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Higher Education Scholarship Scheme (KSHEC)

A merit-based scholarship from the Kerala State Higher Education Council for first-year degree students in basic sciences, humanities, social sciences and business studies. It can continue up to postgraduate level.

What you may get

The yearly amount rises from Rs 12000 in the first degree year to Rs 60000 in the final postgraduate year, as set in the Council guidelines. Students with 40% or more disability get 25% extra, and the money is paid to the student's bank account.

Who it is for

Meritorious first-year undergraduate students in non-professional subjects at government or aided colleges and university departments in Kerala.

Main conditions

- The course must be in basic sciences, humanities and social sciences, or business studies, at a government or aided college or university department in Kerala.
- Awards go by merit within each category, and OBC candidates must be below the creamy layer, with an income ceiling of Rs 6 lakh a year.
- A minimum percentage of Plus Two marks applies, and it differs by category and by stream.
- A student who already gets another scholarship or stipend, other than fee concession, is not given this award. SC and ST students may receive it together with the lump sum grant of their own departments.
- Renewal each year needs continued study with the minimum grade set by the Council.

Documents

- Original certificates and mark lists, shown to the college principal or head of the university department
- Certificate of SC, ST, disability or BPL status from the competent authority, where that category is claimed

How to apply

1. Fill in the online application form on the Council's scholarship portal, linked from its scheme page.
2. Take the printout of the filled form with your original certificates and mark lists to the principal of your college or the head of your university department.
3. The college verifies your papers and sends the application to the Council. Renewal is also done online every year.

Status

Active

Official source: https://kshec.kerala.gov.in/index.php/programmes-initiatives/fellowships-scholarships/higher-education-scholarship-scheme
Official application: https://scholarship.kshec.kerala.gov.in
Official PDF: https://kshec.kerala.gov.in/images/pdf/he_scholarship_-__guidelines_.pdf
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