

Policy for Institutional Scholarships, Fee Concessions, Tuition Waivers and Freeships

With a view to reward and encourage outstanding and meritorious performers in academics and extra /co-curricular activities, as well as to support deserving students from various socio-economic backgrounds to strive and achieve their best, CHRIST (Deemed to be University) offers institutional scholarships and freeships to students. Normally scholarship is given to final year/semester Undergraduate and Postgraduate students based on their aggregate academic performance over the previous years/semesters. However, students from other years/semesters are provided the same on a case-to-case basis by considering the application and documents submitted by the applicant. The University also offers fee concessions and instalment provision for deserving students. Newer scholarships may be offered by the Institution based on the need of the times.

The students who are intending to avail these facilities have to submit their application in a prescribed format to their respective Head of the Department. The Head of the Department based on the applicant's academic performance and the economic background scrutinises the application and the same decisions are shared with the Dean of the School who forwards it to the Scholarship/Freeship Award Committee. The recommendation of the Committee is forwarded to the Registrar for sanction.

List of Scholarships and Freeships offered by CHRIST (Deemed to be University)
Following is the list of some of the major scholarships offered by the Institution. The Institution may add and provide more scholarships based on the need of the times.

CHRIST Exam Fee Waiver Scholarship

Exam Fee Waiver Scholarships are provided for economically weak, but diligent students to provide them with equal opportunities to appear and crack competitive practical and theory examinations. Meritorious students are also provided the Scholarship. Further, the scholarship is also provided to eligible students during situations like the pandemic where online exams need to be taken remotely.

Chavara Free Meal Scholarship

Deserving students from various social and economic backgrounds (SC/ST/OBC/SBC) who cannot afford their daily meals are eligible for a Free Meal Scholarship. Alongside, students who represent the Institution for sports, cultural and literary events are also eligible for free meal scholarships. This Scholarship is provided in the name and spirit of St Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the Founder of the CMI Congregation, who originally introduced the idea of providing mid-day meals to poor and Dalit students in educational institutions in mid-Nineteenth Century.

CHRIST Foreign Students Scholarship

Granting further aid and educational possibilities in a different cultural environment than in their home country, foreign students in CHRIST are offered a Scholarship.

CHRIST Cent Percent Attendance Scholarship

Students who obtain hundred percent attendance in their previous semester are eligible for scholarships in the University. The list of such students is sent by the Heads of Departments to the Deans, who in turn forward the same to the Scholarship Committee for further action.

CHRIST Internet Scholarship

The University provides free internet service throughout its campuses. However, during cases like the pandemic when many needy University students have to study remotely using data

packs and other means for online education, CHRIST offers Internet Fee Waiver Scholarship. An application in this regard needs to be made by the students to the Scholarship Committee through the Heads of Departments.

Bishop Jonas Thaliath Memorial Fee Concession Scholarship

The University supports deserving students from families of poor means by allowing fee concessions for their Programme of study as Scholarships. The Fee Concession Scholarship has been constituted in memory of Bishop Jonas Thaliath CMI, who was a visionary leader of the CMI congregation who put utmost emphasis on education, self-sufficiency and development. The fee concession is allowed on the basis of request from the student and the parent. The amount of concession allowed will depend on the social, economic and family background of the student. The University Financial Budgets allocate funding for Scholarship and Fee Concessions.

Bishop Emmanuel Mani Giles Pothanamuzhy Memorial Merit Scholarship

Students who gain academic, curricular or extracurricular achievements in the previous semester are provided a merit scholarship constituted in the memory of Bishop Emmanuel Mani Giles Pothanamuzhy, who was the founder Principal of the Institution.

A student with a brilliant academic record, having secured First Class in all the previous semesters with minimum 70% aggregate marks, with a minimum of 85% attendance is eligible to apply. The University also offers Scholarships for excellence in sports, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities - A student with a good academic record, without any arrears and who has minimum of 85% attendance and who is actively associated with CSA/NCC/ACC/SWO/CAPS/Student Council or Sports activities of the University or represented the University in events outside the campus and the certificate supporting his/her application for the particular academic year is eligible to apply.

The list of students who are to be provided the Merit Scholarship is forwarded to the Scholarship Selection Committee based on the recommendations of the Class teachers, Heads of Departments and Deans/Associated of the various Schools.

CHRIST Tuition Fee Waiver Scholarship

Tuition Fee waivers are provided to deserving students from economically weaker backgrounds to aid their higher education studies. Grant-in-Aid students are also eligible for this scholarship.

Payment of Fee in Instalments

The University allows the students in deserving cases to pay the course fee in instalments. A request letter in this regard, supporting the claim from the student and the parent can allow for this.

Scholarship and Fellowship Selection Committee

The Scholarship and Fellowship Selection Committee as constituted by the Vice Chancellor is as under:

Director Office of Student Welfare	-	Chairperson
Dean (Nominated by the Vice Chancellor)	-	Member
One of the Heads of Departments (nominated by the VC)	-	Member
Chief Finance Officer	-	Member
Controller of Examinations	-	Member
Registrar	-	Member Secretary

The tenure of nominated members of the Scholarship Selection Committee is two years.

The recommendations of the Scholarship Selection Committee are placed before the Vice Chancellor for approval and sanction.

The grant/renewal of the scholarship or decisions to revoke scholarships are communicated by the Registrar to the Head of the Department concerned, the student, the Chief Finance Officer and the Controller of Examinations.

Support for Educational Loan Applications

If a student requires to apply for an educational loan from Banks or other institutions, the University shall provide a recommendation letter, issued by the Registrar. An application in prescribed format is to be provided to the Office of Registrar with supporting documents.

Scholarship Support Office

The CHRIST (Deemed to be University) Scholarship and Fellowship Support Cell works to support and help students with regard to all scholarships.



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