

Democratizing International Education for Indian Students

Leap Scholarship



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Program Overview:

Leap Scholarship is an initiative by Leap Scholar to encourage and support students who want to pursue higher education abroad. The scholarship provides an opportunity to Indian students to grow both personally and professionally and accelerate their careers in a global environment.

The total amount of scholarship for the year 2020 is \$250,000 USD. The scholarship is available for 5000+ courses in Canada, UK, USA, Australia, Ireland and can cover upto 100% of your tuition fee. This makes it the biggest scholarship in India for students going for higher education abroad.



About the Scholarship:

The Leap Scholarship was established by Leap Scholar in 2019 to promote educational opportunities for Indian students going abroad.

The number of students going overseas is increasing every year. In July 2018, 7.5 lakh Indian students went abroad for further studies as reported by Ministry of External Affairs. Even so access to global education can often be restricted to a select few. Due to lack of information, absence of strong networks or financial reasons, not all Indian students are able to realize their dream of studying abroad.

This is why we established the Leap Scholarship - one of the biggest scholarships for Indian students wanting to pursue higher education abroad. The scholarship is given every year to students going to the UK, the US, Canada, Australia or Ireland to pursue postgraduate studies.



Who are we?

From the founders

Leap Scholar was born out of the conviction that Indian students have the talent and potential to thrive in international careers. Education is the greatest equaliser, and every student deserves access to the best possible opportunities regardless of their background or location.

Leap Scholar is a one-stop guidance & mentorship platform for any Indian student aspiring to study abroad. By joining Leap Scholar, students are able to receive academic counselling from the best counsellors in India, prepare for IELTS, receive scholarships, get student visa guidance with a 99% approval rate and 1:1 mentorship from successful students abroad all under one roof.

Realising that financial constraints hold back many hard working Indian students who want to move abroad, we launched the Leap Scholarship. We believe that every student has the potential to make a difference and deserves the best opportunities for growth. Leap scholarship is open to all students who are planning to pursue a postgraduate degree from a university or college in the UK, the US, Canada, Australia or Ireland in any subject of their choice.

Through the scholarship, we want to enable Indian students to grow their skill set, receive world class education and give back to society by pursuing rewarding careers and growing the presence of Indian talent abroad.



Vaibhav Singh Co-Founder, Leap Scholar

Vaibhav is passionate about democratizing education for Indian students. He has helped over 1000 students achieve their study abroad dream over the past 5 years through counselling and guidance. Vaibhav is also an expert in the higher education loans space and wants to make the dream of studying abroad a real possibility for as many students as possible.



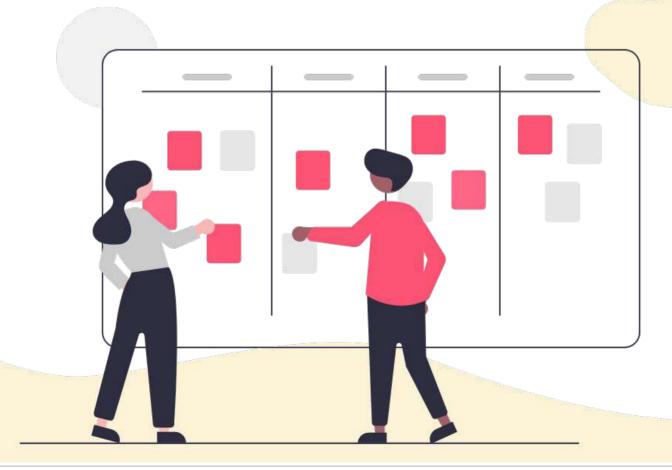
Arnav Kumar Co-Founder, Leap Scholar

Arnav is a graduate of IIT kharagpur and started his career at Deutsche Bank. He loves to guide young aspirants to build successful careers in global environments. Through Leap Scholar, he not only wishes to provide the right guidance but also the right opportunities for growth and development of each student. So far he has helped 500+ students in their study abroad dreams.

Eligibility Criteria For the Scholarship

1	You must be a citizen of India.
2	You must be > 21 years of age.
3	You must have a minimum IELTS score of 6 (with 5.5 in each band).
4	You must have scored >60% in 12th standard exams.
5	You must have scored >60% (or its equivalent) in undergraduate study.
6	You must be a fresher or have 0-4 years of work experience.
7	You must be applying for the May 2021 intake.
8	You must have an admit from a designated learning institute in the UK, US, Canada, Australia or Ireland.
9	You must have an admit from a full-time program > 8 month duration.
10	You must complete your college admission process and visa application process through Leap Scholar.
11	You must not have received any other scholarship/ grant/bursary for the program for which Leap Scholarship is sought.

The last date for applications is 31st January, 2021. You can apply by filling the form here



Evaluation Criteria - What Are We Looking For?

We're looking for young dreamers who want to receive higher education abroad. Every student deserves the best education and opportunities to grow in her chosen profession and make an impact on society.

Leap Scholarship is for all students who are passionate about their chosen fields of study, want to grow their skills and accelerate their careers in a global environment.

We look at a number of factors as well as the personal goals of each student while evaluating their application. Here are some of the factors we look at while awarding the scholarship:

1	Academic consistency
2	Financial need
3	Program of study and related work experience / academic profile
4	Work experience / Internships
5	Extra-curricular achievements and interests
6	Motivation to pursue International education in the chosen field
7	Social impact initiatives and community involvement
8	Research work

Please note that these are not exclusionary factors but a general guideline to review an applicant. Absence of one or more of these factors does not hamper your chances of scholarship.

The purpose of the scholarship is to be able to help the maximum number of students. If you meet the basic eligibility criteria, we strongly encourage you to apply. There is no application fee for the scholarship.



Application Process - How to Apply?

Step 1: Apply to the Leap Scholar Program

Leap Scholarship is available only to students who apply to schools in the UK, the US, Canada, Australia or Ireland via the Leap Scholar Program. The Leap Scholar program is the most comprehensive counselling program in India designed to guide students in their application process to universities abroad.

Step 2: Submit College Application

After you apply for the Leap Scholar program, our team will contact you and guide you through the process of shortlisting colleges, applying to programs and filing for your student visa.



Step 3: Submit Scholarship Application Online

You can submit your scholarship application online any time after you've signed up for the Leap Scholar program. As part of your application, you will upload the following documents:

3.1.	A conditional offer from a university/college in the UK, the US, Canada, Australia or Ireland
3.2.	A personal statement that answers the following questions:
а	In 500 words or less, what are you career goals/aspirations?
b	In 300 words or less, how will an education abroad help you in achieving your goals?
С	In 300 words or less, what additional qualities/skills do you have that make you an ideal candidate for this scholarship?

Application Process - How to Apply?

Step: 4 Interview with Scholarship Committee

After your application is verified and evaluated, shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by an independent scholarship committee.

Step 5: Results of the Scholarship

Results of Leap Scholarship will be declared after the admission results are declared by the the colleges and universities.

Amount of Scholarship Cover:

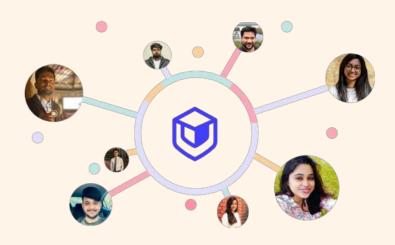
The scholarship will cover a part or the entire cost of your tuition and will be directly disbursed to your college.

1	Min scholarship amount \$1000 USD
2	Max scholarship amount \$20,000 USD or upto 100% of first year tuition fee whichever is lower.
3	Number of awardees: Unrestricted



The Leap Scholar Community

Students who are awarded the Leap Scholarship get to be part of an exciting and ever-growing network of Indian students in the UK, the US, Canada, Australia and Ireland. The Leap Scholar community is young, passionate and driven. It is a home away from home for all Indian students. It allows you to easily connect with each other, develop friendships, search for accommodation and flatmates, find student-mentors, and professionals who can help in finding jobs.



We highly value the power of student networks and allow student-mentors to grow and shape the community. The scholarship provides you life-long connections with fellow Leap Scholars.

Apply here and #taketheleap!

FAQs

Have any questions about the scholarship? **Do check out the FAQs page on our website!** If you have any other queries, you can reach us at **contact@leapscholar.com**.

