



# RAJAGIRI VISWAJYOTHI

## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND APPLIED SCIENCES

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### SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

At RVCAS, our mission is to create a dynamic learning environment that empowers students to reach their academic and personal aspirations. We are committed to educational excellence and ensuring that every deserving student receives the support they need to succeed. The RVCAS Scholarship Policy reflects our dedication to assisting students from diverse backgrounds. This program aims to eliminate financial barriers, promote diversity, and recognize exceptional achievements.

#### Objectives:

1. Our goal is to acknowledge and support **outstanding academic performance** by awarding scholarships to students who consistently excel in their studies. This initiative fosters a culture of academic achievement throughout the College.
2. We aim to **minimalize the financial challenges** that students and their families may encounter in pursuing higher education. By providing need-based scholarships, we ensure that deserving students, regardless of their financial circumstances, can access the educational opportunities offered by the College.
3. Aims to foster a more inclusive and equitable learning environment at RVCAS, ensuring that all students **have equal access to educational opportunities** and support regardless of their background or circumstances.

#### Implementation:

RVCAS actively assists students from socially and economically disadvantaged backgrounds by facilitating access to scholarships and grants offered by state and central governments. We inform students about available opportunities through circulars and provide guidance throughout the application process, especially with respect to eligibility criteria and award amounts that are subject to updates from the relevant authorities. Below is a list of scholarship schemes supported by our institution.

## GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIPS

### 1. Kerala State Higher Education Council Scholarship (HECS)

First Year Degree students of Science, Humanities, Social Sciences and Business Studies can apply for this scholarship. Applications should be submitted directly in the web link: [www.kshec.kerala.gov.in](http://www.kshec.kerala.gov.in).

The minimum qualification for ST students is all pass.

- For SC students 55 to 60 percent as per the concerned subjects.
- For Physically Challenged students 45 percent.
- For BPL/ OBC categories 55 to 65 percent and for General category 60 to 75 percent.
- The scholarship amount is Rs 12000 for first year, Rs 18000 for the second year and Rs 24000 for the third year. If the student goes for PG, the amount is Rs 40000 for the first year and Rs 60000 for the second year.

For details refer the website:

[http://dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in/hescholarship/he\\_ma/he\\_maindx.php](http://dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in/hescholarship/he_ma/he_maindx.php)

### 2. State Merit Scholarship (SMS)

First Year UG and PG students who have scored 50 percent or above for the qualifying examination can apply for this scholarship. Family annual income should not exceed Rs 1 Lakh. The amount for graduate students is Rs 1250 per annum and for post graduate students is Rs 1500 per annum. For details refer the website <http://www.dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in>

### 3. Merit Scholarship to the Children of School Teachers (MSCT)

First year UG students who are children of primary and secondary school teachers can avail this scholarship of an amount of Rs 50 per month.

For details refer the website: <http://www.dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in>

### 4. Hindi Scholarship (HS)

First year UG and PG students who have taken Hindi as a sub subject in UG and main subject in PG are eligible to apply. The scholarship amount is Rs 500 per month for UG students and Rs 1000 per month for PG students.

For details refer the website: <http://www.dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in>

### 5. Muslim Nadar Girls Scholarship (MNS)

First year UG girl students belonging to BPL family and backward community are eligible to apply for this scholarship which amounts to Rs 125 per annum.

For details refer the website <http://www.dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in>

**6. Sanskrit Scholarship (SSE)**

First year UG and PG students who are studying Sanskrit as main or sub subject can apply for this scholarship amounting to Rs 200 per month for UG and PG students. For details refer the website:

<http://www.dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in>

**7. Suvarna Jubilee Merit Scholarship (SJMS):**

First year UG and PG students belonging to BPL family and having scored 50 percent or above in the qualifying examination can apply for this scholarship amounting to Rs 10000 per annum. For details refer the website

<http://www.dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in>

**8. C.H. Muhammedkoya Scholarship (CHMS)**

Girl students of UG and PG courses belonging to Muslim, Latin and Converted Christian community of Kerala are eligible to apply. They should have scored 50 percent or above for the qualifying examination and the annual family income of parents should not exceed Rs 8 lakhs. The scholarship amount is Rs 5000 pa for UG students and Rs 6000 per annum for PG students.

For details refer the website:

[http://dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in/dmw/dmw\\_ma/dmw\\_ind.php#dialo.in](http://dcescholarship.kerala.gov.in/dmw/dmw_ma/dmw_ind.php#dialo.in)

**9. SNEHAPOORVAM scholarship of Kerala Social Security Mission**

Scholarship given to students whose parents have passed away and are living with their relatives, friends or with the help and support of the community. The amount of the scholarship is Rs 10000 per annum for 3 years for UG students and same amount for PG students for 2 years.

For details refer the website:

<http://socialsecuritymission.gov.in/index.php/snehapoorvam.in>

**10. Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation (KSBCDC) Scholarship**

Given to economically backward OBC students whose parents' annual income should not exceed Rs 120000. The amount of the scholarship is Rs 5000 per annum for UG students for 3 years and the same for PG students for 2 years.

**11. PG Merit Scholarship For University Rank Holders**

Given to UG rank holders in order to pursue their PG. The university should issue rank certificates to the toppers of the university in B.A., B.Sc., and B.Com.

For details refer the website <https://scholarships.gov.in/>

## **12. PG Indira Gandhi Scholarship for Single Girl Child**

Any single girl child, being the only child of her parents, is eligible to apply for the PG scholarship scheme during the first year of her admission to PG. The age of the girl student should not exceed 30 years at the time of admission. The scholarship amount is Rs. 2,000/- per month for a period of two years only (10 months in the year) i.e. full duration of a PG course.

For details refer the website: <https://scholarships.gov.in/>

## **13. Post Metric Scholarship (PMS)**

Scholarship given to students belonging to economically weaker sections of minority community (Muslims & Christians). The student must have secured 50% or equivalent grade in the previous final examination and the annual income of the parents/guardian from all sources should not exceed Rs. 2 lakhs. The scholarship amount is Rs. 3000 per annum for UG and PG students and maintenance allowance of Rs. 570/- per month for Hostellers & Rs. 300/- per month for Day Scholars. For details refer the website <https://scholarships.gov.in>

## **14. Central Sector Scholarship (CSS)**

For availing this scholarship the applicant should have passed the Senior School SCHOLARSHIPS AND FREESHIP POLICY 79 Certificate Examination conducted by CBSE by securing a total aggregate mark of 418/500 in Science, 396/500 in Commerce and 332/500 in other subjects (for all categories: SC/ST/OBC/UR). Annual income of the parents/guardian from all sources should not exceed Rs. 4.50 lakhs. The Scholarship Amount is Rs 1000/- per month for UG and Rs 2000 per month for PG students. For details refer the website: <https://scholarships.gov.in>

## INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND FREESHIPS:

The college provides fee concessions, fee waivers, and free books to needy students in all courses. The procedure for availing these benefits is as follows:

1. **Institutional Scholarships and Free-ships:** The college offer institutional scholarships and free-ships, including fee concessions, fee waivers, and free books, to needy students across all courses.
2. **Application Submission:** Students must submit their applications in a prescribed format to the Principal through the proper channel.
3. **Review Process:** The applications are reviewed based on academic performance and economic background by the College Council, which then makes recommendations.
4. **Application Timeline:**
  - **Continuing Students:** Applications are typically submitted during February/March.
  - **First-Year Students:** Applications are usually submitted during June/July.
5. **Coverage:** Free-ships cover tuition fees only. Other fees are the responsibility of the beneficiary.

## SCHOLARSHIPS:

The college instituted Scholarships / Endowments for the academically excellent students from all the batches and courses. It aims to enhance both academic and co-curricular engagement among students, ensuring they remain focused and on track with their educational goals.

The main **scholarship** offered by the institution are:

- ✓ **RVCAS Talent Scholarship:** Preference is given to students who excel in academic or co-curricular activities and are not recipients of any other scholarships from the government or NGOs. Each Head of Department (HoD) will provide the academic and co-curricular data of the students. After due consideration, suitable candidates are awarded the scholarships. A total of 100 students will receive this scholarship each year.

✓ **Endowment Scholarships:** The College also arranges endowment scholarships at the institutional level to motivate students and strengthen academic growth. The policy framework for the implementation and disbursement of these scholarships is as follows:

i) **Eligibility:** Students who are overall semester toppers of their batch.

ii) **Identification Process:** The names of students who are batch toppers and subject toppers must be identified by the respective Heads of Departments after the results are published. This information is then submitted to the Staff Council Secretary.

iii) **Scope:** The scholarships are applicable only to the batches and courses running during the respective academic year.

iv) **Determination of Highest Marks:** The highest mark is calculated based on the final marks obtained in the subject, which includes both External and Internal marks.

v) **In Case of a Tie:** If there is a tie, the student with higher Internal marks will be selected for the scholarship. If the Internal marks are also identical, the prize money will be shared among all students with equal marks.

vi) **Final Decision:** The decision of the College Council is final in determining the list of students eligible for the scholarships.

vii) **Disbursement of Scholarships:** After the list is published, the College Council will fix a suitable date, time, and venue for disbursing the scholarships.

viii) **Revision of Cash Incentive:** The amount of the cash incentive will be revised by the relevant authorities from time to time.

ix) **Policy Amendments:** The College Council reserves the right to make amendments to this policy as necessary.

**Following are the various scholarships offered by the institution:**

- a) St. Chavara Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in Education
- b) Fr. Jose Padayatty Memorial Scholarship for Best Outgoing student of the year
- c) Fr. Poorookkara Memorial Scholarship for Excellence in University level competitions
- d) Fr. Palakkal Memorial Scholarship for All Round Excellence in Sports and Arts
- e) Sahrudaya Services and Charities Scholarship on Merit cum Means basis

**Following are the various Endowment prizes offered by the institution:**

- a) Alumnus Award for Upcoming Leaders of RVCAS
- b) RVCAS all-rounder Award
- c) Community Service Award for those students who actively involved in various community services.
- d) RVCAS Talent Award for those who showcase exceptional talent in Arts, Music or other Creative Talents.

**The college provide assistance to students in the form of various concessions to deserving students as a gesture of support and encouragement towards their academic growth. The following are the list of concessions offered by the college:**

- a) College bus fare waiver
- b) Uniform rate concession
- c) Free Mid-day meal
- d) Hostel fees Concession

**Note: Eligible students can avail the scholarships, freships and concessions offered by the college subject to the eligibility criteria set by the College's scholarship Committee.**

## SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

- **Purpose:**

The Scholarship Committee at RVCAS is established to administer the scholarship policy of the college, select deserving candidates and ensure equitable treatment for all students. The committee also responsible for the utilization of scholarship fund and periodically review and assess the policy document of the college.

- **The committee constituted with the following members:**

Chairperson	: Prof. Dr. Devasia M. D (Principal)
Vice Chairperson	: Rev.Fr. Dipin Karingen CMI (Associate Director)
Members	: Ms. Anju Antony (Head, Dept. of Commerce)
	: Ms. Karthika Balachandran (Head, Dept. of Business Administration)
	: Ms. Sridevi S. (Head, Dept. of Psychology)
	: Ms. Rengini D. (Head, Dept. of Computer Applications)
	: Ms. Pushpa Gopakumar (Senior Accountant)