



High Commission of India Lusaka



Scholarships under Africa Scholarship Scheme

The High Commission of India, Lusaka on behalf of the Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR), Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, invites applications from eligible Zambian nationals for scholarships in undergraduate/post-graduate/Ph.D courses under the Africa Scholarship Scheme. 10 (ten) slots are available for the academic session 2021-22 under this Scheme.

Applications are required to be made online only on the A2A portal of the ICCR, <http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in> (the application process is entirely online and no documents are required to be submitted physically to the High Commission of India or universities).

Detailed information on the application process is available on the A2A portal. However, important salient points of the admission process, which all applicants are requested to note are:

- (i) To be eligible applicants are required to be at least 18 years and not more than 30 years of age at the time of admission (July/August 2021).
- (ii) Applicants may apply for up to 05 (five) universities/institutes of their choice in preferential order. The portal provides web links of each university and courses offered by them. Interested students are advised to do prior research by visiting the university/institute website, ascertain their eligibility for the chosen course as well as general information about the university/institute. Applicants are required to upload their certificates including Mark sheets for 12 exams and other documentation as may be required by the university. As part of the admission process, Universities may conduct online interviews.
- (iii) For Bachelor of Engineering/Technology (B.E./B.Tech) courses, it is compulsory to have Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics in Grades 11 and 12. The scholarship scheme does not cover medical, paramedical (nursing/physiotherapy), fashion courses etc.
- (iv) The applications will be evaluated by the Universities and candidates whose applications have been found to be ineligible will be intimated directly by the universities. Successful candidates will be communicated by the High Commission of India through a Letter of Offer.
- (v) In order to assess proficiency in English, applicants are required to submit a 500-word essay.
- (vi) The scholarship includes air fare, tuition fees etc. but excludes laboratory charges in the case of science courses.

(vii) Scholarship awardees are mandatorily required to procure a medical insurance policy of value of Indian Rupees 500,000/- (apprx. USD 6800/-) at their own cost. It is up to the student to select a suitable insurance package which can be bought before or upon arrival in India. The A2A portal provides details of insurance companies who can be contacted for a quote.

(viii) The Universities and Colleges in India are autonomous bodies and selection of the candidate for admission in particular University /College is the prerogative of the concerned University/College. Submission of the online application form does not confirm admission. Applicants are advised to do due diligence & research of the university and the city in which it is located, the specific admission criteria laid down by the various Universities for each course, and ensure that they fulfil the admission criteria. They should submit all relevant documentation as required by the Universities in addition to the basic certificates mentioned in the online application form.

Important Timelines:

30 April 2021	Last date of online submission of application by candidates
25 June 2021	Last date for intimation by universities to the applicants with respect to the application
05 July 2021	Last date of allocation of scholarships and generation of Letters of Offer to scholarship awardees
12 July 2021	Last date for communication of acceptance by the candidates