

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 (Physics, Chemistry & Biology)
- 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 (Physics, Chemistry & Biology)
- 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 (Physics, Chemistry & Biology)
- 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 (Physics, Chemistry & Biology)
- B.Sc in Yoga : 3 year course
Eligibility: 12 years of schooling

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

Eligibility: MD (Ayurveda) degree recognized by CCIM

ICCR SCHOLARSHIPS

GUIDELINES FOR MISSIONS

1. Six complete sets of application forms (duly filled in, with all necessary supporting documents and properly tagged) are needed, one set to be retained by the Mission and the other 5 sets to be sent to ICCR.
2. Applications should be complete in every detail, and Mission should carefully scrutinize applications prior to forwarding them. Applications which are incomplete in any way will not be considered.
3. Please ensure that the candidate clearly mentions the course and university to which he/she is seeking admission (he/she can consult the "Universities Handbook" or university/ college websites) when giving his/her choices. For ready reference, the list of Universities where ICCR scholars are studying is also available in the ICCR website at www.iccrindia.net.
4. Certified copies of translations of documents which are not in English should be attached with the original documents.
5. The syllabus for the qualifying examination should be enclosed with the application.

NOTE : a) Students applying for doctoral/post-doctoral courses or Architecture should include a synopsis of the proposed area of research.

b) Students wishing to study performing arts should enclose Video/Audio cassettes of their recorded performances wherever possible.

5. Nominated candidates should have fluent knowledge of English.

The Mission should take care to verify the English skills of the applicant before forwarding his/her application. The Mission is required to so certify in the application form.

6. The Mission is the final authority for forwarding the list of nominations for processing by ICCR. **Please do not forward more than 50% extra applications against the allocated slots.**
7. In case of nominations by the local government a representative of the Mission must be associated while deciding the list of candidates whose nominations are to be forwarded to ICCR. Additionally, the Mission should either invite nominations directly through advertisement or through notices put up in its diplomatic premises. ICCR will not entertain applications which are sent to it directly by the students or which are sent by local Embassies/ High Commission in New Delhi.
8. Priority will be given to students who have never studied in India before. Student who have formerly studied on ICCR Scholarship should be given second preference.
9. No candidate should be nominated for MBBS/BDS and courses related to medicine.

10. Candidates should be informed that Indian universities/educational institutions are autonomous and independent and hence have their own eligibility criteria.
11. Mission should issue the appropriate visa only when the Council communicates confirmed admission for a particular student. Scholars for structured under-graduate and post-graduate courses should be issued Student Visas. M. Phil., Ph.D, Casual Research and Post-doctoral research scholars should be issued Research Visas.
12. According to the new rules, all students seeking admission to M.Phil and higher degree courses now require Research Visas instead of Student Visas. Mission must note that it is quite impossible to convert a Student Visa into Research Visa once a student is already in India. It is better to keep a student waiting in his/her country while their request for admission is being processed rather than send the student to India on some other visa.
13. Please issue visa for entire duration of course if MHA guidelines allow Mission to do so.
Note: Ministry of Home Affairs/Government of India guidelines stipulates that if a scholar arrives without the proper visa and his actual admission at the university/institute cannot materialize, he/she will be deported to his/her country for the required change in visas.
14. Before their departure for India the scholars must be adequately briefed by our Mission about living conditions in India and terms and conditions.
15. Hostel accommodation is not guaranteed. The small accommodation allowance that ICCR gives in lieu of hostel fees is paid only after prior approval of ICCR is obtained for staying in private accommodation. It is important that the students are aware of this situation.
16. Scholars should be advised to carry some money with them to meet incidental expenditure on arrival.
17. Please note in case of scholar pursuing science courses the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other related incidental charges will be borne by the scholars themselves.
18. One way tickets should be purchased only for those students who have been accepted under schemes which provide airfares.

APPLICATION WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY ICCR FOR PROCESSING AFTER 15th JUNE 2016.

APPLICATION FORM FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Space for
recent passport
size photograph

1. Full name (IN BLOCK LETTERS)
(Mr. / Mrs. / Miss)

2. Male () Female ()

3. Contact details:-

i.Tel:

ii.Email:

iii.Postal address:

4. Permanent home address (IN BLOCK LETTERS)

5. Date of birth _____ Nationality _____

6. Country of residence _____

7. Passport No. _____

i. Date of issue _____ ii. Date of expiry _____

iii. Place of issue _____

8. Details of Father / Guardian

Name:

Relation (F/G):

Occupation:

Nationality:

Address of Permanent
Residence of Father / Guardian

9. State in order of preference the Universities / Institutes in India in which you seek admission:

1.

2.

3.

NOTE:

There is no guarantee of admission in your choice of University / Institution. In case of non-availability of a particular course in a particular Institution, the Council will forward the application to other Universities/Institutions where such courses are available.

The Council would try to accommodate the candidates as per their choice of course/institute. However, the Council reserves the right to offer admissions for any course or institution in India even if these are not among the candidate's preferred choice. While the candidate may decide whether or no to accept such an offer, it may be noted that once accepted, no change in either course or University will be permitted.

10. State in order of preference the courses which you would like to study in India.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

NOTE: Candidate should be very specific and clear about the course of study, which he / she wishes to pursue in India. Scholarships are not available to pursue more than one course. The candidates must refer to the Universities/Institute Website to know the eligibility criteria for the courses of their choice.

11. PREVIOUS EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS (Fill in all columns which are applicable to you):

Certificate / Degree	Country	Name of School/ University / Board	Year of Graduation	Percentage
School Leaving (equivalent to Grade XII in India)			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Undergraduate (equivalent to three years course after grade XII in India)			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
Post graduate (Two years' Masters' course after the above mentioned undergraduate or five years' Masters' course after grade XII)			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
DOCTORAL (Ph.D.) (After Masters' Degree)			<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	Accepted <input type="checkbox"/> OR Not yet accepted <input type="checkbox"/>

Note: Details of any course in Indian Universities / Institutes which the scholar is currently attending or has attended in past may be given below.

Year	Name of University / Institute	Course

12. Have you ever availed of ICCR Scholarship earlier? If so, please give full details.

- (i) Year of Scholarship
- (ii) Name of Course
- (iii) Name of the Institute / University
- (iv) Total duration of stay in India on scholarship

Date

Place

Signature of Applicant

I hereby declare that the particulars given above are true to the best of my knowledge and belief, that I have understood the terms and conditions of the Scholarship Scheme as given above and in Annexures II and III and hereby undertake to abide by them, and that I also undertake to return to my country after completion of my studies in India.

Signature of Applicant

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICAL FITNESS

Name of Applicant :

Sex : M (____) F (____)

Marital status :

Age :

Blood Group :

Nationality :

Address :

City :

Country :

Email ID :

Certified that the applicant has been examined by me and necessary tests carried out and he/she is not suffering from any disease. He/ she is physically fit to travel to India and join the University.

Date:

Name of Doctor:

Address:

Signature:

scholarship/the type and duration of the course to which he/she is admitted. Scholars should inform the Indian Embassy/High Commission of their travel schedule well in advance so that ICCR can make reception and other arrangements for them.

11. **Scholars are advised to bring some money with them to meet incidental expenditures on arrival in India.**
12. The scholars who are awarded scholarships should bring with them all documents relating to their qualification **in original** for verification by the respective college/university at the time of admission.

Formalities to be completed on arrival

Upon arrival in India all scholars should register themselves with local FRRO within 7 days or within the stipulated time as directed by the Indian High Commission/Embassy concerned while issuing visa. After registration, students are required to obtain Resident Permit within 90 days.

Admission formalities

- Students should ensure that the Institutes forward their Joining Reports to the ICCR immediately after they join their courses, duly signed and stamped by College's Authorities, to enable ICCR to remit Tuition Fees/Other Compulsory Fees and other admissible dues at an early date.
- Due care should be taken by the students while filling up column nos. 9 & 14 of Joining Report regarding duration (year and month) and break – up of tuition fees, as Council is not mandated to pay any caution money/security deposits/uniform fee etc. These fees, if any, may be paid by the students directly, and any refundable deposits would be refunded to them on completion of their respective courses by the concerned Institute/College. The Council gives scholarship upto declaration of result. Due care should, hence be taken while filing up column no.9 of the Joining Report, in consultation with the college authorities so that the period includes the declaration of results as well as the stay required for collection of provisional certificate after the final exams.

Payment Criteria for stipend, house rent and contingent allowance.

- Amount payments made under scholarships are given in Annexure – III.
- The Scholarship commences from date of arrival in India. Living allowance and house rent is paid on pro-rata basis in advance for 3 months in cash by ICCR HQs/Regional Offices. Further payments are released on receipt of joining report and are paid monthly/quarterly through the SBI account/University concerned.
- Miscellaneous expenditure such as mess charges for those staying in hostels have to be met by the scholar from his stipend or personal resources.

- Contingent allowance is given every year only until the end of the course to meet expenditure on purchase of books, stationery etc. It is not given during any extension period which may be sanctioned for a particular student. For Ph.D. scholars, the contingent grant is given for a maximum of five years.
- In case of Ph.D. scholars, the scholarship is for a maximum of five and a half years, (inclusive of extension/viva voce) or for the total duration of research (until the submission of the thesis) plus six months for viva voce, whichever is earlier.
- For continuation of scholarship payments, all scholars must submit annual progress reports and copy of valid Resident Permit.
- Ph.D. scholars travelling outside the country for data collection are eligible to draw 2 months stipend for the ex-India period **only once during their scholarship tenure**, subject to the necessary certificate from their supervisor and invitation of host organization and advance approval of the Council well in advance. All travel expenses are to be borne by the scholars themselves.
- Progress Report, along with certified copy of mark-sheet, must be submitted every semester/annually to ensure continuation of scholarship by the Council.
- The stipend and HRA will be paid only up to the declaration of result/receipt of provisional certificate and **not upto the issuance of degree by the Institute/University.**
- No stipend is released during ex-India period but house rent is released for a maximum period of two months.
- Hostel accommodation is not guaranteed and is an exception rather than an assured facility. The accommodation allowance (HRA) that ICCR gives allows 2 to 3 students to "chum up" and share a small flat. Please note that prior approval of Council is required for continuation of HRA beyond the initial three months period. ICCR will only pay hostel fees and not mess charges or security deposits/ caution money. **Once the hostel seat is allotted, no HRA will be paid to the scholar if they vacate the hostel.**
- If a scholar is hospitalized in India for a period of one month or longer, the scholar's living allowance will be reduced by 50%.
- For those scholars who are pursuing science courses, the expenditure on laboratory chemicals and other incidental charges are to be borne by the scholars themselves.
- Under the scholarship schemes, expenses on study tour are met by the ICCR only if the .tour proposal is endorsed by the supervisor/teacher or head of the Institution concerned, certifying that the tour is an integral part of or essential to the course of study or training. It is mandatory to take the Council's prior permission before proceeding on tour. ICCR reimburses to and fro 3rd AC train fare or the actual bus fare of

any state transport (upon production of original receipts), together with the stipulated daily allowance, in addition to the normal stipend. This would be decided depending upon the course/research work the student is involved with.

- If a student decides to return to his/her country before the completion of the course, he/she would not be entitled to a return passage (in cases where ICCR has agreed to pay international airfares). The expenditure would need to be borne by the scholar himself/herself. On returning to his/her country, he/she is required to refund the amount of airfare paid by the Indian Mission for travel to India as well as the scholarship amount paid by ICCR during his/her stay in India.
- ICCR will not pay airfares or any other expenses related to students travelling outside India during vacations or during the duration of the course.

Payment of tuition fees/Registration fees

- All tuition fees, university exam fees and other compulsory fees which are not refundable are paid directly by the Council. All refundable deposits will be paid by the scholar himself/herself.
- If any of the Colleges/Universities/Institutes ask the scholar to pay tuition/other compulsory fees, the student may approach ICCR with the claim.
- If a student pays tuition fees/ other compulsory fees on behalf of ICCR to the College/Institute, he/she is entitled to get reimbursement on submission of the original receipt/voucher etc. issued by the University/College/Institute.
- Registration fee/tuition fee etc. would not be paid for the extension period unless approved by the Competent Authority.

Reimbursement of Medical Claims

- In case of illness, a student should first visit the University/Institute's clinic for treatment. The ailing student may, subsequently visit a government hospital or a private hospital on the CGHS/University's panel with the written recommendation of the University's Medical Officer, and only if that particular medical treatment or procedure is unavailable in the university clinic.
- In an emergency situation, students can avail of treatment from CGHS approved private hospitals. In such cases, an emergency certificate is required from the concerned hospital. All reimbursements are made as per approved CGHS rates, even where CGHS facility is not available.

- Student should submit the medical claim to ICCR in the prescribed proforma (available with ICCR HQs/Regional Offices). Medical reimbursement forms must be accompanied by all original vouchers, prescriptions, cash memos for medicines and test reports duly signed by the attending doctors and the International Students Advisors of the University. No claim will be entertained with only the hospital stamp.
- If medical treatment is being availed of outside the state where they are pursuing their studies, reimbursement will be made only if proper procedures mentioned above fulfilled. In any case, travel expenses will not be reimbursed.
- No reimbursement is admissible for expenditure incurred on family members who accompany the scholar to India.
- No reimbursement will be made against expenditure in tonics, dental, artificial aids, spectacles, acne treatment and any other item not covered under CGHS norms.
- All claims to be submitted within one month of the treatment for reimbursement.

Guidelines for Shifting from Hostel to Private Accommodation

1. Given the overall shortage of adequate hostel facilities in most of the educational institutions in India, securing a seat in the hostel is highly coveted. In view of this, the ICCR does not usually permit shifting out of hostel to private accommodation for those students who are allotted hostel facility **without prior permission of the Council and the Hostel authorities.**
2. The student's request for allowing change with reasons/justification, should be forwarded through the concerned International Students Adviser (ISA)/Hostel Warden to the ICCR's Regional Office (Headquarters in case of students residing in Delhi) which in turn would forward the request to the ICCR's headquarters. **The request for intent to shift should be submitted to ICCR well in advance, at least two months before the intended change.**
3. Please note that changeovers are not usually permitted and will be allowed only in exceptional circumstances.
4. In case a student's request is accepted by the Council, he/she will be intimated of the same through the concerned Regional Office. On receipt of the approval, the student may vacate the hostel and furnish a "No Dues Certificate" from the Hostel to the concerned Regional Office/ ICCR Headquarters, to avail release of House Rent Allowance (HRA).

5. In case a student's request is rejected by the Council, but he/she insists for change, they may do so at their own expense. The ICCR is not liable to pay HRA in such cases. Moreover, the student may also be liable to refund the annual/monthly hostel charges if already paid for by the Council.
6. In all cases where students shift from hostel to private accommodation, whether with approval or otherwise, it is mandatory to submit the latest residential address to the Council if not submitted before.

Mandatory Attendance

- Students must ensure that they have completed the mandatory attendance as required by that particular University to be eligible to take their exams. The Council will not issue any recommendation letter if the scholar is short of attendance.
- Council would not extend the scholarship period if the scholar is detained/debarred from sitting in the exam due to shortage of attendance.

Return journey to home country

- Students should leave the country immediately after the completion of their studies. Under normal circumstances, the time gap between completion of studies and final departure should not exceed one month.
- A scholar wishing to travel outside India during the course of study for personal reasons may do so at his/her own expense and with the prior permission of ICCR and the Institute where he/she is studying.

Discontinuation/Cancellation of Scholarship

- Generally ICCR discontinues scholarship payment when a scholar fails in his/her examination. The student is then asked to clear his/her examination as a self-financing student, with the clear understanding that ICCR would revive his/her scholarship only after he/she clears the examination successfully within one year. If he/she fails again, the scholarship would be cancelled.
- Scholarship could be cancelled if the scholar fails repeatedly or is involved in exam-malpractices/anti-social activities, or is found violating the terms and conditions of ICCR scholarships.

**Financial Terms and conditions of AYUSH scholarship under Scheme for
Promotion of International Cooperation in AYUSH**

Courses	Scholarships Rates (in Rupees)
<u>LIVING ALLOWANCE (STIPEND)</u>	
Undergraduate & Diploma	8,000/-P.M.
MD	
• First Year	15,800+DA
• Second Year	16,950+DA
• Third Year	18,080+DA
Ph.D.	
a) First Year	18,702+DA
b) Second year	19,323+DA
<u>CONTINGENT GRANT</u>	
Under-graduate & Diploma	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	3,500/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/-
FAMILY ALLOWANCE (to be provided to students who are staying in India with their families)	
Ph.D. Course/ MD/ MS courses	Rs. 10,000/pm
<u>To and Fro AIRFARE</u>	
For all courses	Provided to all students every year for travel from the capital of their country to international airport nearest to the Institute in India. In case of Ph.D./MD scholars airfare on the above pattern will also be provided to the spouse and dependent children.

ICCR SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME
Undertaking from student

I, Mr./Ms. _____, do hereby affirm that I have understood all the terms & conditions of ICCR's scholarship scheme & agree to strictly abide by them for the duration of my study in India under this scholarship.

I confirm that the course (_____) being offered to me in _____ University/College is acceptable to me & that I will not ask for a change of either course or institution after my arrival in India.

I undertake to ensure that the attached Joining Report (Annexure-I) is filled in and sent to ICCR, duly stamped by University/College in which I have enrolled, within one month of arrival in India.

I also agree to refund all expenses incurred by ICCR on my behalf if I decide to leave India before the completion of my course.

Scholar

Guardian

Signature :

Name :

Date :

Passport No.:

INDIAN COUNCIL FOR CULTURAL RELATIONS
AZAD BHAVAN, I.P. ESTATE, NEW DELHI-110002.
International Scholarship Division

JOINING REPORT OF THE SCHOLAR

Part - I : To be filled in by scholar except S. No. 10.

Part - II : To be filled in by University/ISA/Principal including S. No. 10/Part - I.

1. Name of the scholar :
2. Name of the scheme under which selected :
3. Country of domicile :
4. Course of study to which admitted :
5. Date of leaving home country :
6. Date of arrival in India :
7. Passport number with place of issue, date of issue and date of expiry :
8. Date of joining the Institute/University :
9. Name of the Institute/ University where admitted :
10. Duration of the entire course : Month Year
From:
To :
11. Contact details in India :-
a) Name and Address of Hostel :
- b) If hostel accommodation not Provided, address of private accommodation :
- c) Tel (Landline) :
- d) Tel (Mobile) :
- e) Email :
12. Roll No./Reg. No./I.C. No. :

Note : Please ensure that the form is duly stamped and signed by concerned authorities in the Institution/Universities where the scholar joins. For students in Delhi, Aligarh, Hisar, Roorkee the joining report may be sent, to ISD-II/ISD-I/Afghan Section, ICCR, New Delhi in person or by post.

13.	I. Compulsory Fees	:	I	II	III	IV	V
			YR.	YR.	YR.	YR.	YR.
	Tuition fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Admission fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Enrolment fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Registration fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Laboratory fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	College Exam. fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	University Exam fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	II. Other Compulsory Fees – (As per University Fee Circular)						
	Marks sheet fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Identity Card fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Library reading room fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Gymkhana/Games/Athletic fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Union fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Association fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Recreation fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	III. Refundable Charges – (To be paid by scholar)						
	Medical fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Visual fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Poor Student Aid fee	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Name of any other fee which is compulsory	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	IV. Hostel Rent						
	Room rent	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	Water charges	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
	electricity charges	:	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----

Any other charges not covered above & details thereof:-

Note: - In case the scholar has not been allotted any hostel accommodation for himself **due to non-availability of accommodation in the hostel**, a certificate to this effect stating that "This is to certify that as no hostel accommodation was available, the scholar could not be provided hostel accommodation and he /she has hired private accommodation for which he is paying Rs. _____ P.M. to the land lord" **may be sent to the Council separately.**

Signature of Head of the Institute : _____
 Name in Block Letter : _____
 Designation and seal : _____

Important: Students may kindly note that in any future correspondence with ICCR, the name of the country, scholarship scheme and year of joining must be mentioned.