# Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati SCHOLARSHIP RULES

# 1. Institute Scholarships

# 1.1 Institute Merit Scholarship (IMS)

A. IMS is available for B.Tech. / B.Des. / M.Sc. / M.A. students of the institute. The scholarship is meant for the year-wise class toppers of all the streams and is awarded from the second year.

## **B. Eligibility Criteria:**

- i. The student has to complete without any break:
  - a. I and II semesters for the second-year scholarship.
  - b. III and IV semester, for the third-year scholarship (for B.Des. /B.Tech. students only).
  - c. V and VI semester, for the fourth-year scholarship (for B.Des. /B.Tech. students only).
- **ii.** The student should have cleared all the courses of the concerned semesters at the first available chance.
- **iii.** The student should have secured the highest yearly performance index (YPI) in the semesters taken for reckoning.
- iv. In case of a tie, all the students at the tie point will be awarded.
- **v.** Students with any punishments/penalties imposed for academic malpractices and/or for disciplinary matters dealt with by SDC are not eligible.

#### C. The period of the scholarship:

i. The student will be asked to apply every year for awarding the scholarship for that year, i.e., a period of two semesters.

Eligible students will receive the scholarship for a period of two semesters: August-November and January- April, covering 8 (eight) months in total.

#### D. Benefits:

The scholarship shall have the following benefits:

- i. A fixed stipend per month for two semesters (August-November and January-April totaling 8 months) of Rs. 1000 per month.
- ii. Tuition fee waiver for two semesters.

#### **E. Top-up Scholarships:**

A student may be allowed to receive IMS with any other external scholarships (other than those scholarships that do not allow funding from multiple sources) provided that the total amount of the scholarship does not exceed 1.5 times the amount of the IMS, subject to the condition below-

- a. If the external scholarship amount is greater than or equal to 1.5 times the IMS, the student may avail of external scholarships only and no IMS.
- b. If the external scholarship amount is less than 1.5 times the IMS, the student may avail of the external scholarship plus an additional amount from the IMS that does not make his total scholarship money more than 1.5 times the IMS.

# 1.2 Institute Merit-cum-Means (McM) Scholarship

A. Institute Merit-cum-Means (McM) scholarship is awarded to non SC/ST students in B.Tech. / B.Des. / M.Sc. / M.A. of the institute strictly on merit-cum-means basis and on the recommendations of the scholarship committee.

# **B. Eligibility Criteria:**

- i. Parents' income should not exceed the prescribed limit per annum, prescribed income limit for OBC (NCL) / EWS candidates (whichever is maximum) issued from time to time by GOI.
- ii. All 1st year B.Tech. / B.Des. / M.Sc. / M.A. students are eligible to apply. However, a CPI of 6.0 is mandatory for the 2nd, 3rd, and 4th year undergraduate and 2nd year M.Sc. / M.A. students. In case of a semester drop due to medical grounds, the semester drop will not be taken into account and he/she is eligible.
- iii. A maximum of 25% of the non SC/ST students in B.Tech. / B.Des. / M.Sc. / M.A. programmes are eligible for McM Scholarship as per the Statutes.
- iv. Students with any punishments/penalties imposed for academic malpractices and/or for disciplinary matters dealt with by SDC are not eligible.

## C. Calculation of points based on which selection is made:

A maximum of 100 points may be awarded to the student based on parents' income and CPI. The break-up is as follows:

Maximum points for parents' income
Maximum points for merit
50 points
50 points

#### Points for Parents' Income:

Annual income below Rs.2,00,000 50.0 points

For more than Rs. 2,00,000 to the maximum limit, reduce 2 points linearly per lakh in the interval of every one lakh.

<u>Points for Merit:</u> CPI multiplied by five for 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> year students, and for 1<sup>st</sup> year students, the percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination is

divided by two.

## D. The period of the scholarship:

- i. The student will be asked to apply every year for awarding the scholarship for that year, i.e., a period of two semesters.
- **ii.** Eligible students will receive the scholarship for a period of two semesters: August-November and January-April, covering 8 (eight) months in total.

#### E. Benefits:

The scholarship shall have the following benefits:

- i. A fixed stipend per month for two semesters (August-November and January-April totaling 8 months) of Rs. 1000 per month.
- ii. Tuition fee waiver for two semesters.

# F. Top-up Scholarships:

A student may be allowed to receive the McM scholarship with any other external scholarships (other than those scholarships that do not allow funding from multiple sources) provided that the total amount of the scholarship does not exceed 1.5 times the amount of the McM scholarship, subject to the condition below-

- a. If the external scholarship amount is greater than or equal to 1.5 times the McM scholarship, the student may avail of external scholarships only and no McM scholarship.
- b. If the external scholarship amount is less than 1.5 times the McM scholarship, the student may avail of the external scholarship plus an additional amount from the McM scholarship that does not make his total scholarship money more than 1.5 times the McM scholarship.

# 1.3 SC-ST Scholarships

A. SC-ST Scholarship is awarded to all B.Tech./ B.Des. / M.Sc. / M.A. SC-ST students on a means basis.

## **B. Eligibility Criteria:**

- i. Parents' income should not exceed the prescribed limit per annum, prescribed income limit for SC/ST candidates (whichever is maximum) issued from time to time by GOI.
- ii. All B.Tech. / B.Des. / M.Sc. / M.A. students are eligible to apply.
- iii. Students with any punishments/penalties imposed for academic malpractices and/or for disciplinary matters dealt with by SDC are not eligible.

## C. The period of the scholarship:

i. Eligible students will receive the scholarship for a period of two semesters:

August-November and January-April, covering 8 (eight) months in total.

**ii.** While all scholarships, including those for GEN and OBC students, will be governed by their respective norms and durations, any student other than GEN and OBC can avail of a scholarship from the Institute for a maximum of 6 years.

#### D. Benefits:

The scholarship shall have the following benefits:

- i. A fixed stipend per month for two semesters (August-November and January-April totaling 8 months) of Rs. 250 per month.
- ii. Free messing (only for the basic menu).
- **iii.** Exemption from hostel room rent.
- **iv.** Tuition fees are waived for all SC/ST students by the statute, irrespective of availing the SC- ST scholarship or not.

## E. Top-up Scholarships:

A student may be allowed to receive an SC-ST scholarship with any other external scholarships (other than those scholarships that do not allow funding from multiple sources) provided that the total amount of the scholarship does not exceed 1.5 times the amount of the SC-ST scholarship, subject to the condition below-

- a. If the external scholarship amount is greater than or equal to 1.5 times the SC-ST scholarship, the student may avail of external scholarships only and no SC-ST scholarship.
- b. If the external scholarship amount is less than 1.5 times the SC-ST scholarship, the student may avail of the external scholarship plus an additional amount from the SC-ST scholarship that does not make his total scholarship money more than 1.5 times the SC-ST scholarship.
- c. For calculating the scholarship amount, the messing charges of the most recent month will be used.

# 2. Other Scholarships

## 2.1 Indian Women's Association, Bonn (IWAB) Scholarship

- **A.** This is a scholarship for first year undergraduate girl students based on an endowment from the Indian Women's Association, Bonn.
- **B.** Eligibility criteria and relevant information:
- i. The girl students may apply during the even semester of an academic year.
- ii. The minimum SPI of 1st semester be 7.0 for the candidate to be eligible to apply for the scholarship.
- iii. The final recommendation made by the scholarship committee is on the consideration of both merit-cum-means of the candidate.

	iv. A recipient of McM Scholarship during the same academic period may not be awarded IWAB scholarship.
	C. Calculation of points based on which selection is made:
	<ul> <li>a. A maximum of 100 points may be awarded to the student based on parent's income and SPI. The break-up is as follows:</li> <li>Weightage of parent's income 50%</li> <li>Weightage of merit 50%</li> </ul>
	Parents' Income weightage:
	Annual income below Rs. 2,00,000.00 50.0 marks Rs. 2,00,000.00 - 3,00,000.00 47.5 marks Rs. 3,00,000.00 - 4,00,000.00 45.0 marks Rs. 4,00,000.00 - 5,00,000.00 42.5 marks Rs. 5,00,000.00 - 6,00,000.00 40 marks
	Merit weightage: SPI multiplied by 5.
	D. The period and component of the scholarship:  A fixed amount of scholarship is awarded for one year only.
	<b>E. Benefits:</b> The scholarship amount is currently Rs.25,000/- for one time
3.	Assistantships
3.1	Assistantships are provided to regular students (Indian nationals) in the PhD programme if they have an M.Tech. or M.Des. degree. Otherwise, assistantships are provided to regular students (Indian nationals) if they have a qualifying GATE or NET or CEED score and are in the M.Tech or M.Des or PhD programmes. GATE/CEED/NET score requirement for getting assistantships is exempted for students with B.Tech/B.Des/M.Sc/M.A degrees from an Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) with minimum CPI of 8.0.
3.2	Students receiving assistantships from the Institute or from any other Government funding agencies are required to perform academic duties as per prevailing rules.
3.3	Assistantships for the M.Tech and M.Des programmes are for a maximum period of two years, while for the PhD programmes the maximum period is 4 to 5 years based on joining time qualifications.
3.4	The amount of assistantship is as per notifications of MHRD, Govt. of India. currently, the assistantships are as follows:  M.Tech:  Rs. 8000.00 p.m  PhD:
	Qualifying degree Assistantship rates BE/BTech/MSc/MA equivalent 1st & 2nd Year: Rs.16,000/- p.m. Up to 5th Year: Rs.18,000/- p.m.

	ME/MTech or equivalent  1st & 2nd Year: Rs.18,000/- p.m.  3rd & 4th Year: Rs.20,000/- p.m.
3.5	A student who is a full time self-financed student can apply for assistantship after meeting the qualifying requirements as given in clause 3.1 above provided the student's admission to the programme was given as per merit using the same methods of evaluation as regular students and there were no relaxations in eligibility criteria. The duration of the assistantship, if awarded, will be for the remaining duration of the periods specified in clause 3.3 above.
3.6	A student who is a project staff or is getting assistantship or fellowship from a project or from other sources (such as CSIR) can apply for assistantship if the current source of funding for the students salary / assistantship / fellowship is no longer available. The student has to meet the qualifying requirements as given in clause 3.1 above and the student's admission to the programme was given as per merit using the same methods of evaluation as regular students and there were no relaxations in eligibility criteria. The duration of the assistantship, if awarded, will be for the remaining duration of the periods specified in clause 3.3 above.
3.7	A regular M Tech/Ph D student is allowed to receive Institute assistantship (other than those scholarships which do not allow funding from multiple sources, such as CSIR and UGC) along with any other external scholarship / assistantship / stipend provided that the total amount received does not exceed 1.5 times of the amount of institute assistantship, subject to the condition below.  a. If external funding amount is greater than or equal to 1.5 times of institute assistantship, the student may avail external funding only and no institute assistantship.  b. If external funding amount is less than 1.5 times of institute assistantship, the student may avail the external funding plus an additional amount from the institute assistantship that does not make the total money he receives more than 1.5 times of the institute assistantship.
4.	Application, Award, and Disbursement Processes for IMS, McM and IWAB Scholarships
	a. For McM notification through e-mail, web site, notice board is given to all the students in the of April-May every year.
	b. For IWAB notification through e-mail, web site, notice board is given to all the first Year students in the month of February-March every year.
	c. Applications for McM and IWAB in the prescribed form (Annexure A and B) duly completed by the candidates along with relevant enclosures should reach the Students' Affairs Section, within the stipulated time frame.
	d. For IMS scholarship there is no need for the students to apply since the lists of year Wise toppers are obtained from the Academic Section.
	e. The application received for McM and IWAB scholarships are placed before the scholarship committee after necessary verification and data entry by students' affairs section with inputs from the academic section.
	f. Information regarding list of branch wise toppers are obtained directly from the Academic section and placed before the scholarship committee.
	g. Based on the recommendation of the scholarship committee the Director approves the list of students for the award of McM, IMS and IWAB.

- h. The awards are announced in the month of October-November for McM and IMS and April- May for IWAB every year.
- i. Disbursement of the scholarship to the students is made by the Finance and account section after necessary clearance from the Student's Affairs section