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OPPORTUNITIES FOR PHD STUDY AT THE SINGAPORE MANAGEMENT UNIVERSITY

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The School of Information Systems of the Singapore Management University invites applications for our PhD in Information Systems programme.

Our research (<http://sis.smu.edu.sg/research/research-overview>) focuses on the following areas:

- Data Management & Analytics
- Information Security & Trust
- Information Systems & Management
- Intelligent Systems & Decision Analytics
- Software Systems

Our PhD students enjoy many opportunities to participate in our research centers and labs, where they work on large-scale test-beds, real data and field experiments in collaboration with industry partners. One such example is the Living Analytics Research Centre (LARC), a joint 5-year effort between our university and Carnegie Mellon (<http://www.larc.smu.edu.sg/>). Our PhD students who participate in LARC projects may go on a 10-month, fully paid training residency at Carnegie Mellon University during their PhD study. (<http://www.larc.smu.edu.sg/LARC-overseas-PhD-residency.html>)

We have secured funding for large-scale initiatives including:

- The Living Analytics Research Centre: S\$26M over five years from the Singapore government.
- LiveLabs Urban Lifestyle Innovation Platform: S\$9.94 M over five years from the Singapore government.
- SMU- TCS iCity Lab: S\$6M over 3 years from Tata Consulting Services.

The combined funding of S\$35.94M for LARC and LiveLabs would position us among the world's largest university initiatives in Business, Consumer and Social Analytics. We are likely one of the largest university efforts focused on closed-loop, network-centric real-world consumer insight field trials. This puts us at the forefront of certain areas of computational social science.

Through the SMU-TCS iCity Lab, we are designing, creating and testing a "City Management Platform" for newly emerging cities in China, and eventually in other developing countries.

We have scholarships for full-time PhD students. The scholarships cover tuition and registration fees, and also provide a generous monthly living stipend.

We are accepting applications from 01 November 2013 till 31 January 2014 for admission in August 2014. Application procedure and other details on our programme can be found at <http://sis.smu.edu.sg/programmes/PhD/online-application>. Below is a summary of our application requirements:

- A Bachelor degree with good honors, or a Master degree, in a relevant discipline.
- Transcripts for Bachelor and/or Master degrees.
- TOEFL scores for applicants whose medium of instruction for their degrees is not English.
- GRE or GMAT scores.
- Research statement on specific research interests.
- Personal statement on academic and career objectives.

- References from two academic referees.

Applicants may also find the following resources helpful:

- More about the PhD in Information Systems programme at the Singapore Management University:

<http://sis.smu.edu.sg/programmes/PhD/overview>

- More about the research at the School of Information Systems:

<http://sis.smu.edu.sg/research/research-overview>

- Brochure for the PhD in Information Systems programme:

http://smu.edu.sg/sites/default/files/programmes/22584/phd_brochure.pdf

- More about Singapore Management University:

<http://smu.edu.sg/>