

AYUSH SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

Government of India through the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) has been offering scholarships to pursue Ayurveda Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy courses in India since 2005. The total number of scholarships offered for AYUSH courses initially was 30. Resurgence of AYUSH at international level has resulted in growing demand from foreign students to study in Indian Institutions. Keeping this in mind, the Department of AYUSH had proposed to support foreign nationals under its international fellowship programme for undertaking AYUSH courses at premier institutions in India. In addition to the 30 scholarships provided initially, another 20 scholarships are being provided under the International Cooperation scheme of the Department of AYUSH. The Department is also providing 20 scholarships to students of Malaysia.

Scholarships are provided for the following courses

Under Graduate courses

- Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery (BAMS): 5 ½ year degree course including one year mandatory clinical training

Eligibility: 12 years of schooling with science subjects

- Bachelor of Siddha Medicine and Surgery (BSMS): 5 ½ year degree course including one year mandatory clinical training

Eligibility: 12 years of schooling with science subjects

- Bachelor of Unani Medicine and Surgery (BUMS): 5 ½ year degree course including one year mandatory clinical training

Eligibility: 12 years of schooling with science subjects

- Bachelor of Homoeopathic Medicines and Surgery (BHMS): 5 ½ year degree course including one year mandatory clinical training

Eligibility: 12 years of schooling with science subjects

Post Graduate Courses

- M.D. Ayurveda : 3 year course

Eligibility: BAMS degree recognized by CCIM

- MD Siddha: 3 year course

Eligibility: BSMS degree recognized by CCIM

- MD Unani: 3 year course

Eligibility: BUMS degree recognized by CCIM

(It may be noted that amongst foreign universities only degrees of Sri Lankan Universities i.e. BAMS and BUMS from Institute of Indigenous medicine, University, of Colombo, Sri Lanka and BSMS from University of Jaffna, Sri Lanka are recognized by CCIM)

- MD Homoeopathy: 3 year course
Eligibility: BHMS degree recognized by CCH

(It may be noted that only the UG degrees of Indian Universities are recognized by CCH)

Ph.D. Courses

Ph.D in Ayurveda: 3 years course (only 1 seat is available for foreign students)

Eligibility: MD (Ayurveda) degree recognized by CCIM

Procedure for application

ICCR sends the offer letter for scholarships to Indian Missions abroad. Offer of scholarships are advertised by the Indian Missions in countries where the scholarships are offered. Application forms for scholarships are available with the Indian missions. Interested students are required to submit six complete sets of applications forms at the Missions. Applications should be properly filled-up and sent with complete supporting document. Certified copies of all documents should be accompanied with English translations, a syllabus of the qualifying examination should be enclosed with the application.

Selection procedure

Applications from the desirous foreign nationals received by the Indian Diplomatic Missions concerned are scrutinized and forwarded by them to ICCR for selection and placement. ICCR, however, does not consider applications which are received directly from the candidates. ICCR in-turn forwards the application to the Universities/educational institutions who have their own eligibility criteria. A scholarship is awarded only when the admission is confirmed by ICCR. Thereafter appropriate visas are issued by the Missions.

Financial Terms and conditions of AYUSH scholarship Scheme

Courses	Scholarships Rates (in Rupees)
<u>LIVING ALLOWANCE (STIPEND)</u>	
Undergraduate	4,500/-P.M.
MD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Year • Second Year • Third Year 	15,800+DA 16,950+DA 18,080+DA
Ph.D. a) First Year b) Second year	18,702+DA 19,323+DA
<u>CONTINGENT GRANT</u>	
Under-graduate	4,500/- pa
Ph.D. Course/ MD/ MS	12,000/-pa
<u>HOUSE RENT ALLOWANCE</u>	
a) in cities of Delhi, Bangalore, Kolkata, Chennai, Mumbai, Hyderabad & Pune	35,00/p.m.
b) In other cities	3,000/ P.M.
Tuition Fee/ Other Compulsory fee	As per actual
<u>THESIS AND DISSERTATION EXPENSES</u>	
For Ph. D. Scholar	10,000/-
For MD/MS and other courses required submission of project	7,000/-

To and fro airfare is provided to students from BIMSTEC countries only for travel from the capital of their country to the international airport nearest to the Institute in India.