Terms and Conditions for Scholarship

This document outlines the Terms and Conditions for the Sikkim Manipal University Directorate of Distance Education (SMU-DE) – Gyandeep Scholarships 2014-15. The scholarship will be referred to as ‘Scholarship/(s)’ herein.

Students in receipt of the Scholarship, will be required to sign, agree and accept all the terms and conditions referred herein including any amendments, instructions and notifications from SMU-DE. Students shall be deemed to have met at all times and accepted all the terms and conditions of the Scholarship for the Program opted.

Upon signing this document the student agrees that he/she has read these Terms and Conditions in their entirety and accepts the same during the tenure of the Program under which the Student has enrolled and being eligible offered the Scholarship from SMU-DE.

Section 1: Overview

The Gyandeep Scholarship is an All India Scholarship designed to help the students who want to pursue their education through distance education Programs of SMU-DE. The Scholarship benefit is as described in the Scholarship Benefits section of this document.

Section 2: Scholarship Benefits

The Scholarship would be awarded basis the percentage or equivalent secured in the qualifying examination (examination marks % will be considered for the whole course) as per the category matrix outlined below:

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<th>Final qualifying examination Marks / equivalent Grade</th>
<th>% Scholarship</th>
<th>No. of Scholarships offered in 2014-15</th>
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<tr>
<td>&gt;=50% &amp; above</td>
<td>15% tuition fee waiver</td>
<td>3,000</td>
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<td>&lt; 50%</td>
<td>15% tuition fee waiver on clearance of SMU-DE Scholarship Exam</td>
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<td>Students who have completed their UG Program from SMU-DE and want to pursue their PG Program (SMU-DE UG Alumni)</td>
<td>20% tuition fee waiver</td>
<td>1,000</td>
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- For the purpose of defining the grade, a percentage or its equivalent has to be established. For example a CGPA of 4 (Max 5) is equal to 80%. In case an equivalent percentage cannot be established, the decision of the University would be final and binding in this regard.
- The Scholarship is valid for students who are eligible for admission to programs offered under SMU-DE.
The Scholarship benefit is valid for students who submit a duly signed valid application form with enclosures between the period 1st December 2014 to 22nd December, 2014, for admission to any of the Programs offered under SMU-DE.

- Only physical Scholarship Applications duly signed by the students along with the Application for Admission form completed in all respects and necessary enclosures are received by the University Admissions office between the above mentioned period will be considered as valid applications for availing Scholarships.

- There are limited numbers of Scholarships and will be provided to eligible students on the first come first serve basis.
- No further scholarships will be offered after exhausting number of available Scholarships in each category as per matrix referred above.
- The Scholarship benefits are non-transferable and cannot be adjusted against any other fees payable by students to SMU.
- The Scholarship benefit is not available for students who have opted to pay the Tuition Fees for a Program in a lump sum mode or availing similar benefit from SMU or who have signed and submitted and/or enrolled to the Programs before the commencement of the aforesaid period and after 22nd December, 2014.
- The Scholarship offered is applicable on the Tuition Fee for the respective eligible SMU-DE Program only.
- Student is expected to pay full fees for the First Semester. The student will become eligible for the first semester scholarship while re-registering for his second semester and so on for all semesters.
- The continuation of Scholarship to the eligible student in the third and subsequent semesters shall be subject to the following conditions:
  - Eligibility Criteria 1: Clear promotion in the previous semester in first attempt with pass in all papers of the previous semester.
  - Eligibility Criteria 2: A minimum of Grade B overall in the previous semester
- The same is explained below with an example for MBA Program and considering the scholarship benefit at 15%.

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<th>Semester</th>
<th>Semester Fees (Rs.)</th>
<th>Scholarship Amount (Rs.) with 15% Scholarship</th>
<th>Total Fee Payable after Scholarship (Rs.)</th>
<th>Eligibility / Remarks</th>
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<td>1st Semester</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>All students who are going to Re-Register without any break will be eligible for scholarship.</td>
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<td>Should have scored &gt;=50% at the qualifying examination or clearance of SMU-DE Scholarship Exam at the time of taking admission to the First Semester.</td>
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<td>2nd Semester</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>1,905</td>
<td>13,095</td>
<td>Student should have secured a ‘B’ grade or higher in 1st Semester in the first attempt without any break</td>
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<td>3rd Semester</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>1,905</td>
<td>13,095</td>
<td>Student should have secured a ‘B’ grade or higher in 1st and 2nd Semester in the first attempt without any break</td>
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<td>4th Semester</td>
<td>15,000</td>
<td>1,905</td>
<td>13,095</td>
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Student / Legal Guardian Signature

APPLYATION NO.
Amount of Rs 1905/- will be sent to students by cheque/DD after announcement of 3rd Semester Results
Eligibility for the above - Student should have secured a 'B' grade or higher in the 3rd Semester in the first attempt without any break in 1st and 2nd semester.

The Scholarship would stand discontinued if:
  o The student does not qualify for the same;
  o The student does not pay all applicable fee in time as per the fee payment schedule;
  o The student fails to maintain the decorum and discipline as stipulated by the University, from time to time; or
  o Student misses eligibility for Scholarship in any semester for any reason;

Scholarship once discontinued on the basis of the Scholarship benefits as outlined herein cannot be revived and availed under any circumstances and student agrees to waive off any such claims from SMU-DE.

Please note that all Scholarship benefits will be confirmed only on receipt of the attested mark-sheet from the Student and if the marks do not justify the Scholarship benefits, the differential tuition fee payment will have to be made by the student.

Any student found adopting any unfair practices during the Admission process, or during his/her tenure as a student of SMU-DE, is liable for disciplinary action as per University guidelines and policies and cancellation of Scholarship benefits. The Student / Legal Guardian agrees and shall be bound to pay to SMU-DE the entire Program fee on any such event of disciplinary action or cancellation of Scholarship benefits.

Section 3: Scholarship Criteria

To be eligible for the Scholarship, the student should have met all eligibility criteria for the Program that he/she is planning to join and have submitted duly filled and signed application form and enrolled during the aforesaid period.

Scholarship benefits would be as per eligible percentage marks as detailed in aforesaid Scholarship Benefit section.

At any point of time, the student would be eligible for only one Scholarship/financial aid from SMU. No request would be considered for change of Scholarship category or scholarship benefits at any point of time during the tenure of the student at SMU-DE.

The offer of Scholarship is at the sole discretion of SMU-DE and any decision of such offer of scholarship of SMU-DE would be final and binding on the Student.

In the event, you do not meet the above Scholarship criteria as referred above please do not apply. Your Scholarship application will not be considered and likely to be rejected by SMU-DE.