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The Commission on Higher Education (CHED) is offering the **Grants-in-Aid Program**(Tulong Dunong Scholarship and **Tertiary Education Subsidy**) to support [college students](http://worldscholarshipforum.com/tag/college-scholarships/)with financial aid needed to pursue their academic dreams.

Filipino citizens are eligible to apply for this **CHED Scholarship Program**. The program offers the needed financial help for college enrolment for the students.

**Scholarship offered**

**TES**

**What is TES?**

**The Tertiary Education Subsidy or TES is one of the major components of Republic Act 10931 or the Universal Access to Quality Tertiary Education Act (UAQTEA).**

**It is not a scholarship but a grant-in-aid program that provides financial assistance to support at least the partial cost of tertiary education, inclusive of education-related expenses. It prioritizes students belonging in lower income households and provide access to quality tertiary education in city/town without state or local universities and colleges.** The TES only opens its application once every Academic Year.

**What are the benefits of TES?**

**The benefits are the following:**

**Per Academic Year, qualified grantees receive a financial assistance in the amount of:**

**1. Php 40,000 - for grantees enrolled in State Universities and Colleges (SUCs) or CHED-recognized Local Universities and Colleges (LUCs)**

**2. Php 60,000 - for grantees enrolled in CHED-recognized programs of Private Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)**

**Additional benefits are:**

**1. Php 30,000 - for grantees who are considered as Persons with Disability**

**2. Php 10,000 - for grantees who will be taking the Board or Licensure Examinations (Maximum amount for one-time reimbursement, within 2 years from the A.Y. when the student graduated)**

**What are the Documentary Requirements I need to prepare for TES Scholarship?**

**UniFAST will process all the applications. Your school will notify you if you have been included in the list of potential grantees who qualified in the Nationwide TES Assessment.**

**If you are included as one of the potential TES grantees, you will need to submit your Documentary Requirements to your school to validate your slot. This is needed to check and verify if you have met the qualifications and criteria set by the guidelines.**

**Submit the following Documentary Requirements:**

* **Certificate of Registration or Enrollment**
* **Assessment of Fees**
* **Certificate of Residency (if applicable, usually needed for PNSL)**
* **Photocopy of PWD ID (if applicable,**

**Some schools require these documents immediately as you apply. So it is important you coordinate with your school on how they implement their application process.**

**TDP**

**What is CHED-Tulong Dunong Scholarship?**

The **CHED-Tulong Dunong Scholarship** is intended for the [**high school**](https://worldscholarshipforum.com/category/high-school-scholarship/)graduates whose GWA is at least a passing grade and for graduating high school students whose GWA is at least a passing grade in the third year and in the three grading periods of the fourth year and who will enroll in identified priority courses in duly authorized public or private HEIs.

**Eligible Criteria for Tulong Dunong Scholarship 2021**

The following criteria must be met in order for applicants to be eligible for this **TDP Scholarship**:

* Be a Filipino citizen of good moral character.
* Not be more than 30 years of age at the time of application except for senior citizens;
* Be a high school graduate or a candidate for graduation;
* Must have a combined annual gross income of parents/guardian not to exceed P300,000.000. For those who are exempted from filing income tax, there should be a certificate of tax exemption from the BIR. For OFW and seafarers, the latest copy of the contract or proof of income.
* Not be a recipient of any government scholarship and financial assistance.

The TULONG DUNONG is a Grants-in-Aid (GIA) under the Student Financial Assistance Programs (StuFAPS) of Commission on Higher Education (CHED). This is intended for:

* High school graduates whose GWA is at least a passing grade and for graduating high school students whose GWA is at least a passing grade in the third year and in the first three grading periods of the fourth year and who will enroll in identified priority courses in duly authorized public or private HEIs.
* Students with earned units in college – whose weighted average is at least a passing grade for the last two (2) semesters and enrolled in identified priority courses in duly authorized public or private HEIs.
* Students who passed the Alternative Learning System (ALS) and the Philippine Educational Placement Test (PEPT).

**Documentary Requirements (to be scanned and uploaded when applying online). KUNG GUSTO NIYO ILAGAY TO GO. PAG AYAW EDI DON’T**

**Important Reminder: All documents in photocopies must be CERTIFIED TRUE COPIES:**

**1. 2 pcs. 2″x2″ ID picture**  
    **2. Certified true copy of Birth Certificate**  
    **3. Academic Credentials:**  
      \* For Graduating Senior High School applicants– Grades for Grade 11 and 1st Sem. of Grade 12  
      \* For Senior High School Graduates – Form 137  
      \* For ALS Passers – Accreditation and Equivalency Test Passer Certificate  
      \* For PEPT Passers – Certificate of Advancing to tne Next Level  
    **4. Parents’/Guardians’ Proof of Income (whichever is applicable)**  
      \* Latest Income Tax Return (ITR) of parents or guardian  
      \* Certificate of Tax Exemption from the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR)  
      \* Certificate of Indigency with Gross Annual Income of parent/guardian issued by the Barangay  
       Chairman or Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD)  
      \* Affidavit of No Income or Case Study from DSWD  
      \* For children of Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW) and Seafarers, a latest copy of contract or  
       proof of income may be considered  
    **5. Supporting Documents.**In addition to the core requirements, the following SUPPORTING  
     DOCUMENTS will be further required for the following cases:  
      \* For solo parents and/or their dependents, submit authenticated photocopy of Solo Parent ID or  
       Certification from Department of Social Welfare and Development  
      \* For applicants belonging to an Ethnic Group, submit Certificate from National Commission on  
       Indigenous Peoples (NCIP)  
      \* For PWD applicants, submit Medical Certificate  
      \* For applicants living with a guardian, submit Affidavit of Guardianship

**What is the Worth of this Tulong Dunong Scholarship 2021?**

The package of financial assistance to grantees shall be six (6) semesters for a three(3) year program, eight(8) semesters for a four(4) year program or ten(10) semesters for a five (5) year program.

The financial benefits of TDP scholarship cover [**tuition**](http://worldscholarshipforum.com/tag/low-tuition-fees/) and other school fees as billed not to exceed Php12,000.00 per academic year. Financial Assistance for other programs includes;

* Full Merit Program – P15,000 per semester
* Half Merit Program – P7,500 per semester
* Study Now Pay Later Plan – P7,500 per semester

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**Submit the following Documentary Requirements:**

* CERTIFICATE OF GRADES (OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST SEMESTER)
* REGISTRATION FORM/CARD (CURRENT SEMESTER)/CERTIFICATE OF ENROLLMENT
* PICTURE OF SCHOOL ID/ CERTIFICATE OF NO ID AND OTHER Government ID

**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

**1.) Is there a grade requirement for TES?**

**There's no GWA to maintain to qualify for TES. As long as you are qualified under the existing qualifications above, then you are eligible to apply in TES.**

**~~Is my school eligible to avail TES? Wag na to~~**

**~~All State Universities, CHED-recognized LUCs, and CHED-recognized programs of Private HEIs are qualified to avail of the programs under UniFAST. You can search if your school is eligible to avail TES in our TES School Finder here. For Private HEIs, check if the program/course you are enrolled in is CHED-recognized.~~**

**~~Can I still get other government scholarships like DOST if am already a TES grantee? Mamili kayo, ito o yung nasa baba nito HAHAHAHA~~**

**~~Technically, there are no prohibitions in the TES guidelines. So in theory, you can get other scholarships while being a TES grantee. However, most of these other government scholarships have provisions in their guidelines that prohibit you to avail of other government scholarships or financial assistance programs like TES. So you have to check the guidelines of your desired scholarships if they allow it. And, I recommend that you only choose either TES or the other scholarship to give other students the chance to have the slot.~~**

### **2.) Can I avail of the CHED Scholarship and another government-funded scholarship at the same time?**

As per CHED Memorandum Order No. 08 Series of 2019, CHED scholars are entitled only to one government-funded scholarship. Once you become a CHED scholar, you cannot avail of other government-funded scholarship programs such as [DOST Scholarship](https://filipiknow.net/dost-scholarship/) and OWWA Scholarship.  Meanwhile, there are no sections in the CHED Scholarship policies and guidelines that indicate restrictions on having a local government-funded scholarship. However, it is still helpful to ask your CHEDRO about this matter.

## 3.) How To Maintain CHED Scholarship.

Once you have been qualified as a CHED scholar, there are two things you need to remember to maintain it – the CHED scholarship’s grade qualification and the grounds for termination.

### **4.) What is the CHED Scholarship Maintaining**[**GWA**](https://filipiknow.net/how-to-compute-gwa/)**?**

The CHED Scholarship maintaining grades are as follows:

* **If you are a SSP or PESFA Full-Scholar:** 85%
* **If you are a SSP or PESFA Half-Scholar:**80%

### **5.) What Are the CHED Scholarship’s Grounds for Termination?**

* Enrollment in a non-priority program
* Not carrying a regular load (number of units)
* Shifting to another program or transferring to another HEI without concerned CHEDRO’s approval
* Submission of fake documents
* Offenses involving moral turpitude
* Participation in a fraternity or sorority hazing activities
* Non-completion of the degree program

### **6.) Is there an exam for the CHED Scholarship Program?**

CHED Scholarship has no qualifying exam. You only need to submit the requirements and meet the scholarship’s qualifications.

### **7.) Does the CHED Scholarship have a Return Service Agreement?**

Unlike [DOST Scholarship](https://filipiknow.net/dost-scholarship/), the CHED Scholarship doesn’t involve a return service agreement that scholars need to comply with after enjoying its benefits.

### **8.) When do I have to refund my CHED Scholarship?**

You only have to refund the benefits you received if you had committed any of the following:

* Enrollment in any of CHED non-priority program
* Submission of fake documents
* Offense involving moral turpitude
* Involvement in any fraternity or sorority hazing activities

**9.) If I transferred school, will I still be a TES grantee?**

**It is important that you take into consideration the qualification/eligibility requirements and the prioritization categories of TES if you will be transferring. Take note of the following below:**

* **If you are in the Listahanan category, you will still be a TES grantee as long as you transfer in an SUC, or CHED-recognized LUC, or if in a Private University, make sure you are enrolled in a CHED-recognized program/course. Also, make sure you provide endorsement letters from your previous school and the school you transferred to the CHED Regional Office is endorsing you to avoid problems.**
* **If you are in the PNSL category, make sure you transfer in a Private University or College in a city or municipality that have no SUCs or LUCs, and enrolled programs/courses that are CHED-recognized. Once you transferred in an SUC or LUC, or in a Private College located in a city/municipality that has SUC or LUC, you will not be eligible under PNSL category anymore, thus, losing your TES.**

**10.) If I am a TES grantee and I stopped school for a while, can I still be a grantee once I enroll again?**

**Read the following provisions below to check if you can still be a TES continuing grantee.**

**Under the TES Guidelines**

**XVII. RENEWAL PROCEDURES**

5. TES grantees who did not enroll for a certain semester should still be considered as continuing grantees provided that the following concur:

5.1. The **period of non-enrollment of the student** should only for **one (1) semester** in an academic year;

5.2. There is a **duly filed official Leave of Absence (LOA)**; and,

5.3. The student **continues to be eligible** for the benefits of TES.

**11.) Is TES application open for all year levels? What if I am in my Sophomore or Junior year?**

TES application is open for all year levels. So even if you are already in your 3rd year, if you are qualified and eligible, you can still apply for TES. And if you belong in the TES Priority Categories, included in the ranking covered by the budget, and approved in the validation, you will be included as a TES grantee.

**12.) Do I need to Apply to be a Scholar of Tulong Dunong Program?**

No, because CHED is the one who will choose whose students will be the grantees. You just need to wait if you are one of the lists of grantees in TDP.

<https://ched.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/CMO-8-s.-2019-Policies-and-Guidelines-for-CHED-Scholarship-Programs-CSPs.pdf>