**02. Categories of Scholarships and Waivers**

The categories of waivers and scholarships are as follows:

**A. Waivers on Admission Fee:**

a. General Admission Fee Waiver: For all

b. Special Admission Fee Waiver: Program-based (**new** provision; now under implementation)

c. Special Admission Fee Adjustment: Based on individuals

**B. Scholarships:**

i. General scholarships: Based on SSC and HSC, O-level, A-level, Diploma and Extended Diploma results

ii. Special scholarships: Based on need and/or merit

a. Founder Chairman’s Scholarships : Previously present, informally

b. SM Foundation Scholarships : Previously present, informally

c. Chairman of BoT, SMUCT Scholarships : Previously present, informally

d. Vice Chancellor’s Scholarships : New

e. Dean’s List Scholarships : New

f. Semester Result Based Scholarships : Previously present

iii. Scholarships for Foreign Students

**C. Waivers on Tuition Fee:**

a. Waiver for Siblings : Previously present

b. Waiver for Spouses : Previously present

c. Waiver for Wards of Freedom Fighters : Previously present

d. Waiver for Tribal Students : Prev. present

e. Waiver for Remote Area Students and Underprivileged Students : Prev. present

f. Waiver for Specially Abled Students : New

g. Situation-Specific Generalized Tuition Fee Waiver – I: (For Pandemic) : Prev. present

h. Situation-Specific Generalized Tuition Fee Waiver – II: (Depends on situation) : New

i. Other Special Category – III: (Depends on situation) : New

j. Special waiver for national level celebrities (players, singers, etc.) : New

k. Waiver for students of Masters Programs : Prev. present

Each category involves: The number of scholarships and amounts of scholarships in each scholarship category, the amount of waivers for each category and the terms and conditions for different kinds of financial benefits (scholarships and waivers).

**B**.  **General Scholarships:**

**01. Scholarships for all Admitted Students Based on SSC and HSC Results.**

**Amount:** The scholarship is provided on the tuition fee and its amount is certain % of the tuition fee decided on the basis of the average GPA of the SSC & HSC Exams.

The current % is shown in Page - 03. [The SWPFC proposes to retain it.]

It is to be noted that:

(a) If the division system is applicable, conversion to GPA has to be done.

(b) If the system is O-level, A-level based, conversion to GPA has to be done.

(c) If students are diploma holders, conversion to GPA has to be done.

(d) If students are from Extended Diploma background, conversion to GPA has to be done.

The Conversion Table is given in Page - 03. [The SWPFC proposes to retain it.]

**Current Scholarship Rate**

**General Scholarship Based on SSC and HSC and others:**

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **Faculty** | **Average GPA: (SSC+HSC)/2** | **% of Scholarship on Tuition Fees** |
| For all Departments under the  Faculty of Design & Technology  &  Faculty of Management &  General Studies | 2.00 to 2.99 | **10%**  (Upon Application) |
| 3.00 to 3.99 | **10%** - All Courses except FDT &  AMMT  **15%** - For FDT & AMMT |
| 4.00 to 4.49 | **20%** |
| 4.50 to 4.99 | **30%** |
| 5.00 | **60%** |
| Golden 5.00 | **100%** |
| For all departments under the  Faculty of Fine & Performing Arts | For All GPAs | **10%** |

**GPA Conversion Table**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Sl.  No. | Degree | Grade | Equivalent to  Average of SSC & HSC GPA |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 01 | A Level,  O Level | A | 5.00 |  |  |
| B | 4.00 |  |  |
| C | 3.00 |  |  |
| D | 2.00 |  |  |
| E | 1.00 |  |  |
| F, G | 0.00 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 02 | ND & ED | Distinction [D] | 5.00 |  |  |
| Merit [M] | 4.00 |  |  |
| Pass [P] | 3.00 |  |  |
| D, D, M | 4.67 |  |  |
| D, M, P | 4.00 |  |  |
| M, M, P | 3.67 |  |  |
| P, P, P | 3.00 |  |  |

**B.01 Conditions:**

i. The scholarships are for the newly admitted registered students and are applicable at the time of admission.

ii. The students with the average GPA less than 3.00 will have to formally apply within the date specified by the University Authority. [The SWPFC proposes within 15 days after the beginning of the first semester.]

iii. If a scholarship holder fails to maintain an SGPA of 3.00 in any semester (other than the first semester), his/her scholarship will be discontinued **from the following semester**. If the student again acquires an SGPA of 3.00 or more in any semester afterwards, he/she will again get his/her scholarship **from the corresponding next semester** at the rate he/she was enjoying before.

**Note:** Before the i-EMS (Integrated Education Management Software) is fully implemented, to avail the scholarship by the students who re-acquire a minimum SGPA of 3.00 in any semester, the students will have to apply for the scholarship in the next semester within the given date announced by the University Authority.

**E. General Conditions for all Scholarships/Waivers:**

The following conditions apply to all kinds of scholarships or waivers as the case may be.

i. No student will be entitled to get any scholarship if the study gap after his/her HSC Exam is more than 5 (five) years.

ii. The criterion involving the minimum number of credit hours to be taken, in all the semesters, has to be fulfilled. [The credit hours of the Retake Courses will be counted to determine the fulfilment of the minimum credit hours requirement. The credit hours of the courses taken for improvement will NOT be counted to determine the fulfilment of the minimum credit hours requirement.]

iii. There cannot be any ‘F’ grade in any of the courses (including the course(s) taken for improvement) during the semesters the scholarship holders or the waiver beneficiaries will be provided the respective benefits.

iv. Students with semester drop(s) or readmission will NOT be offered any scholarship/waiver in the first semester after resumption of study.

v. As for scholarship or tuition fee waiver, unless special conditions apply, a student will get the benefit ONLY from the category that provides the maximum benefit to the student and **no student can get benefits from more than one categories**.

vi. To avail any category of scholarship/waiver other than from the general categories, a student will have to apply for the scholarship/waiver within a specified date announced by the University Authority. [The SWPFC proposes within 15 days from the beginning of a semester.]

vii. Unless there is a change, the scholarship/waiver amount payable to any beneficiary in any semester **will be adjusted from the semester dues in the beginning of the semester involved**.