



# RPCS FELLOWSHIP 2023/2024

## APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN

The Research Programme in the Study of Muslim Communities of Success (RPCS) was launched in June 2021, and it was developed as part of Muis' efforts in advancing religious thought leadership For the future.

The RPCS would like to invite Asatizah and religious graduates with an interest in research work and academic writing, to apply for the RPCS fellowship. Candidates should ideally hold a Masters degree or extensive experience serving the local Muslim community. Research topics need to be aligned to any of the three RPCS Research Focus areas- Governance, Society, and Science & Technology. Interested applicants are invited to write in to the RPCS Secretariat at [RPCS@muis.gov.sg](mailto:RPCS@muis.gov.sg) to express your interests by **12 February 2024**.

The RPCS Programme seeks to develop contextualised bodies of knowledge on socio-religious issues that are typical for Muslim communities living in secular states and advanced economies. The RPCS focus will be on developing new understanding, interpretations and application of Islamic principles, values and traditions to contemporary issues and challenges. The RPCS aims to bring together local scholars and senior practitioners to look into current and future issues in the socio-religious life of the Singapore Muslim community. It serves as a platform to nurture the right intellectual environment to facilitate the growth and development of its own group of religious leaders, scholars and thinkers who are authentic and credible to guide the local Muslim community.

*For more information on RPCS, please visit: [www.muis.gov.sg/officeofmufti/rpcs](http://www.muis.gov.sg/officeofmufti/rpcs)*



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## **What does the fellowship offer?**

As an RPCS fellow, you will be provided a monetary grant to work on your research projects. You will also benefit from guidance and mentorship and be given access to relevant resources, such as access to academic and resource libraries. Fellows will also benefit from specially curated research training programmes.

## **What are the key deliverables?**

Depending on the type of fellowship, the scope of deliverables will vary. The main deliverable across all fellowships will be a research paper based on your proposed topic and a presentation at an RPCS platform, which may be a roundtable discussion (RTD) or seminar. Fellows will also need to clock in a minimum of two check-in sessions with the RPCS mentor and/or secretariat during the period of fellowship.

## **How long is the fellowship for and may I apply if I am currently working?**

Depending on the type of fellowship, the period ranges from two months to one year. Fellows can carry out their research and writing on an adjunct basis. Fellows who are currently employed are encouraged to attain prior permission to apply for the grant. Thereafter, a discussion between the employers and the Secretariat may be arranged to discuss work arrangements and research commitments.

*For further details on the types of fellowship and the support provided,  
please write in to [RPCS@muis.gov.sg](mailto:RPCS@muis.gov.sg)*