

SIBGA INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDIES (SIAS)

Merit-Based Scholarship Policy (Applicable to the students admitted in the academic year 2025-26)

1. Title of the Scheme

SIAS Academic Merit Scholarship Scheme

2. Objectives

- To promote academic excellence and encourage meritorious students.
- To provide financial support to students based on their Plus Two (or equivalent) marks.
- To attract high-performing students to the undergraduate programmes offered by SIAS.

3. Applicability

This policy applies to all students seeking admission to the **undergraduate programmes** offered at SIAS:

- BSc Geography
- BSc Psychology
- BCA
- BBA
- BCom Computer Application
- BCom Co-operation
- BA English

4. Scholarship Categories

Scholarships are awarded based on the percentage of marks obtained in the qualifying examination (Plus Two or equivalent).

Category	Marks Range	Scholarship Offered
Category A	90% and above	100% Tuition Fee & 50% Admission fee Waiver
Category B	80% - 89%	50% Tuition Fee & 25% Admission fee Waiver
Category C	70% - 79%	40% Tuition Fee & 20% Admission fee Waiver
Category D	60% - 69%	30% Tuition Fee & 15% Admission fee Waiver

Note: The scholarship is applicable only to tuition fees and admission fees and not to other charges like university fees, exam fees, hostel fees, etc.

For students who have made outstanding contributions in sports will be awarded scholarship on the basis of the following criteria:

Category A: Students who represented Kerala State at National Level and secured First, Second or Third Position in individual items.

Category B: Students who represented their district at State Level and secured First, Second or Third Position in individual items.

Category C: Students who represented their Schools at District Level and secured First, Second or Third Position in individual items.

5. Eligibility Criteria

- Applicant must have passed the Plus Two (or equivalent) examination in the academic year immediately preceding the admission.
- The marks considered will be the aggregate percentage of the subjects as per the Board/University norms.
- The candidate must have secured admission to any UG programme at SIAS either through the University Allotment or through Management Quota.
- Only students admitted in the **first year** of the programme are eligible to apply.

6. Application Process

- Students must submit the **Scholarship Application Form** available from the College Office/Website at the time of admission.
- Attach self-attested copies of:
 - Plus Two Mark Sheet
 - Transfer Certificate (TC)
 - Conduct Certificate
 - Income Certificate (if applicable)
- Submit the completed application form to the **Scholarship Cell** of the College within **15 days** of admission.

7. Selection Procedure

- Applications will be verified by the **Scholarship Committee**, comprising:
 - Principal (Chairperson)
 - Heads of Departments
 - Scholarship Coordinator

- The committee will recommend eligible students for the scholarship based on academic merit and availability of funds.
- The final list of beneficiaries will be approved by the Principal.

8. Continuation of Scholarship

- The scholarship is applicable initially for the first Semester and the continuation in subsequent semesters will be decided by the Scholarship Committee on the basis of the following criteria:
 - Securing **minimum 75% marks** in the University Examinations in the preceding semester.
 - Maintaining **75% attendance**.
 - Satisfactory conduct and discipline.
 - Any other criterion stipulated by the Scholarship Committee/Management
- Renewal applications must be submitted before the start of each Semester.

9. Terms and Conditions

- The decision of the College Scholarship Committee will be final.
- Misrepresentation of facts or submission of false documents will lead to immediate cancellation of the scholarship.
- The scholarship may be withdrawn at any time if a student is found involved in misconduct or poor academic performance.

10. Review and Amendments

This policy will be reviewed annually by the College Governing Council, and amendments may be made based on feedback, fund availability, and policy changes by the affiliating University or Government.

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