

FAQs

Q1. What is the eligibility criteria for the Scholarship?

- The candidate must be an Indian citizen.
- The candidate should possess a First-Class degree or an equivalent diploma of similar standard from a recognized University.
- The candidate should have secured admission or has applied for admission in reputable foreign universities for courses commencing from August 2024 but not later than February 2025.
- Candidates studying in the FINAL YEAR of the degree or diploma courses are also eligible to apply, provided they produce before end of June their final year marksheet or provisional certificate from the institute stating that they have completed their degree/diploma course and have secured a first class.

Q2. Can I apply even if I do not have confirmed admission?

Yes, you can apply and submit the application even if your admission has not been confirmed. However, you must update on the status of your application once your admission is secured.

Q3. How will I get to know if my application is shortlisted?

All shortlisted candidates will be communicated by June, through an email.

Q4. How do I update my application form after it is submitted?

The application form cannot be changed once it has been submitted. Any information that needs to be updated can be sent through an email to kcmetscholarships@mahindra.com by quoting your application ID.

Q5. What documents are required while submitting the application form?

The following documents are required to be submitted along with the application form. *(Please go through the list of documents required to be uploaded on the application portal. Kindly keep scanned copies of these documents ready before applying for the scholarship. Do note that if you are uploading scanned copies of the original document, then you do not need to self-attest the same.)*

1. Letter of Recommendation: A signed testimonial from any one of the referees mentioned (in the references section) can be shared in the following manner.
 - a. The LOR can be submitted along with the application. The letter (LoR) should be on the letterhead of the institute or company
OR
 - b. An email can be sent through the portal requesting your referee to upload the letter using the link provided on the email
2. Copy of Admission letter/s: Please note that if you are yet to receive an admission letter, you may upload a word doc stating that you have applied for admission but yet to receive the admission letter/email.
3. A short statement of purpose (SOP) as to the general aptitude and interest, the type of course the candidate would like to pursue and his/her ambitions and aspirations in life.
4. Copy of GRE/GMAT Score (where applicable)
5. Copy of IELTS/TOEFL Score (where applicable)

6. Evidence of course and degree certificates along with Mark-sheets
7. Rank certificate, if applicable
8. Copy of 10th & 12th mark sheets
9. Copy of the Passport
10. Your latest C.V

Q6. Is there any interest charged on the scholarship amount?

This is an interest- free loan scholarship.

Q7. What is the loan scholarship amount?

The maximum amount for the scholarship will be **Rs.5 lakhs** per scholar, except for the 3 K.C. Mahindra fellow scholarships for which the maximum amount will be **Rs.10 lakhs** per scholar.

Q8. Do you ask for any collateral security?

We do not insist on any collateral but applicants must have a guarantor. This is mandatory. The guarantor's liability is on par with the candidate.

Q9. Who can be a guarantor and what is the guarantor's responsibility?

The guarantor should normally be a parent(s)/guardian of the candidate. In the case of a married person, the guarantor can be a spouse or the parents-in- law. In case parent/s/spouse are unable to be a guarantor, a guardian or any relative (i.e. any member of the family such as brother, sister, father-in-law, mother-in-law, uncle, and aunt (both maternal and paternal) or any other relative may be the guarantor). A non-relative may act as a guarantor, subject to the Director's approval and submitting relevant documents.

Q10. Do you have any format for the Statement of Purpose (SoP)?

No, we do not have any specific format, but we do expect a good SoP. The SoP should highlight your purpose of applying to a particular course in a particular university. Through the SoP we want to understand your life and motivation for your chosen career path and goals. This essay should consist a gist of what you have done, what you are doing right now, and what you intend to do in the future.

Q11. Do you need a letter of recommendation (LoR) and is there any specific format?

Yes, we need at least one LoR, which can be written by a professor of the college or university where the candidate is studying OR the Employer, in case the candidate is / was working. The LoR should be addressed to K.C. Mahindra Education Trust.

Q12. When should I update my final choice of university for the course I intend to pursue?

You can update your final choice of university as soon as you decide to join the university of your choice. This step is mandatory to complete your application form.

Q13. When are the interviews held?

The interviews are held in July.

Q14. Are the candidates reimbursed for their travel and accommodation for the scholarship interviews?

The candidates coming from outside of Mumbai are reimbursed only for their travel and not for accommodation.

Q15. Where can any query be addressed?

For any queries or assistance, you can write to us on kcmetscholarships@mahindra.com