

Guidelines - Application for Conference With Financial Assistance

Eligibility Criteria

- Full-time MDes students with a semester/cumulative GPA of 4.0 or higher.
- Conference submission (i.e paper/ poster presentation) has to be a direct result of the teaching and learning activities of the MDes programme.

Financial Assistance Coverage

Approved applicants may receive financial support up to a maximum of **SGD 1,500** which may cover:

- **Airfare:** 50% of the most economical airfare.
- **Registration Fees:** 50% to 100% of the conference registration fee

A student may only be provided with a travel grant once during their MDes candidature.

Application Process

- Complete the [Application Survey](#) and attach the paper to be presented.
- The completed Application Survey will be reviewed by the MDes Programme Lead for approval.
- Upon approval, the final amount of financial support will be determined, and the student(s) will be informed.
- Reimbursement of financial support will be administered for the student(s).
- Students will have to ensure that the conference materials have to be reviewed by the faculty member in charge of the research/project the conference submission is based on and the MDes programme Lead.

Post-Conference Requirements Requirements

- **Conference Summary:** Students are required to prepare and submit a brief written summary of the conference, accompanied by relevant photographs. These materials may be used for MDes program outreach and may also be featured on the Division's social media platforms or in official publications.
- **Submission:** Send the materials to the MDes Programme Admin at didnurn@nus.edu.sg at least 2 weeks after return from the conference.

NUS DID Conference list *(dated in 2024, non-exhaustive list)*

Research Areas	Conference	Impact
Research Area 1: Design for Technology & Innovation	ACM CHI (Human Factors in Computing Systems)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top tier HCI publication venue • A* ranked at CORE2023 (within top 7.47% of 803 ranked venues) • Google Scholar HCI category #1, CiteScore2020 8.3 • Rank 1 by NUS School of Computing
	ACM UbiComp / ISWC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top tier HCI publication venue • Google Scholar HCI category #3 • Rank 2 by NUS School of Computing
	ACM UIST (ACM Symposium on User Interface Software and Technology)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top tier HCI publication venue • A* ranked at CORE2023 (within top 7.47%) • Google Scholar HCI category #10, • Rank 2 by NUS School of Computing
	ACM SIGGRAPH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A* ranked at CORE2023 (within top 7.47%)
	ACM TEI (Tangible, Embedded and Embodied Interaction)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premier HCI publication venue • B ranked at CORE2023 (within top 27.77%)
	ACM CSCW / Group (ACM Proceedings of Human-Computer Interaction)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top tier HCI publication venue • A ranked at CORE2023 (within top 14.45%) • Google Scholar HCI category #7 • Rank 2 by School of Computing-SoC • Journal equivalent

	ACM DIS (Designing Interactive Systems)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top tier HCI publication venue • A ranked at CORE2023 (within top 14.45%) • Google Scholar HCI category #12
	ACM IDC (Interaction Design and Children)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premier HCI publication venue • B ranked at CORE2023 (within top 27.77%)
Research Area 2: Design for Society & Business	DRS (Design Research Society)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operated by the Design Research Society, the largest global design research organization
	IASDR (International Association of Societies of Design Research)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The largest international design research conference partnered with the Design Research Society
	ServDes (Service Design and Innovation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The most recognized conference in Service Design and Innovation
	The AIGA design conference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Run by the most well established graphic design organization in the world