2.	<b>Mining, Geological and Geophysical Engineering</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Five (5) CSEC subjects with Grades I,II,III or GCE (Ordinary Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C, which must include English Language and Mathematics or equivalent; <b>with</b> Two (2) CAPE subjects (Units I&amp;II) with Grades I,II,III in the Natural Sciences Subject Groupings or Geography); <b>And</b> Caribbean Studies and Communication Studies with Grades I,II,III; <b>Or</b> Two (2) GCE (Advanced Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C in the Natural Sciences Subject Groupings or Geography); <b>And</b> General Paper with Grades A, B,C;</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in (Geology, Petroleum Geoscience, Geographic Information Systems (GIS, Civil Engineering), Petroleum/Mining Engineering or with a GPA of 2.00 or above <b>in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent.</b></li> <li>• At least (3) years related work experience.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Master's degree in (Geology, Petroleum Geoscience, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Civil Engineering, Petroleum/Mining Engineering.</li> <li>• At least 4 years related work experience.</li> </ul>

		<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Or</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Five (5) CSEC subjects with Grades I,II,III or GCE (Ordinary Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C, which must include English Language and Mathematics or equivalent,;</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>And</u></b></p> <p>An Associate Degree with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.00 or equivalent in a related subject area.</p>		
3.	<b>Asset Integrity Management/ Infrastructure Planning and Management/Critical Infrastructure Systems</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in a related field of Engineering, or Facility Management, or Health, Safety and Environment or with a GPA of 2.00 or above <b>in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></li> <li>At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Master's degree in a related field of Engineering, or Facility Management, or Health, Safety and Environment.</li> <li>At least 4 years related work experience.</li> </ul>
4.	<b>Economics, Mathematical/ Economic Modelling</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Five (5) CSEC subjects with Grades I,II,III or GCE (Ordinary Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C, which must include English Language and Mathematics or equivalent,;</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>with</u></b></p> <p>Two (2) CAPE subjects (Units I&amp;II) with Grades I,II,III in the Mathematics Subject Groups (Additional Mathematics/Pure Mathematics including Economics);</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>And</u></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in Mathematics, Economics, Engineering or Finance or with a GPA of 2.00 or above <b>in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent.</b></li> <li>At least (3) years related work experience.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Master's degree in Mathematics, Economics, Engineering or Finance.</li> <li>At least 4 years related work experience.</li> </ul>

		<p>Caribbean Studies and Communication Studies with Grades I, II, III.</p> <p><b>Or</b></p> <p>GCE (Advanced Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C or equivalent in the Mathematics Subject Groups (Additional Mathematics/Pure Mathematics including Economics);</p> <p><b>And</b></p> <p>General Paper with Grades A,B,C;</p> <p><b>Or</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Five (5) CSEC subjects with Grades I,II,III or GCE (Ordinary Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C, which must include English Language and Mathematics or equivalent,;</li> </ul> <p><b>And</b></p> <p>An Associate Degree with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.00 or equivalent in Mathematics or Economics.</p>		
5.	<b>Oil, Gas and Energy Policy</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in (Law, Economics, Geoscience, Finance, Petroleum/Mining Engineering, or Business Management) <b>or with a GPA of 2.00 or above in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></li> <li>• At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Master's degree in (Law, Economics, Geoscience, Finance, Petroleum/Mining Engineering, or Business Management)</li> <li>• At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
6.	<b>Geology/Geophysics/Geoscience</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in Geology, Geomatics, Geophysics, or Geoscience <b>or with a GPA of 2.00 or above in respect</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Master's degree in Geology, Geomatics, Geophysics, or Geoscience.</li> </ul>

			<p><b>of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
7.	<b>Renewable Energy Technology</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in (Environmental Sciences, Geology, Electrical Engineering, Petroleum Geoscience or a related field of Engineering) <b>or with a GPA of 2.00 or above in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></li> <li>At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Master's degree in (Environmental Science, Electrical Engineering, Geology, Petroleum Geoscience or a related field of Engineering)</li> <li>At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
8.	<b>Petroleum Economics and Management</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in (Law, Economics, Geoscience, Finance, Petroleum/Mining Engineering, or Business Management) <b>or with a GPA of 2.00 or above in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></li> <li>At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Master's degree in (Law, Economics, Geoscience, Finance, Petroleum/Mining Engineering, or Business Management)</li> <li>At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
9.	<b>Environmental Studies</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in (Environmental Science or Natural Science) <b>or with a GPA of 2.00 or above in respect of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></li> <li>At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Master's degree in (Environmental Science or Natural Science)</li> <li>At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
10.	<b>Strategic Procurement Management/ Procurement and Contract Management</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Five (5) CSEC subjects with Grades I,II,III or GCE (Ordinary Level) subjects with Grades</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A First degree with at least Lower Second Class Honours in a related field <b>or with a GPA of 2.00 or above in respect</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Master's degree in a related field</li> </ul>



		<p>A,B,C, which must include English Language and Mathematics or equivalent,;  <u>with</u>  Two (2) CAPE subjects (Units I&amp;II) or I,II,III or equivalent in the Business Studies subject Groups;  <u>And</u>  Caribbean Studies and Communication Studies with Grades I,II,III;  <u>Or</u>  GCE (Advanced Level) subjects with Grades or A,B,C, in the Business Studies subject Groups or equivalent;  <u>And</u>  General Paper with Grades A,B,C  <u>Or</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Five (5) CSEC subjects with Grades I,II,III or GCE (Ordinary Level) subjects with Grades A,B,C, which must include English Language and Mathematics or equivalent,;</li> </ul> <p><u>And</u>  An Associate Degree with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.00 or equivalent in a related subject area.</p>	<p><b>of qualifications obtained at the UWI or equivalent</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least (3) years related work experience</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At least 4 years related work experience</li> </ul>
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## **D. Requirements**

- (a) Applicants are required to submit two (2) recommendations electronically.
- i. One must be an academic recommendation and the other, personal or professional; and
  - ii. Recommenders must attest to the applicant's ability to perform and succeed as a scholar by providing relevant and practical examples where applicable. This may include a description of any contribution the applicant may have made to institutions/communities/country.

**Recommendations must be signed, scanned and uploaded to the online application. Only scanned copies of the signed recommendations will be accepted.**

- (b) Applicants applying for an undergraduate degree must prepare an essay of no more than 500 words, submitted online. Similarly, applicants applying for a postgraduate degree must prepare an essay of no more than 750 words, submitted online. The essay must:

- i. **State why your chosen programme of study is crucial for the development of Trinidad and Tobago's Energy Sector and demonstrate its alignment to government's expressed policy;**

Demonstrate that you have knowledge of this sector and present relevant data that would highlight this as an important national issue.

- ii. **Indicate why you have selected to study your proposed programme of study;**

Demonstrate how your educational background can help you maximize the benefit of being exposed to this programme of study.

Justify how this programme will be of benefit to the country (identify clear and appropriate gaps and targets).

- iii. **Discuss the impact the chosen course of study is likely to have on your capacity to meet the country's needs.**

Articulate your vision for this sector having been exposed to this programme.

Discuss the impact (medium and long term) you would like to make in relation to the goals and objectives of Trinidad and Tobago's National Development Plan – Vision 2030.

**Please ensure your essay is formatted according to the following specifications:**

- i. Typed in font style Times New Roman;
- ii. Font size 12;
- iii. Line spacing 1.0;
- iv. Aligned Justified; and
- v. A declared word count is displayed at the end of the study plan/essay.

**Your essay must be scanned and uploaded to the online application.**

## **E. Selection Methodology:**

Applicants will be assessed and recommended for a scholarship on the following:

- i. Academic merit
- ii. Quality and content of essay
- iii. Interview

(Area A) Work and Volunteer Experiences and Attributes

(Area B) Maturity

(Area C) Adaptation/Clarification of Essay

### **Applicants must upload the following documents to their 'Online' application:**

- Copies of Academic Certificates, Degrees or Diplomas;
- Proof of acceptance/enrollment at an academic institution;
- Copy of **New Polymer Birth Certificate** (with affidavit where necessary);
- Copy of Proof of Change of Name (where necessary);
- Copy of relevant biodata page from valid Trinidad and Tobago Passport. If this is not available, a copy of Electoral Identification Card (back and front);
- Persons born outside of Trinidad and Tobago must provide evidence of citizenship (copy) and residency;
- Applicants who are Public Officers must upload a signed letter from their Permanent Secretary/Head of Department indicating that they have no disciplinary matters pending;
- Any further documents which you prepared and which provides greater insight into your research proposal;

### **Please note:**

- Applicants must meet all the requirements of this scholarship to be considered eligible.
- Candidates must attain a minimum score of 50% at the interview in order to be considered for the nomination of the scholarship.
- The Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago is responsible for the nomination of suitable candidates and this does not in any way guarantee selection or placement for this scholarship.
- All originals must be produced upon request.
- Applicants must ensure that their information on the attached/uploaded documents are legible at a zoom ratio of 100%. Applicants **must not submit documents in 'Zip Folders'**. Each document should be uploaded in the relevant field on the upload page. Please ensure that your documents are legible by opening and checking the quality of the document before submitting your application online. Applications with documents, which are illegible, cannot be verified and will therefore not be processed.

**Applicants must ensure that their transcripts are sent directly to the following address:-**

**Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Education  
(Scholarships and Advanced Training Division)  
Level 10, Education Towers  
# 5 St. Vincent Street  
Port-of-Spain**

**Attention: Selections Secretariat**

Applicants who wish to hand deliver their transcripts must ensure it bears the seal of the academic institution and submitted to the Selections Secretariat.

**Transcripts must be received before the closing date of the scholarship for your application to be considered:**

**DEADLINE DATE FOR APPLICATION: June 28th, 2024 @4pm**

For further information, please go to our website at [www.scholarships.moe.gov.tt](http://www.scholarships.moe.gov.tt) or contact the office at telephone numbers 622-2181, ext. 1943, 1942 or email [scholarshipenquiries@moe.gov.tt](mailto:scholarshipenquiries@moe.gov.tt)

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