

Consulate General of India Durban

Africa Scholarship Scheme (2020-2021) by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations

The Africa Scholarship Scheme for undergraduate, postgraduate and PhD courses by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations, (ICCR) for academic year 2020-21 has been announced. **Detailed guidelines on the process of applying for the scholarship and the procedure and norms governing the same is given on the A2A portal** <u>www.a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in</u>. Applicants may upload their applications with all relevant supporting documents after registering with the A2A portal. For any further clarification, you may contact: Mr Vigneswaran Sankaran (commerce@cgidbn.com) or Ms Jennitha Bunsee (media@cgidbn.com).

2. The scholarship slots include inter alia monthly stipend or living allowance, house rent allowance, a one-time thesis and dissertation expenses, medical benefits, and return economy class air fares to the nearest airport and 3rd AC train fare to the place of study, if so required. For science courses the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges will be borne by the scholars themselves.

3. Applicant must be **18 years of age** at the time of admission in Indian Universities/Institutes and **not more than 30 years of age**. A valid passport for the duration of the course is essential for successful submission of applications.

4. All candidates applying for Bsc / BE / B.Tech courses must ensure that they have taken physics, chemistry and mathematics (PCM) in their school leaving examinations, as this is mandatory for these courses. The applicant must be a serious student having sufficient proficiency in English, with no health problems and must submit complete true documentation.

5. For the entire duration of their studies, all the ICCR sponsored students must stay inside the hostel premises of the Universities/Institutes.

6. The Council does not arrange admission in Medical / Paramedical (Nursing/Physiotherapy/anesthesia etc.) and fashion courses.

7. Prospective students are advised to exercise due diligence & research in a dedicated manner on the specific admission criteria laid down by various Universities for each subject and ensure that they submit all relevant documentation as required by the Universities in addition to the basic certificates mentioned in the application form. For this, the students may refer to the Universities Handbook on the University grants Commission's website <u>https://www.ugc.ac.in/</u> and the concerned institute's website for eligibility criteria.

8. The last dates for uploading the application for all courses are as follows:

Sl. No.	Course Type	Last Date for Submission of Applications
1	UG, PG	29 February, 2020
2	PhD	31 August, 2020