

UCP Scholarships Policy – Fall 2025

Introduction:

University of Central Punjab (UCP) recognizes students at all levels of their educational journey. The available scholarships aim to support deserving students and provide a holistic educational experience by acknowledging merit, need, and talent.

Scope and Intent:

This policy addresses fifteen forms of scholarships that shall be offered to the students of UCP:

1. Scholarship for Punjab Group of Colleges (PGC) Students
2. Alumni Scholarship for MBA/MS/M.Phil. Programs
3. Merit-Based Scholarship for Undergraduate and Graduate Programs
4. Need-Based Scholarship (Only for undergraduate programs)
5. Scholarship for Specially-Abled Students
6. Talent-Based Scholarship
7. Sports-Based Scholarship
8. Legacy Scholarship
9. Scholarship for Gilgit-Baltistan Students
10. Educator Advancement Programs
11. Scholarship for Media Professionals
12. Scholarship for Engineering Professionals
13. Post Graduate Fellowship Program
14. Scholarship for Students with Deceased Parent/Guardian (SSDP)

The policies defined in this document apply to all students at the University of Central Punjab (UCP) and departments with effect from Fall 2025.

1. Scholarship for PGC Students

Being a part of the Punjab Group, UCP encourages the students who have been part of the group for the former part of their student journey. The details to acquire the scholarship are as follows:

A scholarship of 50% will be awarded for students taking admission in the following faculties:

- **Faculty of Engineering**
- **Faculty of Information Technology & Computer Science**
- **Faculty of Management Studies**
- **Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences**
- **Faculty of Media & Mass Communication**
- **Faculty of Science & Technology**
- **Faculty of Languages & Literature:**

After the 1st year the following CGPA is required for the continuation of the scholarship:

Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
50%	3.00 or above

25%	From 2.00 to 3.00
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A scholarship of 25% will be awarded for students taking admission in the following faculties:

- **Faculty of Law**
- **Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences:**

After the 1st year the following CGPA is required for the continuation of the scholarship:

Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
25% for LL.B	2.00 or above
25% for Pharm-D	2.50 or above

- All PGC students will be granted a scholarship of 25% or 50%, depending on the program they are taking admission in
- PGC scholarship is only valid for those students whose last degree/qualification was from PGC
- They shall be assessed to retain the scholarship based on the above-mentioned CGPA criteria after completing the second semester
- The student must complete a minimum of 24 credit hours in two consecutive semesters/1st academic year
- After the first semester, the faculty/dean shall review the performance of those availing the PGC scholarship. In case of identification of struggling students, the dean shall notify the students of their performance as a warning to be able to work towards improvement in the coming semester
- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT). It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

2. Alumni Scholarship for MBA and MS/M.Phil. Programs

UCP offers graduate scholarships to its alumni to encourage their further studies. Students shall avail the alumni scholarship for their graduate degrees based on the performance in their last degree at the time of admission, along with a 50% admission fee. The criteria and ranges of scholarship offered are:

Undergraduate CGPA	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
3.50 CGPA	50% (50% admission fee will be charged)	3.50 or higher
3.00 CGPA	25% (50% admission fee will be charged)	From 3.00 to 3.49
N/A at the time of admission	12.5%	From 2.50 to 2.99

- The 12.5% scholarship is only offered to students after their first semester of their graduate degree
- To avail UCP Alumni Scholarship in subsequent semesters, the required CGPA should be attained with a minimum workload of 09 credit hours

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

3. Merit-Based Scholarship for Undergraduate Programs

To award students with an outstanding academic record, the University of Central Punjab offers up to 100% Merit-Based scholarships based on the following criteria:

- 100% scholarship to the top 5 position holders of Any Intermediate Board

Undergraduate programs of the Faculty of Engineering & Faculty of Information Technology & Computer Science, and Faculty of Law:

Academic (Intermediate/A Levels)	Marks	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
80% Marks		75%	3.70 or higher
75% Marks		50%	3.50 or higher
70% Marks		25%	3.25 or higher
N/A at the time of admission		12.5%	3.00 or higher

Undergraduate program of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences:

Academic (Intermediate/A Levels)	Marks	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
85% Marks		75%	3.70 or higher
80% Marks		50%	3.50 or higher
75% Marks		25%	3.25 or higher
70% Marks		12.5%	3.00 or higher

Undergraduate programs of the Faculty of Management Sciences, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences, Faculty of Media & Mass Communication, Faculty of Science & Technology, and Faculty of Languages & Literature:

Academic (Intermediate/A Levels)	Marks	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
80% Marks		75%	3.70 or higher
75% Marks		50%	3.50 or higher
70% Marks		25%	3.25 or higher
65% Marks		12.5%	3.00 or higher

- Merit scholarships for new admissions are awarded on a provisional basis, based on the available declared results. For applicants with results pending, the final scholarship percentage will be determined and awarded upon submission of the complete result issued by the respective Board/IBCC
- Students shall avail the merit-based scholarship for the first two semesters of their program.
- They shall be assessed to retain the scholarship based on the above-mentioned CGPA criteria after completing the second semester

- The student must complete a minimum of 24 credit hours in two consecutive semesters
- Students who were not granted a merit-based scholarship (at the time of admission) admission in UCP can acquire the scholarship (subsequent semester) if they can achieve any of the CGPA criteria mentioned above
- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT). It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

4. Merit-Based Scholarship for Graduate Programs

To award students with an outstanding academic record, the University of Central Punjab offers up to 75% Merit-Based Scholarship for MBA and MS/M.Phil. Programs based on the following criteria:

CGPA	Scholarship Continuation	Continuation CGPA
3.80 CGPA in 16-Year Degree	75%	3.90 or higher
3.60 CGPA in 16-Year Degree	50%	From 3.75 to 3.89
N/A at the time of admission	25%	From 3.50 to 3.74

- The 25% scholarship is only offered to students after their first semester of their graduate degree
- Students who were not granted a merit-based scholarship (at the time of admission) admission in UCP can acquire the scholarship (subsequent semester) if they can achieve any of the CGPA criteria mentioned above
- To avail any of the above merit scholarships in subsequent semesters, the required CGPA must be earned with a minimum workload of 09 credit hours
- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

5. Need-Based Scholarship (Only for Undergraduate Programs)

To facilitate students with financial hardships, the University of Central Punjab offers limited financial support to help them achieve their career goals with affordable education in selected programs.

Criteria	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
Case evaluation by the Committee	25% to 100%	2.50 or higher

- Students aspiring to attain the need-based scholarship shall fill out the Need-Based Scholarship Form available at the UCP Admission Portal
- The scholarship shall be granted for the first year of the undergraduate degree programmes

- A minimum of 2.50 CGPA in the first and subsequent years of the undergraduate degree shall be maintained to retain the assistance.
- The student must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of workload in 2 consecutive semesters
- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT). It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

6. Scholarship for Specially-Abled Students

UCP provides up to 100% scholarships to specially-abled students based on the following criteria:

Criteria	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
Official Disability Certificate and Committee Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25% to 100% for Undergraduate Programs • 25% to 75% for Graduate Programs 	2.50 or higher

- To be eligible for the scholarship, the student shall provide the Disability Certificate, certified by the Government of Pakistan, with the application
- Differently abled students of undergraduate programs shall be eligible for a 25 to 100% scholarship at the time of admission, whereas for graduate programs, the scholarship percentage is 25 to 75% at the time of admission. The continuation criteria for both undergraduate and graduate programs are a minimum 2.50 CGPA in subsequent semesters, along with a minimum 12 credit hour load for undergraduate programs and 09 for graduate programs
- A disabled student if not meeting the CGPA eligibility criterion shall be awarded a 25% reduced scholarship if the CGPA is between 2.25 to 2.50
- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT), and maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

7. Talent-Based Scholarship

Students showing exceptional achievements in curricular and extracurricular activities are encouraged to apply for UCP's Talent-Based Scholarships, which are aimed at remarkably skilled students.

Criteria	Scholarship	Continuation Criteria
Based on Co and Extracurricular Activities and Committee Assessment	25 to 100%	2.00 or higher

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) and maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

8. Sports-Based Scholarship

UCP is dedicated to supporting athletic students who aspire to compete at the highest levels within their chosen sport. The university facilitates these students with academic flexibility and financial relief to help them easily attain their goals. The details of the scholarship are:

Criteria	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
Case evaluation by the Committee	Full or Partial	2.00 or higher

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) and maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

9. Legacy Scholarship

UCP offers a 25% scholarship to the siblings of currently enrolled students and children of UCP graduates as per the following criteria:

Category	Scholarship	Continuation CGPA
For siblings of UCP existing students or children of UCP graduates	25%	3.00 CGPA

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT) and maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

10. Gilgit-Baltistan Scholarship

The Gilgit-Baltistan Scholarship is introduced for students holding a Domicile of Gilgit-Baltistan. The eligibility criteria for said scholarship are;

Eligibility: Students holding a Domicile of Gilgit-Baltistan.

Scholarship Value: 30% waiver on tuition fees for all undergraduate and MBA/MS/M.Phil. programs.

Continuation Criteria: Maintenance of a minimum 2.70 CGPA to continue benefiting from the scholarship.

Note: Free hostel facility will be provided to the Female Students

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—4 years for all undergraduate programs, and 5 years for LL. B, Pharm-D, and Doctor of Physical Therapy (DPT), and maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. The free hostel facility is limited to accommodation charges only. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

11. Educator Advancement Program (Only for Graduate Programs)

The Educator Advancement Program is introduced to support the teaching faculty across Pakistan. The following terms & conditions apply for this scholarship:

Eligibility: All teachers currently employed in schools, colleges, or universities are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

Scholarship Amount: A flat 50% scholarship will be provided to all eligible candidates.

Experience Requirement: A minimum of 2 years of professional teaching experience is required to qualify for this scholarship.

Continuation Criteria: Recipients are required to maintain a minimum CGPA of 3.00 and remain employed throughout their studies to continue availing the scholarship. In case of discontinuation of employment, students from other cities will be required to submit a valid domicile certificate to retain their scholarship benefits.

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs and 3 years for PhD programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

12. Scholarship for Media Professionals (Only for MS/M.Phil. Programs)

The University of Central Punjab is offering a special scholarship opportunity for media professionals. This scholarship is designed to support individuals pursuing advanced studies in the field of media and communication. It is available for all MS and M.Phil. programs offered under the Faculty of Media and Mass Communication (FMMC). The eligibility criteria for said scholarship is:

Experience Requirement: A minimum of 2 years of professional experience (verifiable continuing service) in the relevant field is required to qualify for this scholarship.

Scholarship Value: A flat 50% scholarship will be provided to all eligible candidates

Continuation Criteria: Recipients must maintain a minimum CGPA of 3.00 and remain employed throughout their studies to continue benefiting from the scholarship

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

13. Scholarship for Engineering Professionals (Only for M.Sc. Programs)

The University of Central Punjab is offering a special scholarship opportunity for engineering professionals. This scholarship is designed to support individuals pursuing advanced studies in the field

of engineering. It is available for all M.Sc. programs offered under the Faculty of Engineering (FoE). The eligibility criteria for said scholarship is:

Eligibility: All engineering professionals currently working in a relevant field are eligible to apply for this scholarship.

Scholarship Amount: A flat 50% scholarship will be provided to all eligible candidates.

Experience Requirement: A minimum of 2 years of professional experience in a relevant engineering firm is required to qualify for this scholarship.

Continuation Criteria: Recipients are required to maintain a minimum CGPA of 3.00 and remain employed throughout their studies to continue availing the scholarship.

- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason

14. UCP Post-Graduate Fellowship Program

University of Central Punjab has introduced the Post-graduate Fellowship Program for full-time MS and PhD Scholars of the Faculty of Information Technology & Computer Science.

- The nominated fellow will be offered a position as a lab instructor or lecturer for the period of the fellowship.
- A stipend of Rs. 50000/ be given to the MS students, whereas Rs. 60000/ shall be awarded to PhD fellows.
- 100 % fee waiver available to PhD students for 6 semesters and MS students for 4 semesters.
- The fellow shall take at least 9 – 12 contact hours of the lab / 6 credit hours of theory (at the discretion of the Dean / HoD).
- The scholarship will be applicable only for the standard duration of the degree program—maximum 2 years for all MS/M.Phil. programs and 3 years for PhD programs. It will not cover any additional semester(s) beyond the normal duration, regardless of the reason.

15. Scholarship for Students with Deceased Parent/Guardian (SSDP)

Students who lose a parent or a guardian who was the primary earner in the family during their studies shall be eligible to apply for the SSDP scholarship. This would ensure continuity of education for students who have excelled in their degree programs but may not be able to continue their studies due to the loss of a family member. The details are:

- The Scholarship shall cover 50% of the tuition fee of the eligible student for 2 semesters.
- Only existing students who are enrolled in the university shall be eligible to apply for this scholarship.
- The student's deceased parent or guardian must have been the primary earner for the family.
- Family asset ownership of the concerned student must be less than 15 million.
- Family income from all other sources must be less than 1.2 million a year.

Important Note:

- The recipients of all scholarships shall adhere to all university rules, policies, and procedures with no exception as outlined in the Student Handbook. The university withholds the right to revoke any of the scholarships in case of breach of any disciplinary rules and regulations
- Scholarships are awarded in the form of a tuition fee waiver; they do not apply to admission fees or any other charges of the University unless specifically stated
- Applicants admitted in the 5th semester (Post ADP Programs) after a 14-year/ADP qualification shall be considered for scholarships by comparing their CGPA with the continuation CGPA of the corresponding category.
- The University, vide its discretionary power, has the authority to change the definition or percentage of any Scholarship, with the approval of the Academic Council, and it shall be binding on all awardees.
- No Scholarship applies to a repeat course or a course registered for improvement.
- A student convicted by the Discipline Committee will be ineligible for any Scholarship/Award.