





Frequently Asked Questions



RELIANCE FOUNDATION
UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY

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Please note: Household income should include only your parents' income.

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11. Am I eligible if I completed a diploma after Class 10?

You are eligible only if you have completed Higher Secondary (Class 12) with a minimum of 60% marks.

12. Am I eligible if I completed Class 12 outside India?

Yes. Students who have completed Class 12 abroad are eligible to apply, provided they meet all the other eligibility criteria.

13. Which undergraduate programmes are eligible?

Students enrolled in any regular, full-time undergraduate degree programme of three or more years are eligible to apply.

14. I was found ineligible during registration, but I believe I meet the eligibility criteria. What should I do?

Please ensure that you meet all the eligibility criteria mentioned during the registration process before applying.

15. Can I apply if I am pursuing an undergraduate degree outside India?

No. Only students pursuing a regular, full-time undergraduate degree programme in India are eligible.

16. What type of students are you looking for?

We are looking for meritorious undergraduate students from across India who demonstrate academic potential, ambition, and the drive to create a positive impact.

Beyond financial support, the scholarship offers opportunities for learning, mentorship, networking, and holistic development, empowering scholars to realise their potential and contribute meaningfully to India's future.

17. Can I apply more than once?

No. You may submit only one application for the scholarship.

18. Do I need to be enrolled in a degree programme before applying?

Yes. You must be enrolled in the first year of a regular, full-time undergraduate degree programme before applying.

REGISTRATION

1. I did not receive the activation email to start my application. What should I do?

To begin your application, you must first complete the registration form on the Reliance Foundation Scholarships website.

Once your registration is submitted, you will receive an email containing a link to the application portal. You can then log in using your registered mobile number and the One-Time Password (OTP) sent to you to begin, complete, and submit your application.

2. I completed the registration form but did not receive the invitation email or OTP. What should I do?

If you have successfully completed the registration form but have not received the invitation email, please check your Spam/Junk folder.

If you still do not receive the email or OTP, please try registering again using a different email address and mobile number.

If the issue persists, write to RF.UGScholarships@reliancefoundation.org with the following details:

- Your name
- Registered email address
- Name of your institution
- Scholarship programme applied for

Our team will assist you.

3. I am pursuing a professional course such as CA or CS. Am I eligible to apply?

Yes. You are eligible to apply only if you are also enrolled in the first year of a regular, full-time undergraduate degree programme (such as B.Com., BBA, or B.Sc.) along with your professional course.

If you are pursuing your professional course online, please enter the details of your regular, full-time undergraduate degree programme in your scholarship application.

TIMINGS AND DEADLINES

1. When is the application deadline?

The deadline to submit your application is 11:59 PM IST on Monday, 5 October 2026.

2. Can I request an extension to the application deadline?

No. Requests for extensions will not be considered. Please ensure that you submit your application before the deadline.

3. When will my application be considered complete?

Your application will be considered complete only after you have:

Submitted your online application form, and

Completed the mandatory Aptitude Test on the date and time slot assigned to you.

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Which email address should I use to create my application?

Please use your personal email address (such as Gmail, Yahoo, Outlook, etc.) to create your application.

We recommend that you do not use your institute or official email address, as institutional firewalls may prevent you from receiving authentication emails and other important communication related to your application.

2. How long does it take to complete the application?

The application form takes approximately 30 minutes to complete.

Before you begin, we recommend that you:

Read the Guidelines to Applicants and these FAQs.

Keep all the required supporting documents ready.

You can save your application at any stage and return to complete it later. You do not need to complete the application in one sitting.

3. My browser crashes when I try to use the application portal. What should I do? Can I submit a paper application instead?

All applications must be submitted through the online application portal. Paper applications will not be accepted.

If you experience browser-related issues:

Clear your browser's cache and cookies.

Ensure you are using the latest version of Google Chrome.

Check that you have a stable internet connection.

Try accessing the portal again.

We also recommend submitting your application well before the deadline to avoid any last-minute technical issues.

4. How will my application be evaluated?

Applications are evaluated using a combination of:

Your Aptitude Test performance.

The academic and personal information provided in your application.

The evaluation process is designed to be rigorous, objective, and fair, ensuring that all applications are assessed consistently against the programme's selection criteria.

5. When will I be informed about the outcome of my application?

All applicants will be informed of the final selection results by the end of December 2026.

6. How will I know if my application has been submitted successfully?

Once you submit your application:

You will receive an automated confirmation email.

A confirmation message with your unique application number will appear on your screen.

You will also be able to download a copy of your application in ZIP format for your records.

7. How can I check if my application is complete before submitting it?

Before submitting your application, the portal will verify that:

All mandatory fields have been completed.

All required supporting documents have been uploaded.

Any incomplete or missing fields will be highlighted in red.

You can also review your application by going to the My Application section and downloading a PDF copy before submitting it.

8. What should I do if I make a mistake in my application?

If you discover an error after submitting your application, please write to RF.UGScholarships@reliancefoundation.org.

We will consider one request only to make corrections to your submitted application. Therefore, please ensure that all required changes are included in a single email.

Do not submit a second application, as multiple applications may lead to disqualification.

9. What is the selection process?

The selection process consists of four stages:

Step 1: Submit the online application form and upload the required supporting documents (such as academic transcripts, household income proof, and disability certificate, if applicable).

Step 2: Complete the mandatory online Aptitude Test.

Step 3: Document verification and evaluation of shortlisted applicants.

Step 4: Final selection.

10. Can I save my application and complete it later?

Yes. You can save your application at any stage and return to complete it later.

To avoid losing any information, please remember to save your application each time before exiting.

11. What happens after I submit my application?

Once you submit your application, you will receive a confirmation email acknowledging receipt of your application. The email will also include the date and time of your assigned Aptitude Test.

Please note that your application will be considered complete only after you have successfully completed the mandatory Aptitude Test.

APTITUDE TEST

1. What is the Scholarship Aptitude Test?

The Scholarship Aptitude Test is a mandatory online, multiple-choice assessment designed to evaluate your aptitude across three areas:

Verbal Ability – Assesses your English language proficiency, including grammar, vocabulary, sentence completion, error spotting, and reading comprehension.

Analytical and Logical Ability – Evaluates your logical reasoning, analytical thinking, and problem-solving skills.

- Numerical Ability – Assesses your quantitative reasoning through topics such as ratios, percentages, number series, and data interpretation.

The test is designed at a level appropriate for students who have completed Class 12 under any recognised education board in India.

Once you have booked your Aptitude Test slot, you will be able to access a mock test to familiarise yourself with the test format and platform before attempting the final assessment.

2. What are the guidelines for taking the Aptitude Test?

The Aptitude Test is an online, remotely proctored assessment that you can take from any location.

Please ensure that you:

Do

- Take the test in full-screen mode.
- Keep your face clearly visible throughout the test.
- Keep your camera and microphone switched on at all times.

- Share your screen before starting the test.
- Take the test independently in a quiet environment.

Don't

- Open any other browser tabs or applications during the test.
- Allow anyone else to be present in the room.
- Ask someone else to take the test on your behalf.
- Have conversations or background noise during the test.

Students with disabilities can indicate the assistance they require while completing the application form. Necessary accommodations will be made during the examination.

3. How do I book my Aptitude Test?

You can select your preferred test date from the available options while submitting your application.

Once your application is submitted, you will receive a confirmation email containing:

- Your allotted test date and time.
- Instructions for completing the system compatibility check.

You can also view your scheduled test date and time in the Application Portal.

A mock test will be available approximately one week before your scheduled test. On the day of your examination, the final test link will become active only during your allotted time slot.

Please note: Your application will be considered complete only after you have successfully completed the Aptitude Test.

4. Can I change my Aptitude Test date or time?

You may reschedule your Aptitude Test once, up to 7 days before your originally scheduled test date.

The revised test date will be assigned by Reliance Foundation and cannot be chosen by the applicant.

5. Can I take the aptitude test in a regional language?

Yes. The aptitude test is available in four regional languages – Hindi, Marathi, Gujarati and Kannada. Please review the available language options before submitting your application and select your preferred language.

6. Can I change the language of the aptitude test after selecting it?

Yes. You can change your preferred test language before starting the aptitude test. Please select your preferred language carefully on the test portal before beginning the test.

7. What happens if I miss my scheduled aptitude test?

You are expected to appear for the aptitude test on your scheduled date and time. Missing the test may affect your candidature, and rescheduling will not be available. Therefore, please ensure that you attend the test as per your scheduled slot.

8. What should I do if none of the available test slots match my schedule?

You can submit your application by selecting any of the available slots. After submitting the application, you can change your test slot through the test portal. An additional date, beyond the two dates initially displayed, will be available for selection. You can select the date that best suits your schedule and proceed with the test.

9. What is the format of the Aptitude Test?

The Aptitude Test consists of 60 multiple-choice questions divided equally across three sections:

Serial No	Particulars	No. of multiple choice Questions	Time (Minutes)	Marks
1.	Verbal Ability	20	20	20
2.	Analytical and Logical Ability	20	20	20
3.	Numerical Ability	20	20	20
TOTAL		60	60*	60

**Students with disabilities will receive an additional 30 minutes, making the total duration 90 minutes.*

10. Do I have to pay a fee to take the Aptitude Test?

No. There is no fee to take the Aptitude Test.

11. Will I get a chance to take a practice test?

Yes. All applicants will have access to a mock test before the final Aptitude Test.

We strongly recommend attempting the mock test to become familiar with the platform and test format before the actual assessment.

12. Are there any accommodations for students with disabilities?

Yes.

Students with disabilities can indicate the support they require while submitting their application. Appropriate accommodations will be provided wherever applicable.

Students with disabilities will also receive 30 additional minutes to complete the Aptitude Test.

13. When will I take the Aptitude Test?

You will have to choose the date and time of the test from the available slots before you submit your application. You can access the link of the aptitude test

You will receive reminder emails before your scheduled test containing instructions as well.

14. What happens if I do not attempt the Aptitude Test?

The Aptitude Test is mandatory.

If you do not complete the test, your application will be considered incomplete and you will not be considered for the scholarship.

15. How will my Aptitude Test score be used?

Your Aptitude Test performance is one of the components used to evaluate your application, along with your academic record and household income.

16. What happens if my computer shuts down or my internet connection is interrupted during the test?

Your responses will be automatically saved.

Once you log back in, you will be able to continue the test from where you left off. However, you must complete the test within the originally allotted time.

17. Can I take the Aptitude Test more than once?

No. You are allowed to attempt the Aptitude Test only once.

Attempting the test more than once will result in disqualification from the scholarship selection process.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. What supporting documents do I need to submit?

You will need to upload the following documents:

- Passport-size photograph
- Proof of permanent address
- Class 10 marksheet
- Class 12 marksheet
- Bonafide Student Certificate issued by your current institution, containing:
 - Your name
 - Institution name
 - Degree programme
 - Year of study
- Family income proof issued by the relevant authority
- Government-issued disability certificate (if applicable)

2. Can I apply if I do not have a passport?

Yes. A passport is not required to apply for the scholarship.

3. When do I need to upload my supporting documents?

All supporting documents must be uploaded in the Documents section of your application before 11:59 PM IST on Monday, 5 October 2026.

4. What proof should I upload if I have received another scholarship or stipend?

You may upload either:

- A scanned copy of the scholarship or stipend receipt, or
- The scholarship award letter or notification if the amount has not yet been disbursed.

Please note that shortlisted applicants may be asked to provide a declaration on the utilisation of scholarship funds.

5. Can I use DigiLocker to upload my documents?

Yes. You can use DigiLocker to securely retrieve and upload eligible documents directly into your application.

6. How do I connect my DigiLocker account?

Go to the Documents section of your application and click "Connect to DigiLocker."

After providing the necessary permissions, you can retrieve:

- Aadhaar Card
- Class 10 marksheet
- Class 12 marksheet

7. Is it mandatory to use DigiLocker?

No. DigiLocker is optional.

You may upload your documents manually if you prefer. However, we recommend using DigiLocker as it enables faster document retrieval and reduces the chances of manual upload errors.

8. What if only some of my documents are available on DigiLocker?

You can retrieve the available documents through DigiLocker and upload the remaining documents manually in the Documents section of your application.

9. My DigiLocker is not working. What should I do?

If you are unable to connect to DigiLocker or experience any technical issues, you can continue your application by manually uploading the required documents.

BANK AND PAN CARD DETAILS**1. When do I need to submit my bank account and PAN details?**

You can submit your bank account and PAN details after you have successfully submitted your scholarship application.

The Bank Account & PAN Details section will become active only after your application has been submitted.

2. What is the deadline for submitting my bank account and PAN details?

The deadline to submit your bank account and PAN details is 18 October 2026.

3. What happens if I do not submit my bank account and PAN details by the deadline?

If you do not submit your bank account and PAN details by the deadline, your application will be considered incomplete, and you may be disqualified from the scholarship selection process.

4. What should I do if I do not have a PAN card?

You must apply for a PAN card and submit your PAN details on the application portal by 18 October 2026.

5. Is an Instant e-PAN accepted?

Yes. A soft copy of a valid Instant e-PAN is accepted.

6. I am below 18 years of age. Do I still need to submit PAN details?

Yes. Submission of PAN details is mandatory for all applicants.

If you are below 18 years of age, you must apply for a Minor PAN Card and submit those details.

7. Do I need to have my own bank account?

Yes. It is mandatory for you to have a bank account in your own name, as the scholarship amount will be transferred directly to your account through NEFT/RTGS.

You will need to upload either:

- A copy of your bank passbook, or
- A personalised cheque leaf.

Please ensure that your bank account is:

- In your name.
- Active and KYC-compliant.
- Not dormant.

Please note: Bank accounts belonging to your parents, guardians, or any other family member will not be accepted.

8. Whose name should the bank account be in?

The bank account must be in your name.

Bank account details belonging to your parents, guardians, or any other family member will not be accepted.

If you are below 18 years of age, you must have a joint bank account with your parent or guardian. However, your name must appear as the primary (first) account holder.

BENEFITS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

1. What non-financial benefits will I receive as a Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholar?

Beyond financial support, the Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships offer a holistic development journey designed to help you realize your full potential.

As a scholar, you will gain access to a range of learning and development opportunities, including:

- Leadership and soft-skills workshops
- Expert interactions and mentoring

- Volunteering opportunities
- Exclusive scholar engagement events

You will also become part of the Reliance Foundation Scholar and Alumni Community, giving you long-term opportunities to network, collaborate, learn from peers, and build meaningful personal and professional connections.

2. Will I have to pay to be part of the Reliance Foundation Scholar and Alumni Community?

No. All Reliance Foundation Scholars automatically become part of the Reliance Foundation Scholar and Alumni Community at no additional cost.

3. What is the scholarship amount?

Selected scholars will receive a scholarship grant of up to ₹2 lakh over the duration of their undergraduate degree programme.

FUNDING

1. What expenses can I use the scholarship for?

The scholarship is awarded as an annual grant. You may use the scholarship amount for academic expenses, including:

- Tuition fees
- Hostel fees
- Laptop purchase
- Academic books
- Educational courses and learning resources

You are not required to submit bills or receipts for these expenses. However, you will be required to submit an Annual Scholar Report along with a Statement of Utilisation, confirming that the scholarship has been used for the intended academic purposes.

2. Can I work while studying?

Yes. There are no restrictions on working while studying under the Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships.

3. **I have already paid my admission deposit. Can I get it reimbursed if I receive the scholarship?**

The scholarship does not provide a separate reimbursement for admission deposits or any other expenses already incurred.

However, if you are selected, you may use the scholarship grant towards your academic expenses, including admission deposits, tuition fees, or other eligible educational expenses.

4. **How will the scholarship amount be paid?**

The scholarship amount will be disbursed once every academic year through direct bank transfer to your registered bank account.

The detailed disbursement schedule will be shared with all selected scholars.

5. **When will the scholarship be awarded?**

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SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL

1. **Are the Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarships renewable?**

Yes. The scholarship is renewable for each year of your undergraduate degree programme, subject to your continued fulfilment of the programme's renewal criteria.

2. **What are the criteria for renewing my scholarship?**

To remain eligible for renewal each year, you must:

- Continue to be enrolled in a regular, full-time undergraduate degree programme.
- Successfully pass all examinations and be promoted to the next academic year.
- Maintain good academic standing.
- Comply with the Terms and Conditions of the scholarship throughout the programme.

Please note that scholarship renewal is subject to meeting these eligibility criteria and submitting the required documents each year.

EXPECTATIONS FROM SCHOLARS

1. What is expected of me if I am selected for the scholarship?

As a selected scholar, you will be expected to:

- Comply with the Terms and Conditions of the scholarship.
- Continue to meet the annual renewal criteria.
- Submit the required reports and documents within the specified timelines.
- Participate in programme engagements and other scholarship-related activities, wherever applicable.

SUPPORT

1. My question is not answered here. How can I get help?

If you have any further questions, you can contact us through any of the following channels:

- WhatsApp: Send "Hi" to 7977 100 100
- Helpline: (011) 4117 1414

