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The MasterCard has announced the recipients of the MasterCard MBA Scholarships for Women, 2013. Given the high quality of applicants this year, MasterCard has decided to award scholarships to four Singapore Management University (SMU) MBA students, instead of two.

The 2013 recipients— Liliia Shamsutdinova (Russia), Marie-Adelaide Mol (France), Ritika Sharma (India) and Sharon Phoon (Malaysia) were chosen for their outstanding academic performance, strong leadership potential as well as active participation in the community.

The scholarship, valued at S\$20,000 each, presents an opportunity for awardees to be able to better manage their academic and community commitments, and develops them into academically outstanding, business savvy and socially responsible women. Through an internship with MasterCard, the four scholarship recipients will also get to learn more about the business and operations of MasterCard, a technology company in the global payments industry which operates the world's fastest payments processing network.

Four other SMU MBA students have been recognised in the last two years. Among them, Akshita Goyal (2013) and Tanvi Sharma (2012) are currently working with MasterCard as a management trainee and programme manager (Regional Issuer — B2B Marketing), respectively.