

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme

Fall 2024 Cycle

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### THE AGA KHAN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

Aga Khan Education Board invites applications from academically meritorious and financially needy students of the Jamat who have secured admissions in undergraduate programmes in quality institutions of Pakistan.

The programme was initiated in 1995 and so far, 2279 scholarships have been awarded through a highly competitive and rigorous screening process.

### **OBJECTIVES**

To provide an opportunity to meritorious and financially needy students to pursue studies at the undergraduate level from recognised institutions in Pakistan by providing financial assistance on a grant-cum-loan basis.

### **SCOPE**

The scope of the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme is limited to the Ismaili Community only.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme is announced twice in a year. The Spring Cycle is launched in January, while the Fall Cycle is launched in July.

### **ELIGIBIITY CRITERIA**

Students who wish to apply for the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme must meet the following criteria:

- Applicants who have obtained confirmed or provisional admissions in recognised institutions between the stipulated admission dates (mentioned in the 'Important Dates and Deadlines for The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme' section) for the cycle.
- Applicants who have obtained minimum 65% and cumulatively 135% (or equivalent) in their last two public examinations;
- Applicants with genuine financial needs.

### **INELIGIBILITY**

The following students are ineligible to apply for the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme:

- Applicants who have completed 1. years of education (i.e., a four-year bachelor' programme);
- Applicants who want to pursue bachelor's studies as private candidates;
- Applicants who wish to pursue short-term or certification courses such as ACCA, CFA, CIMA, etc.;
- Mid-course students whose admissions are confirmed before the approved admission dates for the cycle and who are in the midst of their studies.
- Applicants who did not get admission into approved universities for the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme (please refer to the list of approved universities);
- Applicants whose Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme Scholarship Awards have previously been discontinued will not be eligible to reapply for the programme for the same level of studies.

### APPLICANT ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme Committee evaluates applicants on the following criteria:

- Excellent academic record;
- Genuine financial need;
- Admission in a programme and institution recognised by the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme;
- Thoughtful and coherent career plan;
- Extra-curricular activities and community service;
- Content/field-related knowledge;
- Work experience/internships; and
- Exploration of alternate avenues for partial funding.



### EXPENSES COVERED BY THE AGA KHAN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME AWARD

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme Award covers the following expenses:

- Admission, tuition and examination fees (excluding refundable charges);
- Textbooks and project material costs;
- Transportation expenses from residence to the university (university/public bus charges only); and
- Boarding and lodging expenses (for candidates living outside their city of residence).

NOTE: The Scholarship Awards are disbursed on an annual basis. Also, please remember that the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme Award only provides partial funding and must be considered as an avenue of last resort. Since the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme Award contributes towards the total cost of funding, the students must be able to demonstrate their ability to arrange funds from alternate sources, including through family contribution. Please note that the average scholarship amount disbursed in 2023-24 was Rs.225410 per student.

# PROCEDURE TO APPLY FOR THE AGA KHAN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

### Step I:

Applicants are required to send application requests to Aga Khan Education Board for Pakistan by sending emails to cas@akesp.org

### Step II:

Applicants should submit the Application Request Forms along with the mark sheets for Matriculation and Intermediate (or equivalent exams, if applicable).

### Step III

Application Forms will be sent via emails to eligible applicants, while ineligible applicants will be informed through emails.

#### Step IV:

Applicants will submit the Application Forms along with all the required documents to the Scholarship Department by the given deadline.

#### Step V:

Shortlisted applicants will be invited for interviews. Failure to appear for the interview will result in immediate disqualification for the Scholarship Programme. The Scholarship Committee will assess each application on the set criteria and shortlist applicants for the Scholarship Awards.

#### Step VI:

All interviewed applicants will be notified about the outcomes of their scholarship applications via letters. Selected applicants will be provided with offers of Scholarship Awards.

### Step VII:

After the acceptance of the offer of Scholarship Award, a set of legal documents will be sent to the recipient to review and sign.

### Step VIII:

After the receipt of the legal documents, the Scholarship Awards will be disbursed directly to recipients in the form of a banker's cheque.



### DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Scholarship Award is provided for the entire duration of the degree programme. However, it is renewed annually on the basis of the applicant's academic performance and financial need.

### RENEWAL OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme Awardees are required to maintain a CGPA of at least 3.0 (if the university follows the CGPA grading system), á5% (if the university follows percentage grading system), or 55% (for Medicine, Dentistry, Nursing, and Pharmacy only) to continue to be the Aga Undergraduate Scholarship Programme awardees. Recipients are required to submit their transcripts/ mark sheets on an annual basis to the Scholarship Department.

**Note:** The Aga Khan Education Board for Pakistan – AKEB, P reserves the right to discontinue the Scholarship Award if the recipient's academic performance declines below the required criteria.

# REPAYMENT OF THE AGA KHAN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME AWARD

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme is awarded on a 50% grant and 50% loan basis. The loan component of the Scholarship must be repaid along with service charges (calculated on a compound rate basis) by the recipient. Please note that until 2023, the service charges varied in the years following the first year of the Scholarship Award. The service charge for 2023 was 10.60%. However, the service charges from 2024 onward will be 5% annually. Repayment of the loan component begins six months after the completion of the programme for which the Scholarship was awarded. The repayments must be made in equal monthly installments, and the maximum total repayment period is five years.

### DISCONTINUATION OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Failure to meet the scholarship renewal criteria or scholarship terms and conditions might result in the termination/ discontinuation of the Scholarship Award. In case of discontinuation of the scholarship, the entire amount disbursed – i.e., the loan and the grant – alongside the service charges must be repaid within a period of six months thereof.

# IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES FOR THE AGA KHAN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME

ACTIVITY	TIMELINES
Scholarship Launch	August 2024
Admission Confirmation Dates	February 29, 2024 - August 31, 2024
Deadline to Submit ARF	September 12, 2024
Deadline to Submit Application Form	September 30, 2024
Interviews	October 2024
Scholarship Outcome	November 2024
Deadline to Submit Scholarship Documents and Affidavit	November 30, 2024
Disbursement of Funds to Awardees	December 2024

### LIST OF APPROVED ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS FOR THE AGA KHAN UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME - 2024

The Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme is awarded for selected institutions in Pakistan that are recognised by AKEB, P as quality education providers. The list of recognised institutions and their associated programmes is as follows:

### COMPUTER SCIENCE AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Air University, Islamabad
COMSATS University (Islamabad,
Abbottabad Campus)
Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi
Forman Christian College, Lahore
Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering
Sciences and Technology, Swabi
Government College University, Lahore
Habib University, Karachi
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi
Institute of Management Sciences, Peshawar
Lahore University of Management Sciences,
Lahore

Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, Jamshoro Muhammad Nawaz Sharif University of Engineering & Technology, Multan Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad National University of Computer and Emerging Sciences, Islamabad, Karachi and Lahore National University of Science and Technology, Rawalpindi

NED University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi

Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Islamabad

Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology, Islamabad, and Karachi

Sukkur Institute of Business Administration, Sukkur Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi

University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore University of Engineering and Technology, Peshawar

University of Engineering and Technology, Taxila University of Karachi, Karachi

Usman Institute of Technology, Karachi

### **ACCOUNTING**

Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan (ICAP) – All Registered Accounting Education Tutors (RAETs) (for up to Module D of CA only) National University of Science and Technology, Rawalpindi

Institute of Business Management, Karachi Institute of Business Administration, Karachi Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore Institute of Cost and Management Accountants of Pakistan (ICMAP) – (for ACMA only) (for up to 6 semesters of ACMA through the coaching class study route only)

Sukkur Institute of Business Administration, Sukkur

### BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi Forman Christian College, Lahore Government College University, Lahore Hailey College of Banking and Finance, Lahore Institute of Business Administration, Karachi Institute of Business Management, Karachi (BBA, BS (Joint Hons) only Institute of Management Sciences, Peshawar Lahore University of Management Sciences,

Lahore School of Economics, Lahore
National College of Business Administration and
Economics, Lahore
National University of Science and Technology,
Rawalpindi
Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad
Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science
and Technology, Islamabad and Karachi
Sukkur Institute of Business Administration, Sukkur
University of Karachi, Karachi

University of the Punjab, Lahore

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### AGRICULTURE AND VETERINARY MEDICINE

Sindh Agriculture University, Tandojam University of Agriculure, Faisalabad University of Agriculture, Peshawar Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan

University of Arid Agriculure, Rawalpindi University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences, Lahore Nawaz Sharif Agriculture University, Multan

### LAW

Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore National University of Science and Technology (All campuses)

Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad Sindh Muslim Law College, Karachi

### MASS COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi Forman Christian College, Lahore (B.A.(Hons) in Mass Communication) Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture,

Karachi

Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore

Lahore School of Economics, Lahore National College of Arts, Lahore Shaheed Zulfigar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology, Karachi University of Karachi, Karachi University of the Punjab, Lahore

### TEXTILE

Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, Karachi

National College of Arts, Lahore and Rawalpindi NED University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi

National Textile University, Faisalabad Textile Institute of Pakistan, Karachi Pakistan Institute of Fashion and Design, Lahore University of Sargodha, Sargodha University of the Punjab, Lahore

### ARTS, DESIGN AND CULTURE

Habib University, Karachi Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, Karachi

Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, **Iamshoro** 

National College of Arts, Lahore and Rawalpindi (B. Arch. B .F.A.)

NED University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi

Pakistan Institute of Fashion and Design, Lahore University of the Punjab, Lahore University of Karachi, Karachi

### **ECONOMICS**

Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi Forman Christian College, Lahore Institute of Business Administration, Karachi Institute of Business Management, Karachi Institute of Management Sciences, Peshawar Karakuram International University, Gilgit Lahore School of Economics, Lahore

Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore National University of Science and Technology, Rawalpindi Pakistan Institute of Development Economics Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad

### ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

Air University, Islamabad Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan

Bahria University, Karachi and Islamabad

College of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering (NUST), Rawalpindi

COMSATS University (Islamabad, Abbottabad Campus) Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering Sciences and Technology, Swabi

Habib University, Karachi

Indus Valley School of Art and Architecture, Karachi Institute of Insudstrial Electronics Engineering, Karachi Institute of Space Technology, Islamabad

Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore Mehran University of Engineering and Technology, Iamshoro

Military College for Signals (NUST), Rawalpindi Muhammad Nawaz Sharif University of Engineering & Technology, Multan

National College of Arts, Lahore

National University of Computer and Emerging Sciences, Islamabad, Karachi and Lahore

National University of Science and Technology, Rawalpindi & Risalpur

NED University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi

NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology, Faisalabad

University of Engineering and Technology,

Peshawar Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Applied

Sciences, Islamabad PNEC National University of Science and

Technology, Karachi

Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology,

Karachi

University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore University of Engineering and Technology, Taxila University of Karachi, Karachi (Bachelors in

Architecture only)

University of Lahore, Lahore

University of the Punjab, Lahore (Bachelors in

Architecture)

Usman Institute of Technology, Karachi

### **EDUCATION**

Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi Notre Dame Institute of Education, Karachi Sukkar Institute of Business Administration, Sukkar

University of Karachi, Karachi University of Peshawar, Peshawar University of Sindh, Jamshoro University of the Punjab, Lahore

### MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, NURSING, PHARMACY

Allama Igbal Medical College, Lahore Ameer ud Din Medical College, Lahore

Army Medical College, Rawalpindi Ayub Medical College, Abbottabad

Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan (Pharm D only)

Chandka Medical College, Larkana

De'Montmorency College of Dentistry, Lahore Dow University of Health Science, Karachi Dr. Ishrat-ul-Ebad Khan Institute of Oral Health

Sciences, Karachi

Fatima Jinnah Medical College for Women, Lahore Gujranwala Medical College, Gujranwala Gulab Devi Medical College, Lahore

ISRA University, Hyderabad

Jinnah Medical and Dental College, Karachi Karachi Medical and Dental College, Karachi Khawaja Muhammad Safdar Medical College,

Sialkot Khyber Medical University, Peshawar

King Edward Medical College, Lahore Lahore Medical and Dental College, Lahore Liaquat College of Medicine and Dentistry,

Karachi (BDS only)

Liaquat University of Medical and Health

Sciences, Jamshoro

Nawaz Sharif Medical College, University of

Gujrat, Gujrat

Nishter Medical College, Multan

Peoples University of Medical and Health Sciences for Women, Shaheed Benazirabad
Punjab Medical College, Faisalabad
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College, Bahawalpur
Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad (Pharm D only)
Rawalpindi Medical College, Rawalpindi
Sahiwal Medical College, Sahiwal
Sargodha Medical College, Sargodha
School of Nursing, Holy Family Hospital, Rawalpindi
Services Institute of Medical Sciences, Lahore
Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University,
Islamabad

Shaikh Khalifa Bin Zayed Al-Nahyan Medical and Dental College, Lahore
Shaikha Fatima Institute of Nursing and Health Sciences, Lahore
Shifa Tameer-e-Millat University, Islamabad
Sheikh Zayed Medical College, Rahimyar Khan
Sindh Medical College, Karachi
University of Karachi, Karachi (Pharm D Only)
University of Lahore, Lahore (Pharm D Only)
University of Peshawar, Peshawar (Pharm D Only)
University of Sargodha, Sargodha (Pharm D Only)
University of Punjab, Lahore (Pharm D Only)
Ziauddin Medical University, Karachi

# ALLIED HEALTH (FOOD SCIENCES AND NUTRITION, PHYSIOTHERAPY/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY/MEDICAL IMAGING TECHNOLOGY, SPEECH THERAPY, VISION SCIENCES)

Allama Iqbal Medical College, Lahore
Armed Forces Postgraduate Medical Institute,
Rawalpindi
Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan
Ch. Pervaiz Elahi Institute of Cardiology, Multan
Dow University of Health Sciences, Karachi
Faisalabad Institute of Cardiology, Faisalabad
Institute of Public Health, Lahore
Gulab Devi Medical College, Lahore
ISRA University, Hyderabad
Khyber Medical University, Peshawar
King Edward Medical College, Lahore
Lahore Medical and Dental College, Lahore
Liaquat University of Medical and Health Science,
Jamshoro

Nawaz Sharif Agriculture University, Multan

Punjab Institute of Cardiology, Lahore
Punjab Medical College, Faisalabad
Quaid-e-Azam Medical College, Bahawalpur
Rawalpindi Medical College, Rawalpindi
School of Allied Health Sciences, (The
Children's Hospital And Institute of Child
Health), Lahore
Services Institute of Medical Sciences, Lahore
Sheikh Zayed Medical College, Rahimyar Khan
Shifa Tamer-e-Millat University, Islamabad
University of Agriculture, Faisalabad
University of Veterinary and Animal Sciences,
Lahore
Ziauddin Medical University, Karachi

Nishter Medical College, Multan

### MATHEMATICS, BASIC AND APPLIED SCIENCES

COMSATS University - (Islamabad & Abbottabad Campus)
Forman Christian College, Lahore
Government College University, Lahore
Institute of Business Administration, Karachi
Karakoram International University, Gilgit (B.S. Math & Physics only)
Kinnaird College for Women, Lahore
Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore

National University of Science and Technology (all campuses) Sukkur Institute of Business Administration, Sukkur University of Karachi, Karachi University of Peshawar, Peshawar (for 4-year Bachelor programme only) University of the Punjab, Lahore

Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad

### SOCIAL SCIENCES

Bahria University, Karachi and Islamabad Forman Christian College, Lahore Habib University, Karachi Institute of Business Administration, Karachi Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore

National University of Science and Technology (All campuses)

Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology, Karachi University of Karachi, Karachi (for Psychology, and Library and Information Sciences only) University of Peshawar, Peshawar

### LAUGUAGE (ENGLISH, URDU AND CHINESE ONLY

Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi Forman Christian College, Lahore Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore Institute of Southern Punjab, Multan

National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad University of Karachi, Karachi University of the Punjab, Lahore



### POINTS TO REMEMBER!

- Applying to the Aga Khan Undergraduate Scholarship Programme does not guarantee a Scholarship Award.
- The Scholarship Committee's decision will be final and binding for all.
- The Aga Khan Undergraduate Programme provides only a partial scholarship to selected applicants; therefore, applicants are encouraged to apply for funding from alternate sources as well.

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