

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF WELFARE
(DIRECTORATE OF WELFARE OF SCHEDULED CASTES AND BACKWARD CLASSES)
SCO 148-149, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh-160022
MINORITY WING



S. Parkash Singh Badal
Chief Minister

Merit-Cum-Means Based Scholarship Scheme for Minority Students -2016-17
Last Date: - 31st October 2016 (For Fresh & Renewal Applications)

Online applications are invited from students belonging to minority communities (Sikhs, Muslims, Christians, Buddhists, Parsis & Jains) pursuing technical or professional courses at graduate/ post graduate level in the institutions in the Punjab State approved by an competent authority under Merit-cum-Means Based Scholarship Scheme for the Session 2016-17, on website: www.scholarships.gov.in.

Eligibility & Conditions for Scholarship

- i) Annual income of the beneficiary/parent or guardian of beneficiary should not exceed Rs. 2.50 lacs from all sources.
- ii) Scholarship is awarded to the students who have secured not less than 50% marks or equivalent grade in the previous final examination.
- iii) Renewal of scholarship depends on successful completion of the course during the preceding year and securing not less than 50% marks.
- iv) A scholarship holder under this scheme will not avail any other scholarship/stipend for pursuing the same course.
- v) A student residing in Punjab State is entitled for scholarship under the quota of the State irrespective of his place of study.
- vi) Income certificate should be on self certification basis by way of an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper for self-employed parents/guardian and from employer for employed parents/guardian.

Rate of Scholarship

Sr. No.	Type of financial assistance	Rate for hosteller	Rate for day-Scholar
1.	Maintenance allowance from date of admission (for 10 months only)	Rs. 10,000 per annum (Rs. 1000/- pm)	Rs. 5,000 per annum (Rs. 500/- pm)
2.	Course fee*	Rs. 20,000/- per annum or actual whichever is less	Rs. 20,000/- per annum or actual whichever is less
Total		Rs. 30,000/-	Rs. 25,000/-

*Full course fee will be re-imbursed for National Level Institutions such as IIT's, IIM's etc.

Time-Line (for Fresh & Renewal Scholarship):-

Last date for submission of online applications to the institutions for fresh & Renewal scholarships by students is 31st October, 2016

How to Apply :-

- (a) The eligible students can apply online on the website www.scholarships.gov.in. Students will forward their applications online to the institution and will take a print out of the same. This print out along-with all requisite documents (as prescribed in the print out) will be submitted to the concerned institution. Student will get a temporary ID, which he/she will retain/ keep with him/her for any further correspondence etc.
- (b) The institution will scrutinize & forward all these applications online by login on the same website with **User IDs and Passwords** (provided to them earlier by Welfare Department).

- Note:-**
- i) It may be noted that submission of Aadhar is mandatory.**
 - ii) Students/Institutes are advised to read the "FAQ's and Information For Institutes" available on the home-page of the website carefully before filling online applications and scrutiny by the institutes.**
 - iii) Institutes will ensure that only those online applications be forwarded to Welfare Department where hard copies with documents are submitted by the students and certified by them.**
 - iv) No manual application will be entertained.**

For further detail, Visit:- www.minorityaffairs.gov.in. Queries/Clarifications and for new registration welcomed at: minorityaffairspunjab@gmail.com Toll Free No.1800-137-0015.

Director Welfare