CANCER SCIENCE INSTITUTE OF SINGAPORE GRADUATE ADMISSION APPLICATION CHECKLIST

All supporting documents are to be submitted in soft copies to **GDA3 online admission system**.

Compulsory documents:		Please rename the files as follows:
	A recent Passport Size Photo	Photo_[FULL NAME]
	Copy of Singapore NRIC (for Singaporean and Singapore PRs)/ copy of Passport page showing nationality and personal details for international applicants.	NRIC/ Passport_[FULL NAME]
	A comprehensive CV highlighting academic accomplishments and pertinent experience (limit to 2 pages).	CV_[FULL NAME]
	Research Proposal (limit to 2 pages) A research proposal is meant to evaluate applicant's scientific reasoning and skills. Research proposal submitted is not a confirmation of the final PhD project.	Research Proposal_[FULL NAME]
	Statement of Purpose (limit to 2 pages) A well-crafted statement of purpose detailing research excellence, leadership, community engagement/service and resilience. Please see Annex A below for more information.	Statement of Purpose_[FULL NAME]
	A copy of Bachelor's degree certificate (and Master's degree certificate, if any) (with English translation, if applicable)	Academic Certificates_[FULL NAME]
	A copy of Bachelor's degree transcript (and Master's degree transcript, if any) (with English translation, if applicable) Official transcript(s) will be requested from applicants who are shortlisted for interview.	Academic Transcripts_[FULL NAME]
	A copy of TOEFL/IELTS scoresheet Note: TOEFL/IELTS is compulsory for applicants whose native tongue and medium of university instruction is not English.	TOEFL/IELTS_[FULL NAME]
	2 Academic Referees' contact details to be provided in the GDA3 online admission system. The academic referees will receive a link from our online admission system. They are required to submit their recommendations via the link within 2 weeks.	-

Optional documents:	Please rename the
Indicators of research skills and experience will significantly strengthen your application.	files as follows:
A copy of GRE scoresheet Note: Submission of GRE scores is strongly encouraged for all applicants. GRE scores demonstrating strong quantitative, verbal, and analytical abilities will strengthen your application.	GRE result_[FULL NAME]
List of Publication(s) A comprehensive list of your publications detailing the specifics of each publication, including the following information: 1. Authorship: First/Co-first Author or Coauthor/Corresponding Author 2. Publication status: Published/ Accepted / Under Review/ Pre-print/ Submitted 3. Type of publication: Original Research Articles/ Review Articles/ Case Study/ Conference Paper/ Others (please specify) 4. Impact Factor of the journal (in the year of publication) 5. Brief description of your contribution to the publication 6. Digital Object Identifier (DOI) of each article 7. Language of the Main Content: English/non-English	Publication List_[FULL NAME]
 Professional Certificates or Academic Awards (with English translation, if applicable) 	Awards_[FULL NAME]

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Statement of Purpose

Please provide a Statement of Purpose (maximum 2 pages, Calibri, font size 11, with standard 1-inch margins, excluding supporting documents) addressing the four sections below. Please provide specific, concrete examples as well as supporting documents e.g. certificates etc, where applicable. You will be asked to elaborate on your examples during the interview, so only include experiences you can discuss in detail.

Section 1: Research Excellence

Discuss your development as a researcher and your potential to make meaningful contributions to the field. You may include examples from your academic background, research experiences, motivation on why you are pursuing cancer research, or creative approaches to solving problems.

Section 2: Leadership

Share how you hope to make an impact in cancer research and how your past experiences have shaped your thinking and ability to lead or inspire others.

Section 3: Community Engagement and Services

Describe how you engage with the research community and work with others toward shared scientific goals.

Section 4: Resilience

Share experiences that illustrate your integrity, perseverance, and growth as a scientist, especially in the face of challenges or setbacks.

Additional Information (optional)

Any other relevant experiences or circumstances not covered above.

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