

SMU launches postgrad scholarships for retiring SAF staff



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SINGAPORE — The Singapore Management University (SMU) has established its first-of-its-kind postgraduate scholarship for retiring Singapore Armed Forces (SAF) personnel and preparing to embark on their second career today (Jan 14).

Called the SMU Warriors Scholarship, the scholarship has been established to recognise the contributions made by Singapore's military personnel to the country and also an effort in talent development for the nation.

Under the agreement between SMU and SAF, the university will sponsor up to 20 postgraduate scholarships annually for the next three years.

SMU and SAF signed a Memorandum of Understanding this morning to officiate the sponsorship agreement. The signatories were SMU President, Professor Arnoud De Meyer and SAF Chief of Defence Force, Lieutenant-General (LG) Ng Chee Meng.



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Five inaugural SMU Warriors Scholarship recipients were also presented the awards today. The other 15 scholarships will be presented later this year.

The scholarships, which are multi-disciplinary and cover up to 18 postgraduate programmes at the university, are bond-free.

The SMU Warriors Scholarship is open to SAF servicemen and women who are Singapore citizens with at least 10 years of full time military service. The SAF personnel may also apply if they are due for retirement in less than two years — before the start of the SMU postgraduate programme — or have retired from the SAF for not more than a year prior to the start of the relevant programme.