Mr Kenneth Kam, a forex trader, author, entrepreneur and the founder of Kenn Foundation, donated $150,000 to establish an endowment fund for a scholarship named “Kenneth Kam Scholarship”. In the course of his life, Mr Kam faced many financial and personal struggles. After failing to complete his polytechnic diploma course, he worked in commodities, insurance and then marketing. Despite his career success, he found himself without a job when the SARS outbreak struck. At this crossroad, Mr Kam decided to trade in foreign exchange, a major turning point in his life that also spurred him to become a philanthropist. Mr Kam’s other philanthropic causes in higher education include a legacy gift to Duke-NUS.

The purpose of the fund is to award one-time Scholarships to FASS undergraduates majoring in South Asian Studies, Southeast Asian Studies, Japanese Studies and Malay Studies at FASS, with preference given to financially needy students.

The value of each award and the number of awards to be awarded in each academic year will be decided based on the funds available in that academic year.

The award of the Scholarship will commence in AY2020-21.