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National Fellowship for OBC Students (NF-OBC), M.Phil and Ph.D

A monthly research fellowship for OBC students doing M.Phil or Ph.D, run through the UGC.

What you may get

Rs 25,000 a month at Junior Research Fellow level and Rs 28,000 a month at Senior Research Fellow level, for up to 5 years in total, paid from the date of registration.

Who it is for

OBC students admitted to a regular full time M.Phil or Ph.D in a UGC recognised university or research institution, selected as per the UGC notice.

Main conditions

- OBC category student.
- Regular full time M.Phil or Ph.D in a UGC recognised institution.
- Selected under the UGC advertisement for the year.

Documents

- OBC certificate
- Proof of admission and registration
- Mark sheets of the qualifying degree
- Other documents listed in the UGC notice

How to apply

1. Watch for the UGC advertisement and notice for the year on the UGC website and in the media.
2. Apply as directed in the notice with the documents asked.
3. If selected, the fellowship is paid from the date of registration.

Status

Ongoing

Official source: https://socialjustice.gov.in/schemes/7
Labh Lo page: https://labhlo.in/en/schemes/central/nf-obc-fellowship/

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