



# **Bharath**

**INSTITUTE OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND RESEARCH**

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## **SCHOLARSHIP POLICY**



**Bharath Institute of Higher Education and Research  
(Deemed to be University)  
Chennai**

**Preamble**

Higher Education has had played a very vital role in the history of nation building all over the world. It is amply clear that no rise in general standards of living and culture is possible without strengthening the higher education system in the country. It obviously calls for a multipronged strategy and to continuously attract young and talented students to pursue higher education by way of providing them good incentives in the form of scholarships.

Right to Education is one of the fundamental rights of every Indian citizen. Bharath believes that money should not be a constraint for a student with innovative ideas in his mind and passion in his heart. We extend scholarships, stipends and financial assistance to meritorious students based on their academic achievements.

**Principle**

Bharath is committed to fair, balanced and non-discriminatory policy on the scholarship based on merit, economic need, equity, and affirmative actions. The policy does not discriminate against students or scholars based on gender, gender preference, caste, creed, religion, age.

**Objectives**

- To promote and nurture talents.
- To reward & encourage the meritorious students by providing financial assistance
- To build up academic excellence at every level of education & research.

**Types of Scholarships**

1. Merit Scholarship for UG & PG Students
2. Fellowships for Doctoral Research Scholars and Post-Doctoral Fellows.
3. Stipends for Medical and Dental Students
4. Bharath Stipend: A Book Support Scheme

**Eligibility Criteria****1. Merit Scholarship:**

Bharath encourages and patronises the academic merit of the students by providing Annual Merit Scholarships to the UG & PG Students. In order to promote the educative spirit among the students, Bharath merit scholarship shall be given to all students who fulfil certain predefined and notified criteria of academic performance in their Diploma, 12<sup>th</sup>, Graduation, as applicable as initial eligibility. However, for renewal scholarship for subsequent years, the CGPA and class performance will be taken into consideration. The eligibility criteria are circulated among the students at the time of admission, in the admission brochure or documents and is hoisted on the website. There is no restriction or ceiling in the number of students who will get the scholarship. Any student who fulfils the eligibility criteria will get the scholarship. The eligibility criteria and the scholarship amount may be reviewed time to time and the changes will be implemented from the beginning of the academic year. The eligibility criteria and the scholarship amount shall remain constant for a particular batch of specified regulation during their tenure of study. The eligibility and amount of scholarship vary from programme to programme.

**2. Fellowships for Doctoral and Post-Doctoral fellows:**

Bharath shall provide monthly fellowships to full time Ph.D research Scholars and to post-doctoral fellows depending on their nature, specialization, significance and proposed outcome of the research. The eligibility to get the fellowship shall be determined through the evaluation of research proposals (synopsis presentation) as presented by the eligible candidates and will be declared on the basis of an initial written test followed by a viva-voce. For this purpose, special empowered committees are to be formed every year, faculty wise, which will evaluate the eligibility of the candidates on the basis of the nature, significance and proposed outcome of the research proposals. Based upon the recommendations of the committee submitted through the Dean, Research & Development, the final list of eligible students shall be notified from the office of the Registrar.

Yearly renewal of the fellowships will be subjected to the recommendations of the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) based on the annual review of satisfactory progress / performance of the scholars.

**3. Stipends for Medical and Dental Students:**

Monthly stipends shall be provided to all Medical & Dental PG students and Interns during their entire tenure of study. The quantum of stipends shall be notified at the beginning of every academic year.

**4. Bharath Stipend (A Book Support Scheme):**

This scholarship shall be given to all students who are not declared to be qualified to get any scholarship or support whatsoever from any source, be it, govt., private, or the institution itself, as One Time Annual Book Support. It is open ended and flexible in nature. It will be open to all students irrespective of academic performance or any other measure of performance. There shall be no ceiling in the number, but the amount of scholarship may vary year to year as decided by the competent authority and shall be duly notified at the beginning of the academic year for all batches of students.

**5. Academic Fee Waiver or Discount in Tuition Fee:** Need based fee waiver and special discounts in the tuition fees may be given to the students on case-to-case basis depending on the nature of hardship and difficulty. The modalities shall be decided by the competent authority.

**Application Process**

The students shall submit the applications in the appropriate format at the department or institute with all supporting documents, as applicable. The departments will verify and recommend the eligible applications to the Director-Admissions or Registrar or any other competent authority as notified for the purpose, for approval. The list of students receiving the scholarship will be notified annually.

Terms & Conditions:

1. To get the scholarship shall not be considered as a matter of right. Bharath reserves the right to cancel the awarded scholarship with immediate effect on the ground of loss of confidence, indiscipline, proven misconduct, lack of authenticity of the submitted documents etc. In such cases of cancellation of sanctioned scholarships, the students shall be given an opportunity of being heard.
2. The Selection Committee will select the candidate for scholarship on the basis of academic achievements, statement of purpose and references submitted, as applicable for the respective schemes. The decision of the Selection Committee will be final. Reasons for not being awarded the scholarship will not be given.
3. All scholarships awarded shall be reviewed annually.
4. Recipients must satisfy basic criteria of good behavior. Awardees shall not violate university discipline during the period. Alleged discipline violations by the student shall also be taken into consideration at the time of annual renewal.
5. Scholarship shall not be transferable in any circumstances.
6. Awardees are required to be regular in attending classes. The yardstick for this shall be determined by the University time to time.
7. Merit scholarship awardees are required to maintain a consistently high level of academic performance. If an awardee fails to secure a minimum CGPA and attendance criteria, as prescribed for that batch, then he/she will be considered ineligible for the renewal of the scholarship.
8. It is hereby stated out of abundant caution that if a student is unable to fulfil any of the above conditions due to serious illness or other circumstances beyond her or his control, then this alone shall not comprise a ground for revocation of scholarship. This shall not preclude the student from applying to relevant authorities for fee waiver or other appropriate relief.
9. The University may at its discretion change at any time the rules relating to scholarships.
10. If an awardee violates any term or condition of the scholarship, the latter may be suspended or cancelled.

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