



Frequently Asked Questions about the Postgraduate Scholarships



ELIGIBILITY

1. How do I know I am eligible to apply?

Students must fulfil the following eligibility criteria in order to apply:

1. Be a resident Indian citizen
2. Currently enrolled in a regular full-time postgraduate degree in India from select future-ready courses in Engineering, Technology, Energy & Life Sciences, please visit our website for the complete list.
3. Fulfil the following academic criteria
 1. Students who secured a score of 550- 1,000 in the GATE 2026 Examination
OR
 2. Students who have scored 7.5 or above in their Undergraduate CGPA (or % normalised to CGPA)

2. Which are the eligible institutes?

Students from all institutes in India are eligible to apply, subject to meeting the Scholarship's eligibility criteria.

3. Which students are not eligible to apply?

Students pursuing integrated MTech and PhD, online, distance learning, Part-time Post graduate degree are not eligible to apply for the scholarship. Please see the Appendix for the full list of eligible degree types and programme subjects within select future-ready courses in Engineering, Technology, Energy & Life Sciences.

If your degree programme is not on the list, but you think it may qualify under the eligible subject areas for the scholarship please email us at RF.PGScholarships@reliancefoundation.org along with details of your course and we will get back to you confirming if your programme is eligible or not.

To check and confirm your eligibility, please complete the eligibility questionnaire in our website: www.scholarships.reliancefoundation.org

4. Are students who are pursuing Postgraduate degree programmes outside India, eligible to apply for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships?

No. Students pursuing postgraduate degree programmes outside India are not eligible to apply.

5. I failed the eligibility questionnaire but I believe I am eligible. What can I do?

You must fulfil the eligibility criteria in order to pass the eligibility questionnaire and be able to apply. There are no exceptions for passing the eligibility questionnaire.

6. What type of students are you looking for?

The Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships aim to nurture India's future leaders.

We are looking for candidates who are able to demonstrate excellence (academic and non-academic), leadership potential, integrity, community commitment, growth mind-set, and courage.

Through the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships, Reliance Foundation will select up to 100 students from select future ready courses in Engineering, Technology, Energy & Life Sciences, please visit our website for the complete list.

7. Can I apply for the scholarships more than once?

No, you cannot apply for the scholarships more than once.

8. Do I need to have been accepted into a degree programme before I apply for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships?

Yes, you need to be enrolled - in one of the enlisted eligible degree programmes, to apply for the scholarship.

9. I am a second year PG student pursuing an eligible degree, can I apply to the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate scholarships?

No, students have to be in their first year of their degree to apply for the scholarship.

10. Can married students apply?

Yes, married students can apply if they fulfil the eligibility criteria.

11. Can an OCI or Non-resident Indian (NRI) student apply for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships even if he/she is enrolled in an eligible degree programme, with eligible scores?

No, the scholarship program is only open to Indian citizens currently residing in India (resident Indians).

12. Am I allowed to accept scholarships or awards in conjunction with a Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship?

The Scholarship Program policy will permit academic stipends from other sources such as GATE scholarship of up to a maximum of Rs 15,000 per month during the scholarship period. The student will be mandated to submit an Institute authorized written confirmation of all the scholarships they are receiving.

13. I have previously received a Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship, am I eligible to apply again?

Yes, you can apply for this scholarship if you have received a Reliance Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship before.

14. How do I normalise my score from undergraduate percentage to undergraduate CGPA?

Please use the conversion formula: undergraduate CGPA = undergraduate percentage of marks (%) divided by 9.5. (UG CPGA = UG % / 9.5).

15. I did not receive an activation or invitation email or a password to start the application. How can I retrieve it and log in?

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.

16. I have successfully submitted the eligibility questionnaire, yet haven't received the invitation email and OTP number on my registered mobile.

If you successfully filled the questionnaire, yet did not receive the invitation email with your login credentials and OTP, please check your email spam box, in case the invitation email and OTP landed there. Alternatively, we request that you try once more using a different email ID. If you are still encountering the same issue, please email us to RF.PGScholarships@reliancefoundation.org with your name, email id entered, name of the institute you are enrolled in, and the scholarship you applied for, and we will get back to you.

- 17. I am pursuing Computer Sciences/ Artificial Intelligence/ Mathematics and Computing/ Electrical & Electronics/Mechanical Engineering/Chemical Engineering/ Renewable & New Energy/ Material Science and Engineering/ Life Sciences as part of my degree programme but it's not part of the eligible programmes list. Am I eligible to apply for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate scholarships?**

Your main degree programme must be from select future ready courses in Engineering, Technology, Energy & Life Sciences, please visit our website for the complete list.

If your degree programme is not on the but you think it may qualify under the eligible subject areas for the scholarship: Computer Sciences/ Artificial Intelligence/ Mathematics & Computing/ Electrical & Electronics Engineering/Mechanical Engineering/Chemical Engineering/ Renewable Energy/ Material Science and Engineering/ Life Sciences, please email us at RF.PGScholarships@reliancefoundation.org and we will get back to you confirming if your programme is eligible or not. Please fill out the eligibility questionnaire in our website to check whether you are eligible: www.scholarships.reliancefoundation.org

- 18. Can I apply for a Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship using a deferred university offer?**

No, only students currently enrolled in the first year of an eligible postgraduate degree programme can apply.

- 19. Can I apply for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship if I have not taken the GATE exam?**

Yes. Applicants who have not taken the GATE examination can apply using their undergraduate CGPA, provided it is 7.5 or above (or the equivalent undergraduate percentage converted to CGPA). If your undergraduate institution awards percentage marks instead of CGPA, you may use the following conversion formula:

$$\text{CGPA} = \text{Percentage of Marks} \div 9.5$$

Your application will be evaluated based on your undergraduate academic performance in place of the GATE score.

- 20. Is there a family income barrier for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship?**

There is no family income barrier for the scholarship. All students who meet the eligibility criteria on our website are encouraged to apply.

TIMINGS AND DEADLINES

1. When is the deadline to submit my application?

The deadline for all applications is 11.59pm IST on Monday the 5th October 2026.

2. When is the deadline to submit my reference letters?

The deadline for referees to submit their references online is one week after the application deadline, 11.59pm IST on Monday, the 12th October 2026.

3. Can I have an extension to my application?

No, we will not grant any exceptions to the scholarship application deadline.

4. When will my application be considered complete?

Completeness of application consists of submitting the application form and completing the aptitude test on the date and time slot assigned by the system.

APPLICATION

1. Which email ID should I use (personal email ID/institute email ID) to create my application?

We request all applicants to use their personal email IDs for creation of login credentials, as firewalls may be enabled on your institute/ official email id, which may prevent authentication and other emails regarding the application process, from reaching you.

2. How long will it take me to complete the application?

The application form typically takes 2–3 hours to complete. Before you begin, we recommend reading the Guidelines to Applicants and FAQs, and keeping all the required supporting documents ready.

As part of the application, you will also need to:

- Submit two reference letters (we recommend giving your referees at least two weeks to complete these).
- Write two short essays.

You can save your progress and return later, so you do not need to complete the application in a single sitting.

3. What types of work experience are accepted?

Accepted work experience includes full-time employment, part-time employment, voluntary work, and paid or unpaid internships. The experience may have been gained before, during, or after your undergraduate studies.

4. What type of Community/Service Work are accepted?

Community/service work with an NGO/ grassroots organization as a part of your school or college volunteering group/ National Service Scheme and other such contributions to the community are acceptable.

5. What if my work experience is not related to the degree programme I want to study?

We accept work experience from any field. Similarly, we accept and value any meaningful community and service work and contribution. If your postgraduate degree programme choices are not related to your work experience or social work, you may want to explain why you are seeking to make a career change in your essays. Explore the transferrable skills you have gained, and how they will help you in your studies and with your future career goals.

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8. My internet browser crashes when I try to use the Scholarship application platform. What do I do? Can I submit a paper copy?

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.

9. How is the application scored and who scores it?

Applications are evaluated by an expert panel comprising academic and industry professionals with expertise in technical disciplines, leadership, and soft skills. Applications are assessed against the scholarship's selection criteria and values through a robust evaluation process that adheres to the highest standards of fairness and neutrality. Please note that plagiarism detection software is used to identify academic dishonesty and ensure the originality and authenticity of all applications.

10. When will I be notified about the status of my application?

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

11. How do I know that my application has been received?

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.

12. How do I know if my application is complete?

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.

13. What if I made a mistake in my application form?

If you have made a mistake, unfortunately you cannot resubmit your application. You can withdraw the application and submit a new application with a different email id.

14. Is there a word limit for the essays?

There is a character limit of 4,000 characters for each essay.

15. How are the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholars selected?

The Reliance Foundation Scholarships will identify and select the best and brightest students in India through a rigorous and competitive selection process. We welcome applicants from all socio-economic backgrounds and scholarships will be granted on the basis of merit. Additional consideration may also be given to applicants from underprivileged sections of society and students with disabilities.

16. Could you throw some light on the overall selection process?

The selection will be a two-step process, with each step being an elimination round:

- Step 1: Screening and shortlisting of applications along with document verification
- Step 2: Virtual interview of shortlisted candidates

The selection process consists of five stages:

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

Step 2: Complete the mandatory online Aptitude Test.

Step 3: Document verification and evaluation of shortlisted applicants.

Step 4: Virtual Interview of shortlisted candidates

Step 5: Final selection

17. Can we fill the forms and save them partly and complete them gradually or do we need to fill everything in one go?

Yes, you can fill the application form in parts. However, you will need to save your application every time to ensure that your inputs are not lost.

18. What happens next once I have submitted the application form?

Once you have submitted the application form, you will receive a confirmation email informing you that we have received your application, including the date/time of your exam and instructions on performing a system compatibility check. You will find the final exam unique link and a unique link to perform a practice test (optional but recommended) one week before the final test on the portal. Your application will be considered complete only when you have completed the final 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.

3. Can I change the date / time of my aptitude test?

You may reschedule your Aptitude Test once, up to 10 days before your originally scheduled test date.

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

4. What is the format and content 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.*

6. Do I have to pay a fee to take the aptitude test?

There is no fee payable for taking the aptitude test.

7. Will applicants get a chance to attempt a practice aptitude test, before taking the final 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.

8. Are there any special arrangements for students with disabilities taking the aptitude test?

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.

9. When do I have to attempt 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 through the portal

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

10. What will happen 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.

11. How will my aptitude test scores be used?

The aptitude test will be one of the components of holistic evaluation of the candidate, along with past academic record, extra-curricular activities, reference letters and essays.

12. What will happen if my computer shuts down due to power failure/internet disruption while attempting the aptitude 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.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. What are the mandatory supporting documents for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships?

- Passport Size Photograph
- Address Proof (permanent address))
- Current Resume
- Marksheet of 10th Class Board Examination
- Marksheet of 12th Class Board Examination

- Bona fide Student Certificate of current college/ institution of enrolment or fee receipt.. Document should contain student's name, institute's name, degree programme name & academic year of admission. In case you do not have a single document that contains all the above fields, you may combine 2 or more documents which will display the required information.
- 2 Reference Letters: 1 academic and 1 character
- Experience certificate/ letter/s from work experience/ internships (if applicable)
- Official Disability Certificate (if applicable)
- Marksheet of GATE Entrance Examination (if applicable)

2. What documents can we provide as proof of enrolment?

You can apply using your college enrolment letter as a proof of your college. You can also provide your college fee receipt as an alternative to your enrolment letter. The document you are submitting must contain - Candidate's name, Institute name, academic year of admission, name of the degree programme.

3. Can I apply if I don't have a valid passport?

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

4. When do I have to upload all my supporting documents?

You have to upload all the supporting documents on the Supporting documents tab, along with the application form within the application deadline, 11.59pm IST on Monday the 5th October 2026.

Applicants are required to declare any scholarships, stipends, fee waivers, or other financial benefits they are receiving from other sources. The Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarship permits academic-related stipends from other sources of up to ₹15,000 per month during the scholarship period.

No supporting documents are required at the application stage. However, if you are selected for the scholarship, you will be required to submit a document issued by your institute confirming the scholarships, stipends, fee waivers, or other financial aid you are receiving when raising your first scholarship claim.

6. Do I need to submit proof of work experience, extra-curricular, and community work activities?

In instances where you mention work experience, including internships, you will need to provide supporting documents. You may submit a letter of experience/ employment/ appointment, or a certificate of experience/ employment/ appointment. For extra-curricular activities, community/ social work, awards, and publications, you do not need to provide supporting documents.

REFERENCE LETTERS

1. How do I submit reference letters in support of my application?

You must register your referees on the application portal so that they can upload their recommendation letters directly into the application. Once you input each referee's information in the table and save it, an email will be triggered to them with a link to upload their letter. We recommend that you give referees at least 2-3 weeks to complete and upload the recommendation letters. Referees will be able to access the Guidance to Referees within the Referee Portal. The deadline for referees to submit their references through the online portal is one week after the application deadline. It is your responsibility to ensure that referees submit their references online by the reference deadline, 11.59pm IST on Monday, the 11th October 2026.

2. What is an academic reference/ letter?

The academic reference should be from an academic who can comment in detail on your academic ability and how well they think you would do at the university you are applying to. They should have formally taught and graded you in your undergraduate or high school (or, if relevant, postgraduate) studies.

3. What is a character reference/ letter?

The character reference should testify to your character and/or your involvement in extracurricular/ service or leadership activities. These referees should be persons who are able to speak in detail to your character and comment critically on whether your extra-curricular, non-academic requirements and leadership traits are aligned with the scholarship's criteria. The character referees need not necessarily be affiliated to your current university.

4. Who should my reference letters be addressed to?

Referees may address their letters to the Scholarships Evaluation Committee. Please refer to the Guidance to Applicants and Guidance to Referees documents for more details.

5. My referees are not competent in the English language. Can they submit the reference in their native language?

We only accept reference letters in English.

6. Can I change the references listed in my application?

If you need to exclude a referee from your referee list, there is an option to do so by selecting the exclude option. If you exclude any referees, any letters they submit will not be reviewed and evaluated by our panelists. Once you exclude a referee, you may add another one in their place. Referees will have one week longer to submit their references after the application deadline. Please ensure that you submit 2 reference letters, 1 academic and 1 character, by the reference deadline, 11.59pm IST on Monday, the 11th October 2026. You may exclude and re-add another referee up to the reference deadline on 11th October 2026.

7. Do my reference letters need to be written on official letterhead?

The reference letter needs to be signed and should be either stamped or on the official letterhead of the institute/organisation. You will need to provide a referee that has access to an institute stamp/letterhead.

8. What should be included in my reference letters?

You must ensure to submit 2 letters by identified referees in order for your application to be considered complete: one academic and one character letter. The academic reference letter comments on your academic ability and the character letter testifies your character and/or involvement in extracurricular/service or leadership activities. Please refer to the Guidance to Applicants document for further details.

9. Can I write the reference on behalf of my referee if they don't have time to do it?

No, you cannot write the reference on behalf of your referee. Please provide your referee with at least 2 weeks to complete your letters so that they are not pressed for time. It is your responsibility, to ensure that referees submit your letters, before the reference letter submission deadline.

10. Who should write the reference letters?

Choose referees who know you well and can provide meaningful insights into your academic abilities, professional potential, and personal qualities. Referees should not be personal friends, peers, or relatives. Select individuals who are familiar with your work and are likely to submit a thoughtful and detailed recommendation, as their references form an important part of your application.

While a referee with a strong reputation in their field can be valuable, it is more important to choose someone who has closely observed your work and character. We also recommend including a mix of internal (academic) and external (professional) referees, where possible, to reflect the breadth of your experiences. Referees from your workplace or internship are also acceptable, provided they know your work well.

11. Who can write my academic reference letter? Who can write my character reference letter?

Please see the guidance table on the types of people who we recommend should write your academic and character reference letters.

Valid Academic Referee (Someone who has directly taught the applicant)	Valid Character Referee (Someone who has supervised or closely observed the applicant)	Invalid Referee
• UG / PG University Teacher • GATE Coaching Institute Teacher (should not be blood relative / family member of applicant)	• High school/ UG/ PG Teacher • Sports /Extra-curricular Activities Supervisor • Internship/Job Supervisor • Voluntary Activity Supervisor (should not be blood relative / family member of applicant)	• Family Member • Senior or Fellow Students • Person of Eminence who does not know the applicant • Employees of Reliance Foundation

Please note that Referees must be currently part of an organization and have access to their current institute letterhead/stamp.

12. What if my Referee has changed colleges since my graduation? Can I still ask him to refer me?

Referees who have moved on from previous positions are still valid as referees. You can put “ex- “or “former- “as their designation. E.g., “Former-professor” or “ex-supervisor”. And you can also put their former institutions where he/she taught. Your referees must have access to their current institute letterhead/stamp.

INTERVIEWS

1. What questions will be asked during the interview?

The interview will be an opportunity for us to delve deeper into some of the information you provided in your application. The panel will ask questions that will enable you to further explain how the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships, will facilitate your career goals, elucidate your passion towards your chosen area of study and how it aligns with your future goals. The interview will also explore how you, your actions to-date and future aspirations reflect Reliance Foundation Scholarships values of Excellence, Leadership Potential, Integrity, Community Commitment, Growth Mind-set and Courage.

2. How will the interview be conducted?

The interviews will be conducted virtually over a video call.

3. What will be the duration of the interviews?

Interviews will last for approximately half an hour.

4. How will the interview be assessed?

Interviews are conducted by an independent panel of external experts. The panel comprises a combination of academic and industry professionals with extensive experience in technical disciplines, leadership, and the assessment of soft skills.

Candidates are evaluated against the scholarship's selection criteria through a robust interview process that adheres to the highest standards of fairness, neutrality, and consistency.

Interviews will be conducted virtually via a video conferencing platform. Applicants shortlisted for the interview stage will receive detailed instructions and scheduling information in due course.

6. Do I need to have any documents with me for the interview?

No, you do not have to have any documents with you for the interview.

7. Will the interview be conducted in English?

All interviews will be conducted in English. If you would like to make a special request for an interview in Hindi please email us along with a justification. We will review and try to accommodate on a case- by-case basis.

8. Do I have to prepare a presentation for the interview?

No, you don't have to prepare a presentation for the interview.

9. Will there be any technical questions asked in the interview?

We will be holding an exclusive webinar session for shortlisted students, to give them more tips on how to prepare. We will include communication techniques as well as the types of questions to prepare.

10. When will the interviews be conducted (tentative Month)?

The interviews will be conducted in November – December 2026.

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

1. What are the non- financial benefits that I will get with Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships?

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. If accepted, will I need to pay to be part of the Alumni network?

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?

The total amount of scholarship available over the duration of the degree programme will be up to Rs/ INR 6 Lakhs

FUNDING

1. What costs do the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships cover?

The scholarship will be contingent on utilization of the scholarship funds for tuition fees and other academic related expenses.

2. Can I work whilst studying?

There are no scholarship restrictions on studying while working. Please disclose details of any current jobs, in the work experience section of the application.

3. What if I have paid a deposit to secure my place in the university I am attending? Can I get that reimbursed if I receive the scholarship?

If you are selected for the scholarship, you may use the funds to pay for your academic tuition, including any deposits you may have already paid.

4. How are the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate scholarships paid?

By direct transfer into students' bank accounts.

FURTHER QUESTIONS

1. **What is required of selected Reliance Foundation Postgraduate scholars to maintain year-on- year eligibility?**

The disbursement of subsequent year's scholarship funds will be contingent on scholar meeting the following academic requirements. Satisfactory documentation must be provided to Reliance Foundation for these requirements on a yearly basis.

- Full time enrolment in a postgraduate programme in one of the eligible degree programme subjects.
- Maintain good academic standing (defined as a GPA of 7.5, on a 10.0 scale, or equivalent).
- Comply with the requirements set forth in Terms & Condition of the Scholarship Award, which are signed by scholars upon Scholarship acceptance.

2. **When will the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships be awarded?**

Scholarship funds will be awarded annually. 80% of the scholarship funds will be awarded in advance at the start of the academic year for direct academic expenses including tuition fees. The remaining 20% will be awarded upon request for professional development purposes, including conference attendance in actual with the supporting i.e. receipts, participation certificate. The final disbursement plan will be communicated to selected scholars.

3. **Are the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships renewable?**

The Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships are renewed every degree programme year. Please note that scholars will need to maintain and provide evidence of certain academic standards, in order to be eligible to renew their scholarship, each consecutive year.

4. **My question can't be answered here. How can I get help?**

If we haven't been able to answer your question, please reach out to us through email at: RF.PGScholarships@reliancefoundation.org

5. **What is expected of me if I get selected for the Reliance Foundation Postgraduate Scholarships?**

As a selected scholar, you will be expected to:

- Comply with the Terms and Conditions of the scholarship.

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APPENDIX

Eligible Postgraduate Degree Programme Types

- Master of Engineering
- Master of Science (by Research) (M. Sc.)
- Master of Science (M. Sc.)
- Master of Technology (by Research) (M. Tech.)
- Master of Technology (M. Tech)
- Master of Computer Applications (MCA)
- Master of Pharmacy (M. Pharm)

Eligible Degree Programme Subjects

Postgraduate degree programme subjects falling within the fields of Artificial Intelligence, Computer Sciences, Mathematics & Computing, Electrical and/or Electronics Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Renewable & New Energy, Material Science & Engineering and Life Sciences are eligible.

- Aeronautical Engineering
- Aerospace Engineering
- Agricultural Biotechnology
- Agricultural Science
- Applied Mathematics and Computing
- Applied Mechanics
- Applied Statistics and Data Analytics
- Artificial Intelligence
- Artificial Intelligence TA / self sponsored
- Artificial Intelligence and Data Science
- Automobile Engineering
- Big Data and Data Analytics
- Biochemical Engineering
- Biochemical Engineering
- Biochemistry
- Bioengineering
- Bioethics
- Bioinformatics
- Biomechanical Engineering
- Biomechanical Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biomedical Instrumentation
- Bioprocess Engineering/Technology
- Bio-sciences
- Biosystems Engineering
- Bio-technology

- Biotherapeutics
- Cell and Molecular biology
- Chemical Technology
- Cloud Computing
- Communication Engineering
- Communication Engineering and Networks
- Communication Systems
- Communication Systems and Signal Processing
- Computational and Data Science
- Computer and Communication Engineering
- Computer Applications
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Computer Science and Automation
- Computer Science and Data Processing
- Computer Science and Engineering - Artificial Intelligence
- Computer Science and Engineering - Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning
- Computer Science and Engineering – Information Security
- Computer Science and Engineering (CSE)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Cyber Security)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Information Security)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Machine Learning)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Spl. in Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Spl. in Big Data Analytics)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Spl. in Cyber Physical Systems)
- Computer Science and Engineering (Spl. In Information Security)

- Computer Science and Information Security
- Computer Science and Technology
- Computer Sciences
- Computer Technology
- Control and Automation
- Corrosion Science
- Cyber Security
- Cyber Security Systems and Networks
- Dairy Engineering/Technology
- Data Analytics
- Data Science
- Data Science (flexible 3-4 year for self-sponsored only)
- Data Science and Engineering
- Design Engineering
- Digital Electronics and Communication
- Electrical & Electronics Engineering
- Electrical & Mechanical Engineering
- Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Electrical and Electronics Engineering
- Electrical and Instrumentation Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Electro-chemical Engineering
- Electronic System Design
- Electronics and Communication Engineering
- Electronics and Computer Engineering
- Electronics and Electrical Communication Engineering

- Electronics and Instrumentation Engineering
- Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering
- Electronics System Engineering
- Embedded Systems
- Embedded Systems Technology
- Energy Systems & Management
- Environmental Science/&Technology
- Food Engineering & Technology
- Food Processing Engineering
- Genetics
- Green Technology
- Industrial Biotechnology
- Industrial Engineering
- Industrial Mathematics and Scientific Computing
- Information and Communications Technology
- Information Security
- Information Technology
- Instrumentation & Signal Processing Engineering
- Instrumentation Engineering
- Instrumentation Engineering /Control System Engineering
- Integrated Electronics and Circuits
- Life Science/Veterinary/Animal Science
- Life Sciences (Botany)
- Life Sciences (Zoology)
- Machine Engineering
- Manufacturing Engineering

- Manufacturing Technology
- Marine Engineering
- Material Science and Technology
- Materials and Energy Engineering
- Materials Engineering
- Materials Science
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mathematics & Computing
- Mathematics and Computing
- Mathematics and Scientific Computing
- Mechanical Engineering with Specialization in Renewable Energy
- Mechatronics
- Mechatronics & Automation Engg
- Mechatronics and Robotics
- Medical Electronics/Engineering
- Metallurgical and Materials Science
- Microbiology
- Microelectronics
- Microwave and Radar Engineering
- Nano Science & Technology
- Networks and Information Security
- Petro-chemical Engg
- Petroleum Engineering/Technology
- Petroleum Refinery Engineering
- Pharmaceutical Sciences / Pharmacy
- Pharmaceuticals Chemistry & Technology

- Pharmacology
- Physiology
- Polymer Engineering/Technology
- Polymer Science & Chemical Technology
- Polymer Science and Technology
- Power Electronics
- Power Electronics & Drives
- Power Electronics, Electrical Machines and Drives
- Power Systems
- Power Systems and Renewable Energy
- Process Engineering
- Production Engineering
- Regenerative Medicine
- Renewable Energy and Energy Audit
- Renewable Energy and Grid Interface Technologies
- Renewable Energy Science and Technology
- Robotics and Automation
- Signal & Image Processing
- Signal Processing
- Signal Processing and Machine Learning
- Software Engineering
- Solar & Alternative Technology
- Solar Energy
- Solid State Materials
- Steel Technology
- Stem Cell Engineering & Technology

- Telecommunication
- Thermal Engineering
- Thermal Science and Engineering
- Toxicology
- Vehicle Engineering
- VLSI Design
- VLSI Design & Embedded Systems
- VLSI System
- VLSI Technology
- Wireless & Mobile Communication Systems
- Wireless & Optical Communication
- Wireless Networks & Applications

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