

Policy on Scholarship and Freeship

Objective:

This policy establishes transparent procedures for the socially equitable distribution of scholarships and freeships to deserving and eligible students at Manonmaniam Sundaranar University (MSU), Tirunelveli, fostering access to higher education and academic excellence.

Scope:

This policy applies to all MSU students and covers the undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral levels across various disciplines.

Scholarship and Freeship Categories:

A. Scholarships:

- Scholarships are welfare-based schemes offered by the Government that provide financial support to underprivileged students so that they can achieve their career goals without any financial stress.
- Scholarships are also merit-based financial awards conferred upon students based on academic performance, extracurricular achievements, leadership qualities, and other criteria specified by the scholarship provider.
- Scholarship schemes include government, institutional, and private scholarships.

B. Freeships:

- Freeships are need-based financial grants extended to economically disadvantaged students to all eviate the economic burden of education-related expenses such as tuition fees, examination fees, and other charges.
- Eligibility for freeships is determined based on demonstrated financial need and is subject to verification by the university's financial aid office.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Scholarships:

- Eligibility criteria for scholarships may vary depending on the specific scholarship scheme and are typically based on academic performance, leadership qualities, and other relevant criteria.
- Students must meet the prescribed eligibility criteria to be considered for scholarships.

- Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar & Tribal Welfare Higher Education Special Scholarship Scheme (Hess) 2003
- SC/ST Scholarship – Govt of India
- State Post - Matric Special Scholarship
- Scholarship for the Physically Handicapped
- Indira Gandhi Single Female Child Scholarship

(I) Free Education to the first generation students belonging to backward classes up to UG Degree. Income limit below Rs. 50,000/- per year.

(II) Shri. Sultan Chand Memorial Scholarship.

(III) Kamaraj Trust Scholarships.

(IV) E.V.R. Nagammai Free Educational scholarship.

Post-metric scholarship scheme

- Under Post metric scholarship scheme, scholarships are sanctioned to Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities students studying Graduate, Post Graduate, Professional and Ph.D. courses.
 - Under the scheme, tuition and special fees are sanctioned as fixed for the Government educational institutions.
 - Examination fee is sanctioned in full and book money as notified in the scholarship notification.
 - In addition to the scholarship amount, boarding and lodging charges are sanctioned to students who are staying in hostels attached to the university.
- Free Education Scheme

Under the Free Education Scholarship (Degree) scheme, students of Scheduled Caste, Scheduled Tribe, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes, and Denotified Communities studying in three-year Degree Courses and two-year PG courses in the university are sanctioned special fees and non-refundable compulsory fees as prescribed by the Government.


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