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#### **INTRODUCTION**

Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth (SBV) policy on Scholarship, Free ship and Fee Waiver is intended to provide reasonable guidelines for acceptance, establishment and disbursement of funds for students/scholars/faculty/staff of the Constituent Colleges/units of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, who are eligible to receive the same.

#### **DEFINITION**

**Scholarship:** It is a grant in monetary aid that is allotted to the undergraduate deserving students of the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences and Nursing Sciences who satisfy the norms as fixed by SBV.

**Free ship:** The annual tuition fees for the wards of employees of the constituent colleges of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth who satisfy the required criteria set by the deemed to be University are given full waiver of the annual tuition fees.

**Fee Waiver:** The annual tuition fees for the students of the constituent colleges of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth who satisfy the required criteria set by the deemed to be University are given partial waiver of the annual tuition fees.

**Research Promotion Schemes:** Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth implements various schemes in order to promote research among Undergraduate, Postgraduate, Ph.D levels, faculty and other staff.

**CENTAC:** CENTAC refers to Centralized Admission Committee as constituted by the Government of Puducherry for conducting counseling for admission of students into various courses offered at the colleges in Puducherry.

Scholarship Committee: Scholarship Committee is duly constituted by the Vice Chancellor to oversee the award of Scholarship/Free ship besides recommending Waiver of Fees. The Board responsibility of the Committee includes publicizing and soliciting applications culminating in final decisions based on the responses provided by the prospective applicants. The Committee is responsible for distribution of Scholarships, Follow up besides all process concerned with the application, delivery and fare selection.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP**

#### 1. SBV Chancellor Merit cum Means Scholarship

In order to provide financial aid to the meritorious but financially poor / unaffordable students undergoing various undergraduate programmes in the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences and Nursing Sciences at the constituent colleges of SBV, Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth has in place the Scholarship scheme called "SBV Chancellor Merit cum Means Scholarship".

- The Scholarship will be awarded to meritorious undergraduate students of Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, Faculty of Nursing Sciences but are financially poor/ unaffordable.
- 2. This scholarship is awarded to meritorious undergraduate students of Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, Faculty of Nursing Sciences whose parents/guardian's annual income is Rupees Three Lakhs and less than the same. The Income certificate issued by the appropriate government authority/employer of the parents has to be submitted.
- 3. Students who have passed the First year University Examinations in the first attempt (Semester/Non-Semester) are only eligible to apply for the award of this scholarship. This Scholarship can be applied by students who have cleared I Year to pre-final year.
- 4. This Scholarship amount to the eligible selected student will be towards full or partial annual tuition fee payable by the student and will be tenable for that particular year only.
- 5. The Scholarships will be awarded to Undergraduate students of Faculty of Allied Health Sciences, Nursing Sciences who satisfy points 2 and 3 and who has scored the highest marks from among the applicants in the previous year (Semesters marks taken together) Examinations and has no pending or any other complaint against him or her.
- 6. The Number of Scholarships awarded by SBV is at the discretion of the management for a particular year. In all the matters connected with or arising out, the decision of the Vice Chancellor will be the final.

#### 2. Institutional Scholarship

In order to provide financial aid to the students sponsored by the Government of Puducherry (CENTAC), Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth has instituted "Institutional Scholarship" for all the students who are sponsored by the Government of Puducherry (CENTAC) in the Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Dentistry and Faculty of Nursing Sciences.

- 1. All the students who are sponsored by the Government of Puducherry under (CENTAC) in the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Nursing Sciences are given a scholarship which will be from first year to the final year.
- 2. This Scholarship amount will be adjusted in the annual tuition fees paid by the student.
- 3. The Scholarship amount will be fixed by the management and can be revised.

#### **FREESHIP**

In order to honour the services of the long serving employees of the Constituent Colleges/units of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth, Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth offers Freeships to the wards of the employees who have been continuously serving SBV for a minimum period of ten years.

- 1. This Free ship is awarded to the wards of the employees, who are serving presently the Constituent Colleges/units of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth for a minimum period of ten years. The wards should be the students of Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry, Allied Health Sciences, and Nursing Sciences of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth.
- 2. The Free ship is awarded from the year one but will be continued for the next successive years only if the student secures First Class in the University Examinations (Annual/Semester(s)). The wards of the employees who are meritorious in their Qualifying Examinations at their Higher Secondary Level are eligible for Freeships.
- 3. The Free ship is awarded based on the discretion of the Chancellor of SBV based on the report of the employee certified by the Dean/Principal concerned and the HR department. The number of Freeships is at the discretion of Chancellor.
- 4. For the employee being eligible for consideration of the Freeship, he/she should be a regular employee (Non-teaching) of Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth/Constituent Colleges/units of SBV for a minimum period of ten continuous years at the time of applying for the Freeship. The employee during his service should not have had any disciplinary proceedings during his/her period of service. The employee should not have any pending loans or advance received from the management at the time of applying for the Freeships.

#### **FEE WAIVER:**

In order to meet the financial needs of the students who are economically backward, the scheme known as Fee Waiver is instituted at Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth for the Undergraduate students across all faculties of SBV.

- 1. The Undergraduate students across all faculties whose parents/guardian annual income is below Rupees Three lakhs, who are unable to pay their annual tuition fees, are eligible for this Fee Waiver Scheme.
- 2. Any student found eligible for Fee waiver under this scheme will enjoy the amount waived by the management from the first year to the final year of study.
- 3. The amount waived under the Fee Waiver scheme is decided by the Scholarship Committee and will vary from case to case.

The students admitted for the undergraduate courses offered under the Faculty of Allied Health Sciences at the constituent colleges will be given a Fee Waiver as decided by the Management in all the years of study irrespective of their socio - economic background.

#### RESEARCH PROMOTION SCHEME

Sri Balaji Vidyapeeth implements various schemes in order to promote research among Undergraduate, Postgraduate, PhD levels, faculty and other staff.

- 1. <u>M.V.K. Iyer Memorial Research Fellowship</u>: M.V.K. Iyer Memorial Research Fellowship is offered to the Full Time Ph.D Scholars in memory of the revered father of the Hon'ble Chancellor.
- The Candidate has to essentially qualify at the Common Entrance Test conducted by SBV on All India basis.
- Rank holders at the PG level will be given preferences. The selection of candidates will be based on the inter-se-merit of the candidates at the selection process.
- Full Time PhD Candidates selected for M.V.K. Iyer Memorial Research Fellowship should not avail any other government or private Scholarship/Fellowship/Assistance from any other source.
- The number of Fellowships will be determined by the management. The Fellowship will cover monthly stipend besides annual contingency grant.
- The Fellowship for the selected Full Time candidate will depend upon the satisfactory progress report of the candidate by the Research Supervisor.
- The M.V.K. Iyer Memorial Research Fellowship is offered for a period of three years for the candidate from the date of provisional registration. It will not be extended till the completion of the Full Time PhD programme.
- 2. <u>Postgraduate Research Incentives</u>: This incentive is awarded to the eligible Postgraduate students across all colleges and centres of SBV for
- Publishing in peer reviewed National and International journals with High Impact journals as decided by the committee headed by Dean - Research, SBV
- For presentation at National/International conferences based on Invitations as decided by the committee headed by Dean Research, SBV.
- Project subsidy is given to Postgraduate students across all the colleges and centres
  of SBV for carrying out project related work involving the use of reagents, assay kits
  and specific diagnostic procedures including MRI and CT investigations besides others
  tests carried out at the Central Laboratory at SBV, as decided by the committee
  headed by Dean Research, SBV.
- SBV provides Research Grants to such of those Postgraduate students who carry out a
  portion of their dissertation work at other premier/well established institutes of
  repute as recommended by the committee headed by Dean Research, SBV.
- 3. <u>Publication Support Grant:</u> The Publication Support Grant is offered to all the Postgraduate students across all disciplines of all constituent colleges and centres towards publication processing fee of their dissertations in peer reviewed National / International journals. The amount will be decided on case to case basis by the committee headed by Dean Research, SBV
- 4. <u>Undergraduate Research Grant:</u> Undergraduate Research Grant is provided for the students of the Faculty of Medicine / Dentistry whose project proposals submitted to ICMR (STS) have been turned down at the scrutiny level by ICMR. The selection of the project for receiving SBV Grants is based on merit of the project.

#### **APPELLATE AUTHORITY**

The Scholarship/Freeship/Fee waiver/Research Promotion scheme cannot be claimed as a matter of right for all matters related to difficulties encountered in the execution in the policy. The Vice Chancellor will be the appellate authority for any issue arising out of the expedition of the policy.

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