

Scholarship and Financial Aid Policy at CVV

Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth's (CVV) holistic review of applicants for admission considers several factors. These include academic track records such as CGPA in the previous programmes, the academic trend in the sense of the year to year improvement of academic records, the strength of curriculum, responses to the descriptive questions in the application, achievements in extracurricular and sports activities, and exceptional talent in one or two areas. The shortlisted students are invited to attend interviews (usually conducted online). Performance in the interview is taken into consideration when making the final decision.

The management of Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth (CVV) believes that 'means' should not come in the way of meritorious students desirous of pursuing higher education at CVV. Regardless of their background, CVV also recognises exceptionally talented students. CVV also recognises that lack of opportunities impact student performance and hence eligibility for scholarships.

Therefore, several categories of scholarship/financial support based on 'Merit-Cum-Means' are made available. Some of the scholarships are made possible by specific donors and may have specific requirements (such as majoring in a specific subject or interest in pursuing a career path) based on the terms of the scholarships.

General Merit Scholarship

These scholarships are awarded to those students with an exceptional record in both academic as well as extracurricular activities, and who have done extremely well in the CVV admission evaluation process.

Merit-Cum-Means Scholarship

These scholarships are awarded for meritorious students whose families have demonstrable financial needs. Students are evaluated based on their general merit as well as on the degree of need.

Special Scholarship Programmes

- **Chinmaya Alumni Scholarship Programme**

For the alumni of Chinmaya Vidyalayas or any school which has adapted the CVP framework.

- **Chinmaya Guru-Shishya/Guruputra/Guruputri Scholarship**

For children of active teachers in any of the Chinmaya Vidyalaya or for applicants with recommendations from Chinmaya Mission Swamins/Brahmacharin.

- **Smt. Susheela Acharya Endowed Scholarship for Music**

For students pursuing a degree in performing arts.

- **Knowledge, Traditions and Practices of India (KTPI) Scholarship**

For those who have taken KTPI courses in the 11th and 12th grade.

- **Chinmaya Fellowship for M.A. PPG/ LL.M.**

Outstanding applicants for the M.A. PPG and LL.M. programmes are considered for this prestigious award.

Financial Aid and Student loans

In addition to the scholarship opportunities listed above, financial aid opportunities are also available for students through student loans provided by partner financial institutions. CVV provides all necessary documents to help the students avail the loans.

A student may avail any combination of scholarship and financial aid. That is, a scholarship recipient may apply for a loan to cover the amount not covered by the scholarship. **To avail these opportunities, the CVV Scholarship and Financial Aid Application Form must be filled and submitted online.**

The award of a Scholarship is governed by the following regulations:

- All students admitted to any of the CVV programmes are eligible to apply for scholarships or financial aid.
- The scholarship committee evaluates each application individually for the possible award of a scholarship or a recommendation for financial aid. The full or partial waiver of tuition fee is awarded on a 'first-come, first-served' basis. Therefore, all else being equal, students applying earlier have a higher chance of getting a scholarship.
- Applicants who have been selected for a scholarship will be sent a Scholarship Award Letter (SAL) and an Acceptance Note that is to be completed and returned to CVV before the specified date, along with supporting documents, as mentioned below:
 - Parents/guardians who are either self-employed or have agricultural income, are required to submit an income declaration stating the definite income from all sources by way of an affidavit on non-judicial stamp paper.
 - Employed parents/guardians are required to submit self-attested photocopies of their salary slip (latest 3 months mandatory) and the Income Tax Returns (ITR), if any, for the last three years.

Note: Please attach THE AFFIDAVIT in ORIGINAL ONLY (Notarized by a Notary Public). You may retain a photocopy for your reference.

- Acceptance of the scholarship shall be communicated to CVV on or before the last date mentioned in the Scholarship Award Letter (SAL). Any delay in this communication will result in cancellation of the scholarship awarded to the student.
- The scholarship amount will be released/fee waivers will be invoked only on an annual basis. The continuation of a scholarship for the subsequent years is dependent on satisfactory academic performance and good conduct of the awardee, to be reviewed at the end of each year.
- If a student is found to have obtained a scholarship by producing false supporting documents or declarations; his/her scholarship will be cancelled forthwith. He/She will be required to return to CVV, the entire scholarship amount received by him/her.
- The management reserves the right to cancel the scholarship awarded at any time of the year, in one or more of the following cases:

All scholarship awards are made for one year at a time. For the continuation of the scholarship beyond the current year of award, the student must satisfy the following criteria:

- For the General Merit category, the student MUST:
 - Maintain a CGPA of 8 or above
 - Obtain a 'Good' conduct certificate from the Registry
- For Merit-Cum-Means category, the student MUST:
 - Maintain a strong positive trajectory in academic progress
 - Obtain a 'Good' conduct certificate from the Registry
- The management reserves the right to cancel the scholarship awarded at any time of the year, in one or more of the following cases:
 - If the student is found to be guilty of any kind of misconduct/violation of any rules and regulations of CVV.
 - If the student is on unauthorised absence for more than two weeks at a stretch or in a staggered manner.
 - If the attendance of the student is below 90% at any point in time.
 - If the student fails in any course/subject in a semester.
 - If the student withdraws admission in the middle of the academic year/before the stipulated end of the programme in which he/she is enrolled.
- In all of the above cases, the student will forfeit the entire scholarship for the then current academic year.
- Scholarship recipients will be required to take part in CVV promotional activities, correspond with donors regarding their academic progress, specific extra-curricular activities such as Chinmaya Values Team, etc.
- These guidelines are subject to modification or change, from time-to-time, at the discretion of the management of CVV.
- The decision of the scholarship committee is final on all matters. No further queries will be entertained.

NB: If a student is eligible for any scholarship from the Government and/or other sources, CVV must be informed in advance. CVV shall provide the necessary documentation and facilitate for the student to apply for the same. In such cases, the scholarship, if availing from CVV, shall be reduced to the extent of the scholarship received from Government and/or other sources. No combination of financial aid/scholarships can exceed the cost of attendance for an academic year.

Appendix

Conduct Certificate from Registry

CVV Students are expected to uphold the core mission of Purity, Spirituality, Practicality and Innovation. Students exemplifying these values will be recognised by the issuance of a 'Good Conduct' certificate, while students who flagrantly violate these principles will be issued an 'Unsatisfactory Conduct' certificate. Each CVV student is expected to maintain a 'Satisfactory Conduct' throughout their time at CVV.

The conduct certificate is based on the overall behaviour of the student both, within the classroom and outside. It reflects the degree to which they embrace the Chinmaya Mission pledge.

A conduct certificate may be issued by the Office of Registrar for one semester at a time. Even though the information required to issue this certificate is maintained by CVV on an ongoing basis, the certificate is issued only on request. Students who are on scholarship and receiving financial aid need to submit a 'Good Conduct' certificate to the Scholarship Committee at the beginning of every semester.