



(Call for eligible competitions/events)
Talent Development Scholarship 2023/24

To: All current local and non-local students pursuing the full-time government-funded degree or above level and sub-degree programmes leading to PolyU awards

The **Talent Development Scholarship (TDS)** for 2023/24 offered under the HKSAR Government Scholarship Fund will be open for application in January/February 2024. Before that, we would like to invite your submission on new eligible competitions/events worthy of TDS award for our transmission to the Education Bureau (EDB) for consideration and prior approval.

During the 2012/13 to 2022/23 academic years, a list of eligible competitions/events were approved by EDB. You may check to see whether the competitions/events you have participated are on this approved list ([Appendix A](#)). If the competitions/events at which you have received an award or participated as a representative of PolyU/other organisation are not on the approved list, then you should fill out the “Submission Form for Potential TDS Activities 2023/24 ([Appendix B](#))” and submit it with supporting documents on your prizes/awards and information on the competitions/events to us for verification and submission to EDB for approval. Please note that you are required to provide the following information on the competitions/events for our verification. **Any submission on new competitions/events without supporting documents or sufficient information will NOT be processed/approved.**

The following supporting information/documents are required for your submission:

- 1) Link of the official website of the new competition/event; or printed promotion materials of the new competition/event; *and*
- 2) Award certificate/written proof** of award you received at the new competition/event (** Name of Awardee must be shown on Award Certificate/Written Proof.)

The completed form is to be submitted to us with necessary supporting information/ documents via [PolyU Form Service](#) on or before **11.59 pm on 4 December 2023 (Monday)**. You may refer to the information sheet ([Appendix C](#)) for details on the Scholarship. Please note that competitions/events held within schools or institutions and social/community service activities will NOT be considered for the Scholarship. **Unless the name and organiser(s) of competition(s)/event(s) at which you have received an award are exactly the same as those listed on the approved list, submission of information on the competition(s)/event(s) is required. In case the year of the competition you participated is different from that shown on the approved list for more than 5 years, submission of information on the competition is also required.**

Your submission on the new competitions/events is solely for seeking prior approval from EDB on the eligibility of the competitions/events for the Scholarship. You **MUST submit a formal application for the Scholarship in January/February 2024. Please note that EDB’s approval on the eligibility of your new competitions/events does not guarantee that your scholarship application will be successful. Details on the application will be announced nearer the time.**

Please note that all eligible competitions/events have to be pre-approved by EDB. Late submission on new competitions/events or submission without sufficient information/supporting documents will NOT be accepted/processed. No individual confirmation on the activity approval will be sent out to students. Students may check with the TDS Approved Activity List 2023/24 later when it’s available on our website. Participation in non-approved competitions/events will ONLY serve as evidence of active participation in the certain area of talent and applicants will NOT be awarded TDS based on their achievements/participation in the non-approved activities.

For enquiry on the Scholarship, please contact us at sao.sch@polyu.edu.hk.