

Instruction for the OTS Application

Who is eligible to apply for the scholarship?

Students must meet the following basic criteria to apply for the OTS programme:

- ❖ Candidates must be citizens of Vietnam and be resident in Vietnam or study in the Netherlands.
- ❖ Candidates who are currently studying at a Vietnamese university or has finished a bachelor course in Vietnam and want to pursue further/ higher education in the Netherlands;
- ❖ Candidates are currently not working in the Netherlands;
- ❖ Candidates must be fluent in spoken and written English (minimum IELTS 6.0 or TOEFL iBT 80);
- ❖ Candidates have obtained an acceptance letter from a relevant Dutch university;
- ❖ Other criteria set by OTS sponsors concerning particular scholarships under the auspices of OTS programme.

When to apply for the scholarship?

Most scholarships within the framework of OTS are after-application. That means students are qualified to apply for the scholarship offered by one OTS' sponsor (Dutch university/company) only when the students have received the admission letter from the designated Dutch university.

The general application scheme of the OTS programme in academic year 2009/2010 is from Nov 1st 2008 to May 15th 2009. The selection result will be announced before July 1st 2009. However, for each scholarship within the OTS framework, the application schemes vary depending on the sponsors.

How to apply for the scholarship (step-by-step guide)?

- Download the OTS application form on the website and complete it;
- Prepare the annex listed on the application form and package the application dossier;
- Send the application dossier to Neso Vietnam by both email and regular mail, before deadlines;
- Receiving confirmation from Neso Vietnam within 2 weeks after all dossiers are received;
- Pre-selection done by Neso Vietnam, upon requests from OTS sponsors;
- Check the list of candidates who are selected to the next round on the website of Neso Vietnam;
- Documents review by OTS sponsors;
- Receive interview invitation from Neso Vietnam by email;
- Decision-making by OTS sponsors;
- Announcement of scholarship winners by Neso Vietnam;
- Invitation to attend the OTS awarding ceremony in Hanoi/Hochiminh City

How the scholarship will be awarded to winners?

For scholarships in the form of tuition fee waiver, scholarship winners are supposed to contact the responsible person designated by Neso Vietnam in each participated Dutch university directly.

For scholarships in cash (provided by Dutch companies and a few Dutch universities), the tuition fee will be paid to the Dutch institution. If the tuition fee is less than the awarded scholarship, a percentage of the rest amount (after deducting tuition fee) will be issued and granted to scholarship winners before their departure to the Netherlands. The remaining amount of the scholarship will be awarded only after the students successfully completed his/her study in the Netherlands and received his/her Degree. Scholarship winners need to submit a testimonial and one education report to Neso Vietnam after they finish the programmes in the Netherlands. The testimonial provided by winners will be shared with other prospective students. Neso Vietnam has the right to use these articles for communication and promotion purposes.

Note:

- Read the instructions carefully and clearly before starting the application.
- Each applicant may submit only **one** application for **each** OTS scholarship. Submitting more than one application for the **same** scholarship within OTS programme leads to disqualification.
- Applicants are supposed to add a checklist on top of your application package. Applicants should specify the following information on the checklist:
 - 1) Your contact details;
 - 2) Documents submitted (in the order);
 - 3) Special remarks, e.g. the English proficiency test score pending, or any extracurricular activities hosted by OTS sponsors that you've attended in the past, etc.
- If at any time afterward of the scholarship, it becomes clear that the applicant has made inaccurate or incorrect declarations in the application, the scholarship offer will immediately be revoked.
- All decisions concerning the application are binding and confidential. Queries, remarks or complaints regarding selection issues will not be responded.
- Failure to react to Neso Vietnam's correspondence/email within one week can lead to cancellation of the scholarship.

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