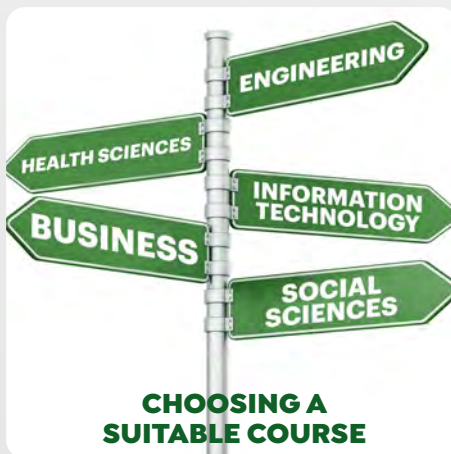


STUDENT GUIDEBOOK



**FOR GENERAL EDUCATION DIPLOMA-CERTIFICATE
AND EQUIVALENT QUALIFICATIONS**

ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/22



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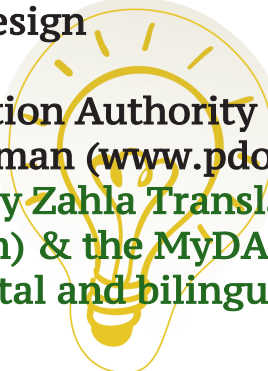
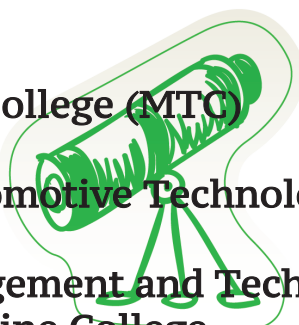
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FOREWORD

Dear Grade 12/Year 13 Student,

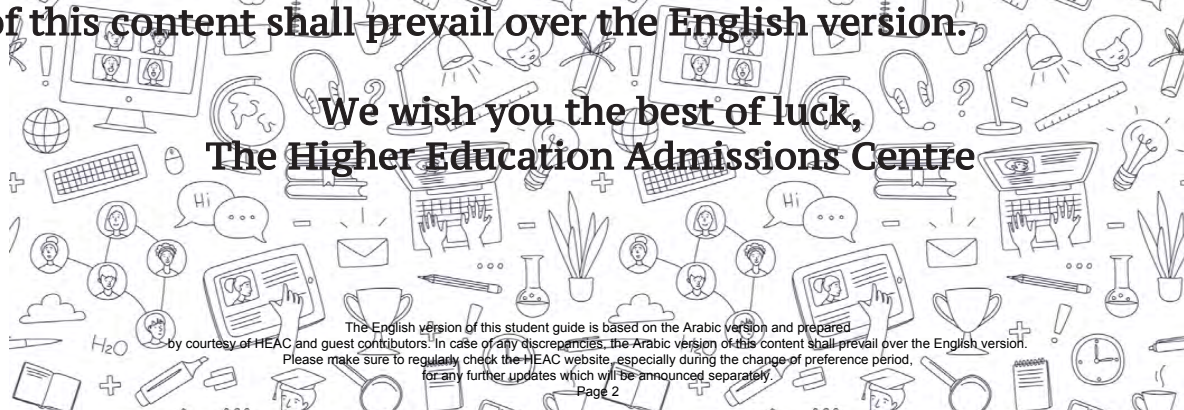
This Student Guide is designed to assist you to submit your online competitive undergraduate scholarship application to the Higher Education Admissions Center (HEAC) in order to competitively apply for seats for study at Government Higher Education Institutions (HEI) in Oman, internal scholarships for study at private HEIs in Oman, external scholarships for study abroad and/or externally sponsored study grants. You will first need to register as an applicant and obtain an username and password by visiting the HEAC website (heac.gov.om) before the 1st of July 2021. Before you register as a prospective scholarship applicant, we would advise you to first read the content carefully outlined in this handbook, which contains an overview of the online application process and with which you are expected to be familiar. Also included are guidelines on how to select your preferences and an overview of the requirements (standard eligibility criteria) for the scholarships listed for the academic year 2021/22.

This year, the May-June period is the registration phase, which takes place prior to when your final school grades will be announced. The purpose of this phase is to provide you with an opportunity to carefully explore and select different types of scholarships. You may also want to consult others during this period to help you select suitable scholarships and start ranking them in order of personal preference. During the registration phase, you will need to register and obtain a username and password. You are also advised to select as many options as you can by filling out the online application form.

However, don't worry. As long as you are registered as an applicant before July 1 and selected at least 12 or more options, you will be provided with another opportunity to make changes in your list of scholarships, including additions, removals and/or altering your ranking of preferences. This opportunity will be provided to you during the change of preference period in August after the final school grades and, if applicable, important updates are announced. We strongly advise you to go through the timetable in this handbook as you need to be aware of the relevant deadlines for timely submission of your online application.

While every effort has been made to ensure that this book is accurate and up to date, it may include typographical or other errors or updates due to circumstances beyond our control. Any changes made to this publication will be incorporated in separate announcements on the HEAC website so make sure to check back often. The English version of this student guide was put together at courtesy of the HEAC and guest editors. In case of any discrepancies, the Arabic version of this content shall prevail over the English version.

We wish you the best of luck,
The Higher Education Admissions Centre





REGISTRATION AND ADMISSIONS PROCESSES

ABOUT THE HIGHER EDUCATION ADMISSIONS CENTRE (HEAC)

The Higher Education Admissions Centre (HEAC) is one of the Directorates of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (MoHERI) in charge of coordinating with the concerned authorities to enroll eligible applicants, who have obtained the General Education Diploma (GED) or other school qualifications, to higher education institutions (HEIs). The HEAC also receives, reviews, and registers all student applications through an electronic system that can be used online and/or with the support of an SMS service and smart phone application (ELTAHIQ).

The HEAC Admissions System: The HEAC's electronic system is designed to receive, review, and register all student applications to higher education programmes, external and internal scholarships and grants for undergraduate level and competitively selects students who meet the admissions or eligibility criteria.

Application form: The online application submitted by the student, including their preferences and is available with the admissions system on the HEAC website and on the final pages of this guide.

Seat: A scholarship that allows you to study at one of the Government HEIs in Oman.

Internal or External Scholarship: Financial aid that enables you to study at either a private HEI in Oman (internal scholarship) or at an approved overseas HEI (external scholarship).

Grant: Financial aid offered by third parties in Oman and/or abroad.

In the following chapters of the student guide you will find information about seats, internal scholarships and internal study grants, external scholarships and external study grants, and you will find more information about the requirements (criteria). The HEAC receives the data regarding seats and grants directly from the Government higher education institutions and grant awarding organisations, while the parts of this guide pertaining to the external and internal undergraduate scholarships (in view of the conditions, courses and criteria) were researched and put together by the concerned scholarships departments, in close cooperation with the concerned HEIs, and these departments are part of the Directorate-General of Scholarships, MoHERI. **PROGRAMMES VS SCHOLARSHIPS:** In the English version of this guide, the term 'programme' البرنامج or albarnamuj is replaced with 'scholarship' to avoid confusion and scholarship is defined as a type of financial aid for the purpose of pursuing your studies and this can be either a seat at one of the Government institutions, an internal scholarship or grant allocated to one of the private HEIs in the Sultanate, or an external scholarship or grant to study abroad. All of these scholarships (listed by code and categories) cover at least one or more diploma or undergraduate degree courses.

THE ONLINE HEAC ADMISSIONS SYSTEM: WHO CAN APPLY?

The following students are considered eligible to competitively apply for scholarships through the HEAC electronic system:

1. Omani students who have achieved a General Education Diploma (GED) qualification at a school in the Sultanate and upon completion of the school year 2020/2021.
2. Omani students who, upon completion of the school year 2020/21, achieved a qualification recognised as equivalent to the Omani GED. This category includes, for example, students of the Royal Oman Guard Technical School, Islamic Institutes, Private Bilingual Schools, Community Schools and Private Schools offering international qualification programmes in the Sultanate of Oman.
3. Omani students who studied at an overseas school and, upon completion of the school year 2020/21, achieved a qualification recognised as equivalent to the Omani GED.
4. Students who have been exempted from having to be an Omani national to study at one of the Government HEIs in the Sultanate and who have a GED or an equivalent qualification upon completion of the school year 2021/2022.

ONLINE REGISTRATION CRITERIA

A student must meet all of the following conditions to be eligible to apply to government funded scholarships, seats or externally funded study grants:

- be an Omani national.
- graduate from school in view of the current school year 2020/21.
- not aged older than 25 years or younger than 16 years on October 1 in the current school year (hence, they were born after October 1, 1996).
- meet the MINIMUM or STANDARD eligibility criteria for their preferred scholarships as listed by category and code in this Student Guide.

Nota Bene: Students who have registered in (Adult Education System) and are employees in the (public or private) sector must provide the institution with a No-Objection Certificate from their employer to be registered as full-time students.

THE STUDENT'S COMPETITIVE SCORE

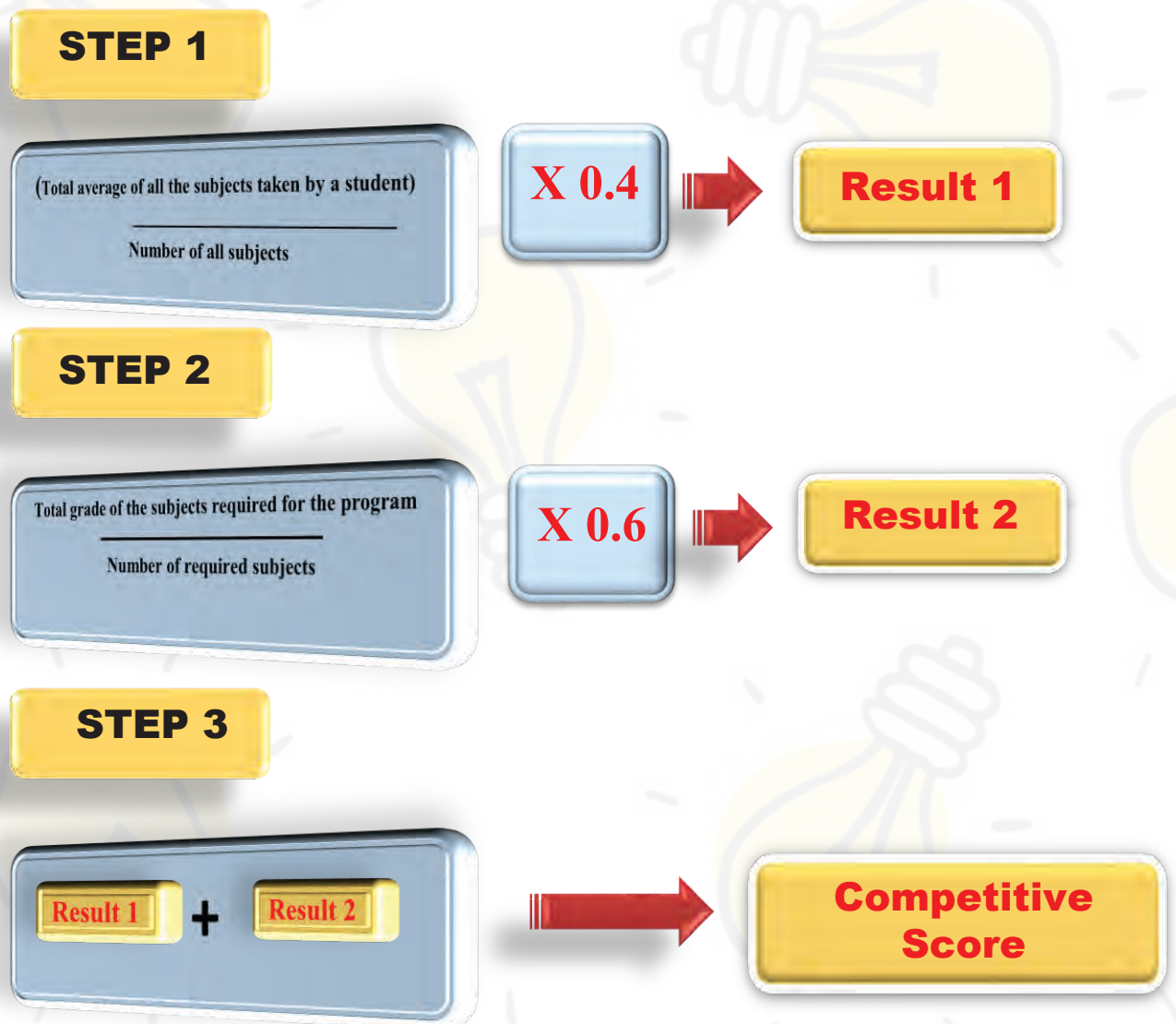
The competitive score is the criterion that defines an applicant's competitiveness among the other eligible or earmarked candidates in view of *most* of the scholarships, and is based on their school grades. A student's competitive score may vary from one scholarship (listed by categories and codes) to another depending on the required subjects (as per the minimum requirements) and based on his/her marks achieved in these essential subjects.

In arriving at the score, the HEAC considers the following: The (total marks of subjects required for a specialisation) x 60% or 0.06 to calculate competitive score is as follows:

Calculation of Competitive Score for GED and equivalent qualifications= (total sum of all marks in subjects required for a scholarships) x 60% or 0.06 + (total sum of all marks achieved in subjects taken by the student) x 40% or 0.04

CALCULATE THE COMPETITIVE SCORE FOR GED AND EQUIVALENT QUALIFICATIONS

Figure 1



RESIT OR REMARK STUDENTS

- ALL students shall competitively apply for scholarships during the indicated registration period, regardless of the (predicted) final school grades. Those who fail to timely register or fail to make changes to their order of preferences after the announcement of final school grades, will not be able to do so after the relevant deadlines, e.g. during the following allocation rounds.
- Those who failed in one school subject or more should select and make changes to their scholarship preferences within the relevant deadlines in order to avoid losing their right to compete against other students if they do pass the resit exams and/or successfully apply for a remarks. If the resit or remark results are announced after the first allocation, they should notify the HEAC about their resit/remark status to withdraw from the first allocation round.
- All students shall select scholarships covering one or more course(s) according to their personal preference and their predicted results that reflect their actual levels achieved at school.
- Students who resit final exams will no longer be able to competitively apply for scholarships requiring face-to-face interviews, admissions tests, screenings or medical check-ups because relevant deadlines of these admissions procedures end before the announcement of resit exam or remark results.
- The HEAC may competitively award available scholarships (during an allocation round other than the first) to resit or remark applicants based on availability, their eligibility and the competitive scores of the already shortlisted candidates in view of the scholarships they applied for. Their competitive score should be higher than or at least equal to the lowest competitive score of the already shortlisted recipient, aka students who have been awarded this scholarship during the previous (first) allocation.
- Resit students have the right to lay claim on a place they are entitled (based on their competitiveness) via a deferral to the following academic year, IN CASE all places allocated to the scholarships they listed have already been awarded and hence, there are no available places after the first allocation round OR the course has already started (the allocation does not coincide with programme joining dates), and/or the concerned higher education institution does not accept any new student after a certain date.

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Students with disabilities should select scholarships comprising programmes that are **accommodative of their disabilities**. For example: A student with a physical disability should not apply for scholarships that consists of a programme(s) that require(s) physical fitness, since it contradicts the requirements of that programme.

*The types of disabilities are categorised by the Ministry of Social Development as follows:

Visual Impairments	Physical Disabilities	Down Syndrome
Hearing Impairments	Mental Disorders	Autism

In case the student is registered in the Admission Electronic System, he/she shall specify the type of his/her disability from the above mentioned, and the system will generate the eligible scholarships that accept their type of disability.

QUALIFICATIONS CONSIDERED EQUIVALENT TO THE GED, AND INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Students to whom the following applies should enter their personal details through the registration page in the HEAC online electronic system:

- Omani students who pursued qualifications equivalent to GED at schools outside the country.
 - Omani students who pursued international qualifications*
 - Omani students who pursued qualifications deemed equivalent to GED by the MoE from the communities' schools inside the Sultanate of Oman.
- Failure to timely and accurately upload the personal details will result in students not getting their entitled seats (places). Moreover, these students will not be eligible to competitively apply for offered scholarships, seats and/or grants or their registration will be cancelled unless they upload a copy of their final transcripts, civil ID card, and Ministry of Education equivalency letter (when required) to the relevant page and through the specified link on the HEAC portal.
- Students holding certificates equivalent to GED, international qualifications (IBDP and A-levels)*, vocational certificates or specialised secondary school certificates should register and select scholarships, seats and/or grants during the specified period regardless of (whether) their results of the first semester are available or not. And they will not be able to register or change their choices of scholarships after the announcement of their final school grades.
- HEAC will allocate scholarships to students whose results are announced after the first allocation round, according to their order of preferences, provided that their competitive scores are higher than the competitive score of the last earmarked candidate allocated to that particular scholarship.
- A technical team will be assigned to sort and verify certificates in view of qualifications which are considered to be equivalent to the GED by the Ministry of Education (MoE). Their applications will be processed based on this committee's decisions.

* Within this context, by International Qualifications (IQ) we mean International Baccalaureate and A-levels qualifications recognised by the MoE, while there is separate student guidebook for these international qualification holders available in both Arabic and English in which the standard eligibility criteria have been adapted to the A-level and IBDP curricula and their grading systems, albeit they are applying for the same scholarships as all other students and their grades are converted to percentages once they meet the criteria. These percentages are **NOT** based on an GED-equivalency.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Students who achieved GED-equivalent qualifications equivalent to GED and international qualifications awarded by schools in Oman or overseas, should upload the following documents to HEAC portal through the specified link:

1. **Copy of the final certificate or transcript (immediately after the announcement of final grades)**
 2. **Copy of the civil card (front and back photocopy), or a valid passport.**
 3. **Equivalency certificate from the Oman Ministry of Education (if required).**
- Note that certificates awarded by public schools in GCC countries, or private schools which apply the public education system in GCC countries, do not require an equivalency from the Oman Ministry of Education (except for certificates issued by schools in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia).
- In case a student has obtained a temporary Equivalency Certificate from the Oman Ministry of Education, they will be contacted by the HEAC about their final results. If the student's certificate does not meet the equivalency conditions, their offer will be withdrawn.
- Students who achieved international qualifications and their scores are issued in letter grades, shall attach the (grading system/ grading scale) from the certificate's issuing authorities mentioned in their grade transcript (usually on the back of the transcript) or any relevant document from the issuing authority. Otherwise, their results will be converted according to the national grading system by calculating the average of each score.
- HEAC coordinates with higher education institutions and scholarships departments in order to consider the applications of Vocational and Specialised Secondary School Certificates' holders who are not able to select scholarships through the HEAC system because of their academic nature. The HEAC will not consider any application unless the student is already registered in the system (=has a username and password).

SAUDI ARABIA GENERAL SECONDARY EDUCATION CERTIFICATE HOLDERS

Omani students holding secondary school certificates from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia shall provide an equivalency certificate issued by the Omani Ministry of Education (MoE), which requires the student to sit for the National Center for Assessment tests (General Aptitude Test GAT) and (Standardised Assessment Test SAT) and inform HEAC about the tests results to be eligible to competitively apply for seats, scholarships and/or study grants.

- GAT and SAT results will be considered while calculating the competitive score.
- Students shall upload photocopies of the following documents in the specified link:

1. Final certificate or transcript
2. GAT results
3. SAT results
4. Equivalence certificate from the Oman MoE
5. Valid Civil card or passport (front and back)

The method for calculating the competitive score of this category of students:

$$\frac{(\text{Total average of all the subjects taken by a student})}{\text{Number of all subjects}} \times 40\% + \frac{\text{Total grade of the subjects required for the programme}}{\text{Number of required subjects}} \times 60\% = (\text{result 1})$$

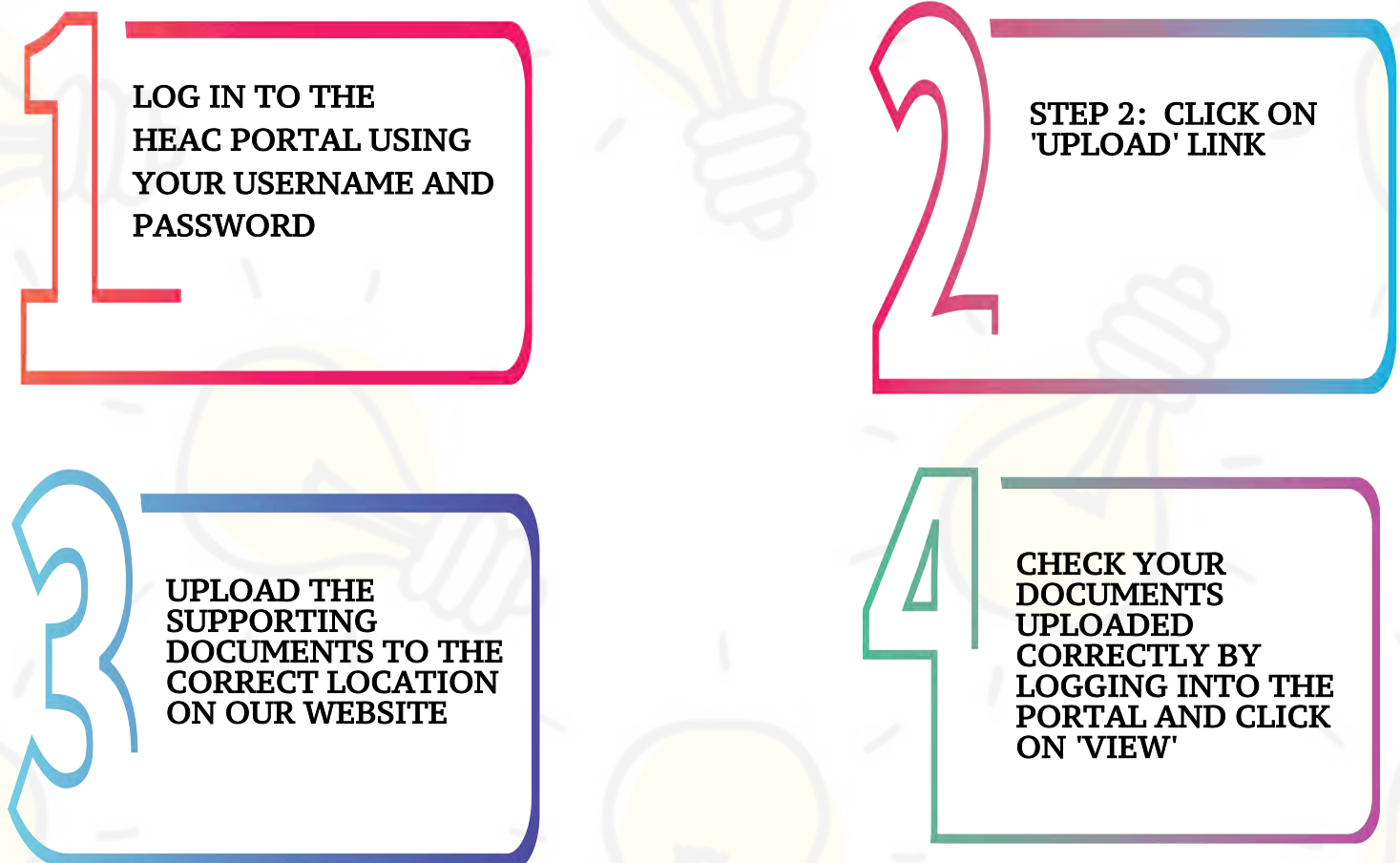
- **STEP 1:** (result 1) x 30% = (result 2)
- **STEP 2:** GAT results x 30% = (result 3)
- **STEP 3:** SAT results x 40% = (result 4)

Competitive Score = Result 2 + Result 3 + Result 4

OMANI STUDENTS WITH AN AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

- In case the student has failed to study one of the science subjects in grade 12, they reserve the right to get the scores of previous school grades counted by attaching them in the specified link for (grade 10 and 11 certificates), then entering the subject scores in the link of subjects and grades. If the student fails to do so, only his/her grade 12 scores will be counted.
- In case the evaluation system at the school is not scored by percentage, the student should attach the chart of the evaluation grading system of his/her school or the academy and what equals them by percentage. If the student fails to do so, similar samples of common US grading systems will be used.
- HEAC may not count all the subjects existing in the student certificate when not required by the higher education institutions. It may also count no more than 10 subjects.
- Student can attach the above-mentioned documents as illustrated in the following steps, provided that the file is uploaded in PDF format only and does not exceed 512 KB. The link for attaching supporting documents will be available starting from the 1st of July, 2021.

FIGURE 3 STUDENTS WITH AN AMERICAN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA SHOULD COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING FOUR STEPS:



**IF YOU REQUIRE ASSISTANCE LOGGING INTO THE PORTAL, PLEASE
CONTACT: CUSTOMER_SERVICES@MOHE.GOV.OM**

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE APPLICATION / ADMISSIONS SYSTEM & PROCEDURES

You must read this guidebook carefully since it contains all information you will need to know, whereas the HEAC website contains important updates and frequently asked questions with their answers.

- You can try and call the centre, but be advised that the lines may not always be reachable due to the volume of calls. Hence, the best way to reach us is through e-mails (customer_services@mohe.gov.om), or social media websites (Facebook – Twitter), through which we can receive as many messages as possible at the same time and attempt to answer them.
- Students, who have a non-Omani father, who has acquired Omani nationality or those who have a Omani mother and non-Omani father should provide HEAC with evidence from the Oman Ministry of Interior, proving their eligibility to competitively apply for the public higher education seats in Oman.
- Admissions applications for the Academic Year 2021/22 will be treated in accordance with the procedures and timeline as published in this guide. **Students will be notified of any subsequent changes through the HEAC website, as well as, the various social media. It is, therefore, your responsibility to be absolutely aware of these updates. It is also your responsibility to check your eligibility, which means whether you meet the standard eligibility criteria (requirements), to competitively apply for any scholarship or course that you choose.**

The various HEAC procedures are designed specifically to ensure that all applicants are treated fairly. However, bear in mind the following:

- Scholarships, seats and grants are awarded on a competitive basis.
- Fairness means treating all applicants equally; it does not mean making special arrangements for some applicants, who have ignored the rules and guidelines. You must realise that your actions may also have an impact on other applicants who have equal rights.
- You must act reasonably, ethically and carefully, without expecting any 'special treatment' in terms of the applicable procedures.
- If you have followed the procedures correctly, you will not be deprived of any opportunity to at least competitively apply for a scholarship seat for which you are deemed eligible.
- You will be informed of any scholarship that has been offered either through the HEAC website or through a text message that will be sent to the mobile telephone number registered as yours in the system.
- You should, therefore, frequently log in to HEAC admissions system to check whether there are any updates and keep your mobile phone switched on at all times. HEAC will not be responsible if your mobile phone was switched off or if you were travelling which may prevent you from receiving text messages.
- Travelling or residing abroad is not an excuse for students who did not take actions required by HEAC before the relevant deadlines and the HEAC will not be held accountable or responsible for any opportunity or update you may miss.
- The HEAC admissions system does not allow accepted students (recipients) to request for a transfer to another higher education institution or HEI, or to another scholarship or course at the same HEI, unless they have received another offer from HEAC. Students may request to transfer to another HEI after the completion of all allocation processes by referring to the same HEI and/or the concerned scholarships departments and not to the HEAC, as per the protocol, while such requests or transfers may NOT be granted either as per the scholarship rules and regulations to safeguard fair competition and equal treatment of all students.

GUIDE TO ONLINE REGISTRATION: FIRST STEPS TO COMPLETE AS AN APPLICANT

Figure 4

1 Read this Guidebook carefully.

2 Explore your options and do your own research: Check out the structure and content of the courses.

3 You can watch the video about the registration procedures by using the 'Admissions Process and Registration Procedures' link on the HEAC website.

4 Select and save your options and try and rank your options in order of personal preference. Consult your parents and career guidance specialist or university counsellor at your school.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIMELINE*

ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/22

PHASE	PHASE TO THE APPLICATION PROCESS	TIMELINE
Registration	Registration (applying through the HEAC electronic system)	May 1, 2021 - July 1, 2021 (under normal circumstances: May 1 - June 1)
Change of Preference Period	Applicants can make changes in their scholarship application based on realistic expectations (i.e. grades and updates, if applicable)	The exact dates will depend on when the GED final and main exam* results will be announced on the HEAC website in due course. *Based on when the main exams took place, not resit exams
Admissions interviews/tests and screening of DES applications	Admissions tests, screening and/or interviews are required for a number of scholarships	Within one working week after the change of preference period. Where applicable, interview dates will be announced by the concerned entity and will be announced on the HEAC website in due course.
First scholarship allocation round	Announcement of the results of first scholarship allocation round	Upon completion of all interviews, screenings and medical check-ups (where applicable).
	Students accept offers & register with either concerned HEI and/or department)	Within one working week following the announcement of first allocation results
'Dissatisfied with how you listed your options in order of personal preference' request period	Students submit an online request through the HEAC portal	Within one working week after the end of the 'first allocation accept offer/registration' period
	Announcement of decisions	Within one working week of receipt of all requests/end of the 'submit a request' period
	Allocation of seats and completion of registration with the HEI or department	Within one working week after announcing the decisions in view of the student requests
Second scholarship allocation round	Announcement of new and/or vacant scholarships (if applicable)	Within one working week after the 'I put my scholarships in the wrong order of preference' request period
	Applying for new and/or vacant scholarships, seats and/or grants	Within one working week after the announcement of new and vacant scholarships (if applicable)
	Announcement of second allocation offers (if applicable)	Within one working week after the application deadline in view of new scholarships and/or vacant places
	Deadline (to accept an offer) for the second allocation and complete the registration procedures	Within one working week after the announcement of the results of second allocation
'Retrieve' Seat Service	Applying for Retrieve Seat Service	Within one working week after the end of the registration period following the second scholarships allocation

The above dates are provisional and may be subject to (minor) changes. Please regularly check the HEAC website for further updates: www.heac.gov.om

REGISTRATION PERIOD: MAY 1 - JULY 1

The first phase to the scholarship application cycle is the registration period which, this year due to the pandemic, will take place from the May 1 until July 1, 2021. You can make changes in your scholarship application shortly after the announcement of the GED school grades. You are, therefore, advised to add your order of preferences in the form included in this handbook (last page) and keep it at hand so that you can remember your choices of selected programmes. Registration takes place online in the HEAC Admissions System, and you have to login to HEAC website (www.heac.gov.om), and create an account by getting a username and password.

1. Carefully read through the student guidebook guidelines, procedures, programme requirements and decide which scholarships, each one comprising either one or more courses, you wish to select.
2. You can submit your application (register) through HEAC website, SMS or mobile application (ELTAHIQ) through an online application form with no less than 12 programme preferences you are eligible for. Your choices may include different programmes in public and private HEIs, and external and internal scholarships and grants in the HEIs inside and outside the Sultanate.
3. All students must register and choose programmes during the specified period and they have to meet the registration deadline – regardless of the outcome of the first semester exam results. There will be no opportunity for students who re-sit the GED exams to register or change their programme preferences after the release of the second-round exam results.
4. Students should verify their personal details (name, date of birth, gender, national civil number, etc.). In case of any incorrect information, they should contact the Directorate General of Educational Assessment at the Ministry of Education on the following numbers: (24127001- - 24127090 -24127087- 24127043- 24127105 - 24127100- 24127144 -24127123 - 24127089 - 24127020 -24127100 -24127011)
5. Social security students should verify their details as provided by the Ministry of Social Development and indicate the department or centre from which they have obtained their Social Security Card. In case of discrepancy, they should contact the following number: (24692319) and inform HEAC accordingly before the 30th of July 2021. To contact the Social Development Offices in the governorates they may access HEAC website to obtain their phone numbers. For further inquiries, please contact us by email: Mosd-heac@mosd.gov.om.
6. All Social Security cases should be verified by the Ministry of Social Development to be eligible to compete on Social Security seats.
7. Fill in all required information and required details and make sure that you provide your correct mobile numbers and e-mail address, which will enable the HEAC to contact you for seat offering and also allow you to receive important messages such as change in the admission requirements, etc. It is recommended that the mobile number given should be your own and not used by any other person. If you are using another person's mobile number, then ensure that this person is trustworthy and will forward all the necessary and correct information to you in timely fashion so that you do not miss any important deadlines.
8. The system will send a short text message to your mobile number to inform you of any change or update in your personal data, for example: "phone number".
9. The DG for Scholarships, Ministry of Higher Education, Research, Innovation and/or Higher Education Institutions specify the standard eligibility criteria for each scholarships scheme based on a methodology. You should, therefore, carefully read these requirements before applying for a specific scholarship. When you competitively apply for any scholarship that consists of a variety of courses you should ensure that you, are likely to, satisfy the course admission requirements and grades in each essential subject. For example, if Biology is a part of the requirements of a course covered by a particular scholarship, you should use common sense and refrain from applying to that scholarship if Biology was NOT one of the subjects you took at school. Otherwise, you will end up losing one of your choices since you did not satisfy one of the competitive conditions for that particular course.

10. You should rank your programmes in order of personal preference. HEAC system aims to competitively select you for one of your preferred programmes provided you meet the requirements and depending on the competition (of other candidates) and the number of available places allocated to each scholarship. Avoid selecting scholarships based on your expected exam results only and focus on what really suits you and your skills, interests and abilities. Also, avoid guess work, assumptions and do not fall prey to hearsay and rumours. Our advice is that you keep in touch with the Career Guidance Specialist or University Counsellor in your school or region or contact the HEAC if you have any doubt or query.

11. You are advised to apply for the maximum number of preferred scholarships for which you are eligible to, and not just for scholarships with high requirements in order to increase your chances of being competitively awarded a scholarship offer.

Note that all applicants will be allowed to arrange unlimited number of preferences they are eligible for, but not less than at least 12 scholarships, seats and/or grants. Only those who are not eligible for more than 12 scholarships, seats and/or grants, can apply for less than 12 options.

12. Some scholarships may require the applicant to have a certain English language test score (i.e. IELTS) especially for those who wish to competitively apply for certain external scholarships programmes, so make sure that you read carefully all the requirements of your selected scholarships.

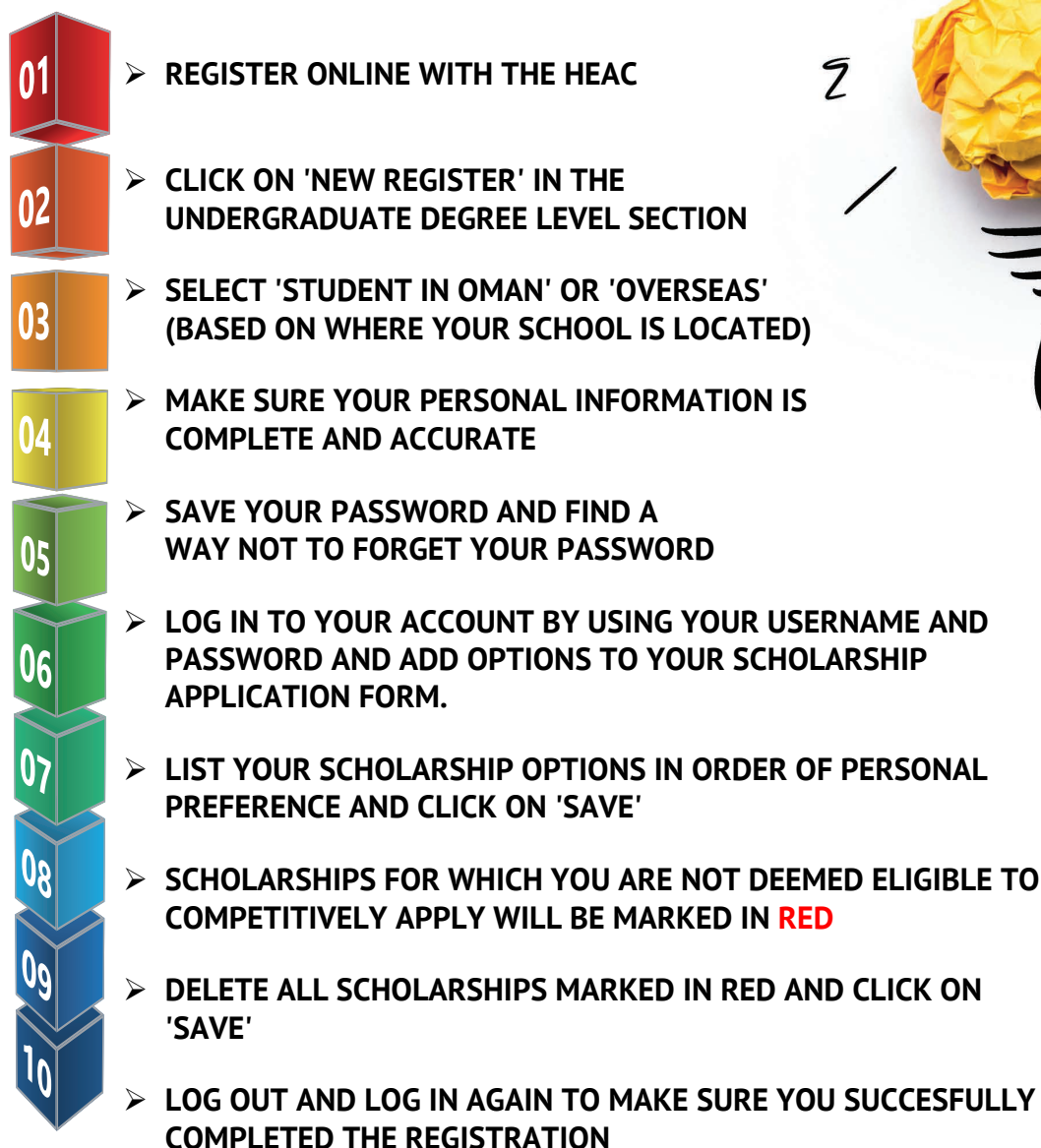
13. You can and are advised to competitively apply for the scholarships that cover the course(s) you prefer to study the most, even if (you worry that) other students' final school grades are (or might be) better than yours. You do not have to worry because the system is flexible; meaning that even if you cannot be competitively selected for your preferred scholarship(s), you will still automatically compete for your next preferred option(s) (based on your list of ranked preferences) provided you meet the standard eligibility criteria.

14. The Higher Education Institutions may set further requirements for particular courses covered by scholarships. For example, the region where student resides could be one of the additional conditions when applying for Health Sciences programmes. Therefore, the eligibility will apply only to students from the region or governorate stated by the institute. Similarly, programmes related to Fine Art or Physical Education will require additional tests carried out by the institution, and the results of these tests will determine the student eligibility to compete for the seats.

15. We advise you to select your options based on your personal preference and not on your speculation of what might happen. The common mistake often made by many students is that they rank their preferences based on their expected final exam results. For example, some students may hope to study Medicine, but feel they would not qualify or compete against others. They might, therefore, put Medicine as their fifth preference and another less preferred scholarship as their first. However, they may get the grades required to study Medicine, but by then, it would be too late because they would have already been offered a scholarship and not be offered a lower preference (which in this case would be Medicine).

GUIDE TO ONLINE REGISTRATION: STEPS TO COMPLETE AS AN APPLICANT

Figure 5

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- **01 REGISTER ONLINE WITH THE HEAC**
 - **02 CLICK ON 'NEW REGISTER' IN THE UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE LEVEL SECTION**
 - **03 SELECT 'STUDENT IN OMAN' OR 'OVERSEAS' (BASED ON WHERE YOUR SCHOOL IS LOCATED)**
 - **04 MAKE SURE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE**
 - **05 SAVE YOUR PASSWORD AND FIND A WAY NOT TO FORGET YOUR PASSWORD**
 - **06 LOG IN TO YOUR ACCOUNT BY USING YOUR USERNAME AND PASSWORD AND ADD OPTIONS TO YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM.**
 - **07 LIST YOUR SCHOLARSHIP OPTIONS IN ORDER OF PERSONAL PREFERENCE AND CLICK ON 'SAVE'**
 - **08 SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU ARE NOT DEEMED ELIGIBLE TO COMPETITIVELY APPLY WILL BE MARKED IN RED**
 - **09 DELETE ALL SCHOLARSHIPS MARKED IN RED AND CLICK ON 'SAVE'**
 - **10 LOG OUT AND LOG IN AGAIN TO MAKE SURE YOU SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE REGISTRATION**

HEAC MOBILE APPLICATION (ELTAHIQ)

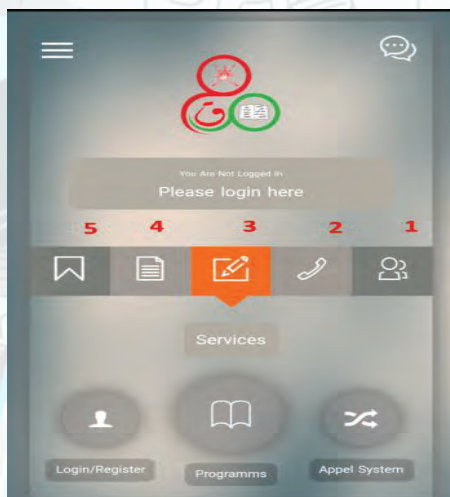
Services provided through Eltahiq Mobile Application: For Omani students, who have achieved a General Education Diploma (GED) or an equivalent qualification, issued by a school in Oman or overseas, upon completion of the school year 2020/21, and who meet the requirements, will be able to competitively apply for seats, scholarships and/or grants, and complete all required procedures of such scholarships, including the following main steps:

1. Register online as an applicant using the HEAC electronic system, get a username and password, and use the retrieve password option in case you missed or forgot.
2. Enter your personal details / modify if needed (mobile number –type of income –type of disability (if applicable).
3. Enter your (predicted) school subject grades, and (upload copies of the required documents in case you are holding an international qualification).
4. Explore your eligible courses covered by scholarships, seats and/or grants.
5. Select your preferred options from the available seats, internal and external scholarships and grants.
6. Add /delete/rearrange preferred options during the change of preference period.
7. View scholarship offer after the announcement of the first scholarship allocation round.
8. Accept or reject your offer (if any).
9. Take note of important registration dates and deadlines.
10. Visit the HEAC website and social media pages for important updates, especially between the registration and allocation.



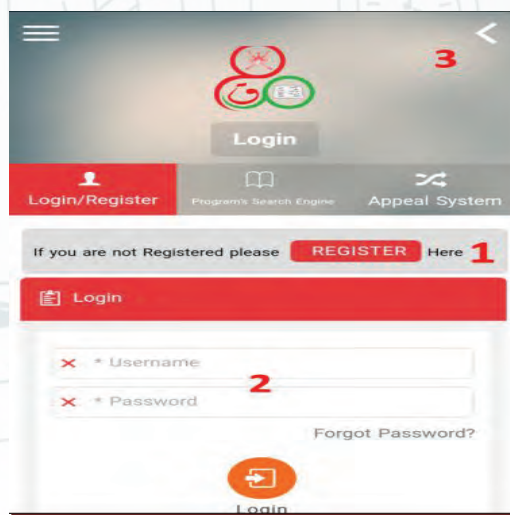
Target Audience in view of the HEAC admissions system:
Students who, upon completion of this school year, have obtained the General Education Diploma (GED) or an equivalent qualification from Oman or abroad, and who are willing to pursue their higher studies at either a Government HEI, a private HEI on an internal scholarship or study grant or at an overseas HEI and external scholarships and grants.

HOW TO REGISTER AS AN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT



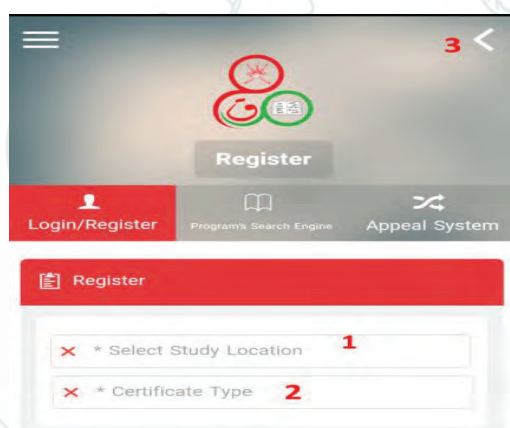
Main Menu

- 1- HEAC social media accounts
- 2- Contact us
- 3- HEAC services
- 4- News (news, announcements, notifications)
- 5- About HEAC, HEAC mobile application, and the aim of the application.



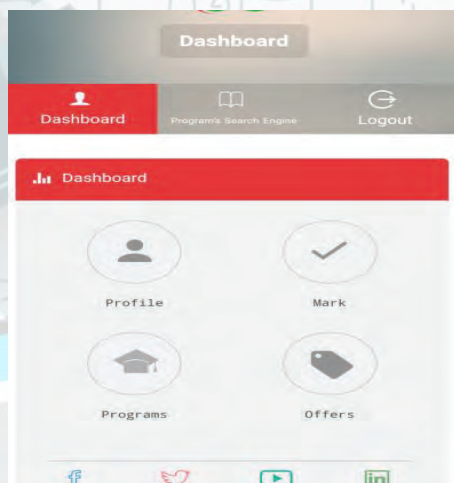
Registration / Login Page

- 1- Click on (Register Here) to register as an applicant using the HEAC electronic system and create a password.
- 2- If you have already registered through the HEAC electronic system, you can log in to your account page using your username and password.
- 3- Go Back to the previous screen.



Registration Page

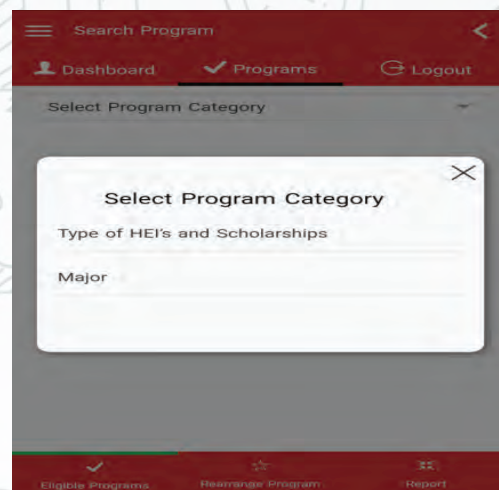
- 1- Select your current location (where you live/ went to school)
- 2- Select type of school qualification & provide personal information as required.
- 3- Go Back to previous screen.



Dashboard

- 1- Ensure the information or details provided are complete and accurate
- 2- Insert your school subject mix and (predicted) grades
- 3- Arrange your order of preferences
- 4- View offer

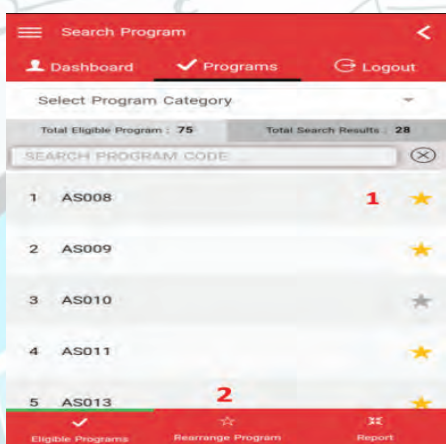
Students who are based abroad shall log in via a specified link/ page.



Ranking your options in order of personal preference

You may explore the available types of funding by:

- 1- Type of scholarships (public seat/ internal scholarship/ external scholarship/ internal study grant/ external study grant).
- 2- area of study



Eligibility

- 1- You may select your preferences by clicking on the (*).
- 2- You may make changes in your order of preferences through clicking on (rearrange order of preferences).



Make changes in your Order of Preferences

You may rearrange your order of preferences by:

1. Ascending or descending order using (↑) or (↓).
2. Scholarship numbers table.
3. Clicking on preferences and moving them up or down.
4. After you completed arranging your order of preference, click on SEND
5. Report on selected scholarships

ARRANGING YOUR OPTIONS IN ORDER OF PERSONAL PREFERENCE

How do you arrange your preferred options? Your scholarship options should be ranked in the order of your personal preference. Your most preferred option should be listed as your first option, and so on. The HEAC electronic system is designed to competitively award an option for which you are eligible and uses a top-down approach (starts screening from your first option onwards), although scholarships **are competitively awarded and based on a limited availability, and, therefore, there is NO guarantee that the system will competitively award all students one of their first option(s).**

For example: (Fictional) student Khalid wishes to become an architectural engineer. While he arranges his options according to his order of personal preference, he focuses on scholarships that cover suitable engineering programmes available at different Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the Sultanate of Oman and abroad. The following table shows the first ten options of scholarships entered by our fictional student 'Khalid', based on him meeting at least the standard eligibility criteria for each option, and are arranged in order of his personal preference.

The data mentioned in the table are for illustrative purposes only and not based on a real student or real scholarships and/or codes.

(Table 1)

RANKING	Scholarship code	Category	Scholarships Scheme	Number of available places allocated - by code	"Competitive score" of last shortlisted recipient - by code	Khalid's competitive scores - by code	Khalid's offer
1	LA020	Engineering	External Scholarships (Country 1)	50	97.6*	96.3	**Not accepted
2	YG004	Engineering	External Scholarships (Country 2)	100	94.6	96.4	Accepted
3	RC105	Engineering	External Scholarships (Country 3)	80	96.2	92.3	-
4	ML067	Engineering	Public programme (1)	80	93.3	92.3	-
5	TF125	Engineering	Public programme (2)	50	93.9	93.6	-
6	CL019	Engineering	Internal scholarship (1)	40	87.6	95.2	-
7	RT032	Engineering	Internal scholarship (2)	30	89.8	96.3	-
8	ND002	Science	External Scholarships (Country 1)	30	83.4	96.3	-
9	KC602	Science	Public program (1)	50	77.5	96.3	-
10	CD193	Science	Internal scholarship (1)	50	95.4	94.0	-

STUDENT KHALID HAS BEEN COMPETITIVELY AWARDED THIS SCHOLARSHIP AND ACCEPTED THE OFFER

*LA020: Example of the 'lowest' minimum competitive average score of recipient number (50) out of all candidates who have been shortlisted for this (fictional) scholarship (to which 50 places were allocated and candidates are shortlisted based on a ranking from higher to lower competitive scores).

LA020: Not accepted: This means that e.g. Khalid's competitive average score "96.3" is lower than the score "97.6" which is the lowest score of the applicant out of all applicants shortlisted for one of the places allocated to this scholarship, therefore, Khalid **will no longer be eligible for this scholarship and automatically continues to compete for his second option and so on and so forth.

- Based on the fictional data in the above table, it is obvious that there are (100) places available for Khalid his second choice (YG004) and (50) seats for the fifth option (TF125) and so on. So which scholarship will be competitively awarded to our student Khalid? Scholarship (LA020) is his number one choice, but due to the competition (other candidates) and the number of available places, and his competitiveness, G004).

SHORLISTING OF APPLICANTS BASED ON THE (UNBIASED) ORDER OF MERIT METHOD USED BY THE HEAC ELECTRONIC ADMISSIONS SYSTEM

As illustrative examples, the following tables (2) and (3) show how the electronic admissions system objectively compares among all applicants in order to shortlist them. Table (2) contains the first three scholarship options as selected by 3 fictional students (Nasser, Fatima, and Ahmed). Each has ranked their options in a different order of preference.

- Nasser has scholarship coded (YG004) as a first choice in his list because his dream is to study (one of) the course(s) covered by this scholarship.
- Fatima has the scholarship code (RC105) as her first choice, because she prefers to study the course or one of the courses covered by this scholarship and if she is not competitively selected for this scholarship, she will automatically compete for her second-best preferred option, which is scholarship coded (LA001) and so on and so forth.
- Similar to his peers, student Ahmed has also selected his scholarship options which are arranged in the order of preference.

Data used in these tables are for illustrative purposes only:

(Table 2)




Student	Nasser		Fatima		Ahmed	
						
RANKING OF OPTIONS	Scholarship	Competitive score of student	Scholarship	Competitive score of student	Scholarship	Competitive score of student
1	YG004	97	RC105	92	YG004	99
2	LA001	85	LA001	90	LA001	80
3	RC105	90	YG004	96	RC105	95
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Table (3) on the following page shows you how the system screens and shortlists most* applicants' based on the "order of merit" approach according to the highest competitive scores among all eligible (=met the standard criteria) and the number of available places allocated to each listed scholarship*.

*Please note that this approach applies to *most* scholarships while for some scholarships further requirements, other than the grades, apply - e.g. DES applicants are primarily screened on meeting the standard criteria and having an offer of admission in place, while tie-breakers do apply in case the number of eligible candidates exceeds the number of places allocated to DES.

(Table 3) EXAMPLES OF HOW THE HEAC ADMISSIONS SYSTEM SHORTLISTS ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES BASED ON THE ORDER OF MERIT APPROACH -

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE ARE FICTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS (CODES) AND STUDENTS

Shortlisted students LA001			Shortlisted students RC105			Shortlisted students YG004		
Number of places available (2)			Number of places available (1)			Number of places available (4)		
Student's name	Competitive score of student	Position of the scholarship in list of options	Student's name	Competitive score of student	Position of the scholarship in list of options	Student's name	Competitive score of student	Position of the scholarship in list of options
Fatima*	90	2	Ahmed*	95	3	Ahmed*	99	1
Nasser*	85	2	Fatima	92	1	Nasser	97	1
Fatima	80	2	Nasser	90	3	Fatima	96	3

***Students are earmarked and shortlisted for (most) scholarships according to the number of available places by scholarship and the students' their competitive scores.**

Considering that the HEAC electronic admissions system has been designed to competitively award students their best possible option (top-down approach) based on how they ranked their options, and after shortlisting the above-mentioned fictional applicants as per the objective “order of merit” approach, the result of this illustrated and fictional scholarship allocation (based on only 3 applicants in total) will be as follows:

- **Competitive Allocation of fictional scholarship YG004 – number available seats* (1):**

Earmarked candidate: The fictional student Ahmed will be the first and only earmarked recipient among all eligible applicants in view of the fictional scholarship coded (YG004), because this student scored the highest competitive average among all eligible applicants in view of the criteria that applied to YG004, while this scholarship is his first choice.

- **Competitive Allocation of fictional scholarship: RC105 – number of seats* available (2):**

Earmarked candidates: Due to the availability of only two seats allocated to the (RC105) scholarship, while Ahmed has been excluded from the earmarked eligible applicants since he was earmarked for his most preferred scholarship (YG004) by the system, one of the two places allocated to this scholarship will be allocated to the next most competitive student in the list based on the “order of merit” approach. Therefore, Fatima will be earmarked for (RC105) which is also her preferred choice, and consequently, she will no longer be competitively applying for any of her choices ranked lower by her (including LA001, YG004).

The other place allocated to RC105 will be tentatively allocated to Nasser, the second most competitive student for this scholarship out of the list of earmarked applicants – however, as RC105 is his third preferred option, he is still eligible to continue to competitively apply for this first two options.

- **Competitive Allocation of fictional scholarship: LA001 – available places (1)**

Earmarked candidates: Ahmed and Fatima were eligible to be shortlisted but were both excluded from competition for this scholarship due to being earmarked, by the system, for their preferred options. However, LA001 was preferred over RC105 by Nasser, and LA001 will be awarded to Nasser instead.

Result of the final allocation among three applicants:

- Ahmed will be awarded YG004 (his preferred option)
- Fatima will be awarded RC105 (her preferred option)
- Nasser will be awarded LA001 (his second-best preferred option)
- One out of two places allocated to RC105 will remain vacant and will be announced in view of the following allocation round for students who receive no offer during the first allocation round.

Tie Breakers:

It is the criteria as provided by the HEIs and/or the concerned scholarships departments to 'break the tie' between earmarked applicants who may have equally competitive scores. For example, if the last 5 out of all eligible applicants who have competitively applied for the Engineering scholarships have equally competitive scores based on their average; and there is only one vacant seat left, while the tie-breakers are Pure Maths, followed by English.

In this case, the tie-breaker for this option applies to the one with the highest grade in Pure Mathematics or equivalent, followed by the highest grade in English. Therefore, the applicant who scored the highest grade in Pure Mathematics or its equivalent will be accepted. In case two earmarked candidates scored equally high grades in Pure Mathematics or its equivalent, their grade in English will become the tie-breaker.

Note for English guide readers: 'Seat' within this context means the number of available places allocated to a particular scholarship (code)

Deleted means these scholarships will no longer be options to a student- as they ranked them lower than the option they were competitively awarded.

- **ALWAYS FOCUS ON THE AREA OF STUDY FIRST AND ON WHETHER IT SUITS YOUR SKILLS, INTERESTS AND CAPABILITIES.**
- **DO NOT CHOOSE A SCHOLARSHIP THAT COVERS A COURSE OR COURSES THAT YOU HAVE LITTLE OR NO INTEREST IN AS YOU WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE FOR YOUR OWN CHOICES!**
- **MEETING THE CRITERIA DOES NOT GUARANTEE A PLACE BECAUSE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE COMPETITIVE - DO NOT PLACE ALL YOUR EGGS IN ONLY ONE BASKET, HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD ALSO BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU WISH FOR IN VIEW OF YOUR PREFERRED OPTIONS, BECAUSE ONCE YOU HAVE BEEN SHORTLISTED FOR ONE OF YOUR PREFERRED OPTIONS, YOU WILL HAVE TO STUDY WHAT YOU CHOSE AND ARE NO LONGER COMPETITIVELY APPLYING FOR ANY OF YOUR LOWER RANKED OPTIONS EITHER.**

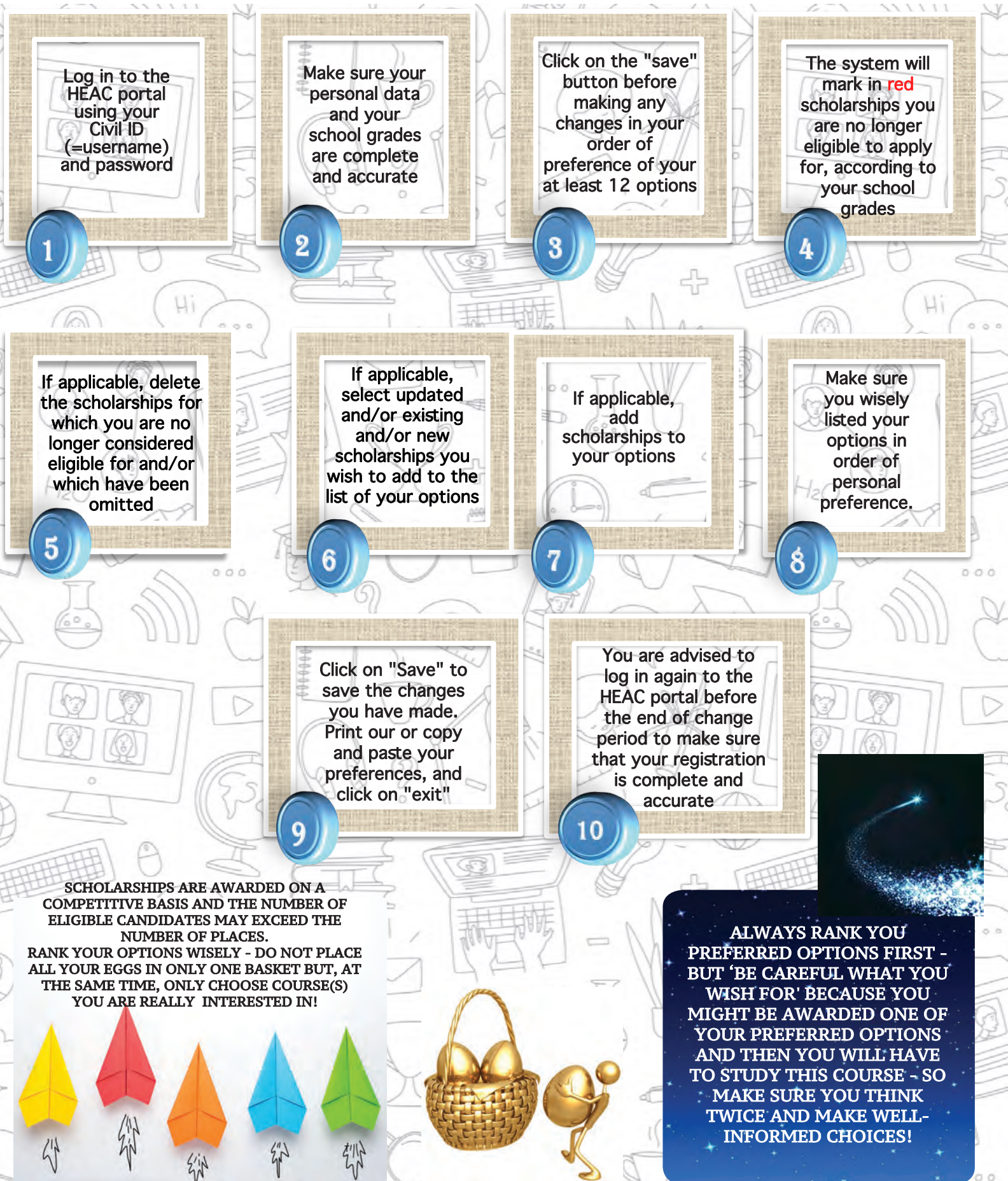
2ND PHASE OF THE APPLICATION CYCLE: THE CHANGE OF PREFERENCE PERIOD

In August 2021, after most of you received your school grades, students will be given an opportunity to make changes in **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**. This will be the final opportunity for students to make any changes, including in view of their *order* of preference before the first allocation round.

- Students who have to resit GED or other exams, as well as students whose final results and/or school grades may be announced after the change of preference period, must make changes in their order of preference based on their predicted results, if they wish to do so, during this period as well because they will not be able to make any changes in their order preferences either, even not after they received their actual final grades.
- Students **MUST** visit the HEAC website and social media pages and check back often, as these, and not this guide, will provide the latest information about scholarships, seats and grants in **case of any important updates due to reasons beyond the HEAC and the Ministry's reasonable control and that apply after the Arabic version of the guide had already been published and will be announced before the change of preferences period.**
- In case you forgot your password, you can retrieve it by sending an (SMS) from your mobile number to (90190) by typing (R) followed by your Civil Number. You will receive an SMS message from HEAC providing you with your password. You can also receive the password from the second number by typing (R2) followed by your Civil Number.
- Students must validate their personal data, school subjects and exam results or final school grades by entering these in the system using their user name and password.
- Students can view the scholarships, seats and grants, for which they are deemed eligible to competitively apply for, through “the eligible programmes link” available on the HEAC website.
- In case there are some scholarships (all coded) that appear in **red** (which means you are no longer eligible to apply for these options due to your eligibility or because the scholarship is no longer available) and you do not delete them from your options, you will not be able to save any changes. Therefore, delete scholarships marked in **red during the change of preference period** and save the changes.
- Be careful what you wish for: You might be competitively awarded one of your most preferred options and to which you are entitled to, according to the ‘order of merit’ allocation, so make sure you think twice and wisely rank your options.
- Students holding qualifications equivalent to the Omani General Education Diploma and who fail to upload any of the supporting documents: (copy of the transcript, civil ID card, and, if applicable, an equivalency letter from the Oman Ministry of Education) before the relevant deadlines, will not be able to competitively apply for any scholarships and their registration will be considered invalid.

CHANGE OF PREFERENCE PERIOD: IMPORTANT STEPS TO COMPLETE

Figure 6



ADMISSIONS TESTS, INTERVIEWS & SCREENING PROCESSES

After receiving their final results, a number of applicants need to take admissions tests/sit for interviews or undergo medical check-ups, test and interview dates will be announced in due course on the HEAC website. Receiving a request to sit for an admissions test or interview as per the criteria does not necessarily mean that you will be competitively awarded that particular scholarship, because the chances of being competitively awarded a scholarship depends on the following factors:

1. Passing or failing the admissions test/ interview
2. Number of available places allocated to the scholarship
3. Your competitive score compared to other shortlisted or earmarked candidates.

Choice Type	Preference	Round Number	Program Code	Program Name	Higher Education Institute Name	Offer Type	Eligible Mark	Rank	Cut Off Marks	Waiting List
Public	1	1	MT006	Royal Court Affairs	Military Technological College	Public Program	Yes	54.29	73.84	1201
Public	2	1	SA063	Marine navigation (Deck Officer)	International Maritime College Oman	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	74.21	2887
Public	3	1	MT004	Royal Navy of Oman	Military Technological College	Public Program	Yes	54.29	61.18	4400
Public	4	1	MT001	Office of COSSAF	Military Technological College	Public Program	Yes	54.29	73.64	1230
Public	5	1	MT005	MODES	Military Technological College	Public Program	Yes	54.29	62.87	1359
Public	6	1	SA088	BSC in Aviation Management	Modern College of Business and Science	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	80.99	4407
Public	7	1	SA064	Port, Shipping and Transport Management	International Maritime College Oman	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	72.52	3010
Public	8	1	MT002	Royal Army of Oman	Military Technological College	Public Program	Yes	54.29	52.67	2030
Public	9	1	SA029	English Language and Translation	Sohar University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	56.69	76.8	3302
Public	10	1	SA279	Software Engineering	Muscat College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	55.69	71.98	0526
Public	11	1	SA087	BSC in Airport Management	Modern College of Business and Science	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	80.13	1356
Public	12	1	SA041	Information Technology	Middle East College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	71.38	9850
Public	13	1	SA089	BSC in Health and Safety	Modern College of Business and Science	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	78.13	1341
Public	14	1	SA196	English Literature Broadcasting Public Relations Advertising Writing Professional English Journalism	Bayan College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	56.69	71.7	1120
Public	15	1	SA128	Bachelor of Psychology	Mazoon College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	56.69	82.99	1356
Public	16	1	SA187	Computer networks	Majan College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	68.78	1207
Public	17	1	SA138	Bachelor of Graphic Design (Printing)	Scientific College of Design	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	56.69	73.97	1003
Public	18	1	SA023	English Studies	Sohar University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	56.69	77.66	1652
Public	19	1	SA024	Business	Sohar University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	55.69	76.33	1478
Public	20	1	SA028	Computing and IT	Sohar University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Yes	54.59	68.76	1302

Figure 7 The "student allocation report" explained:

1. Type of scholarship chosen (i.e. seat, internal or external scholarship or grant)
2. Order of the options listed in order of personal preference
3. Allocation number (round 1 or round 2)
4. Scholarship (programme) code.
5. Name of the course(s) or programme(s) covered by the scholarship
6. Name of the higher education institution or entity allocated to this scholarship
7. Type of scholarship and funding
8. Eligibility of candidate (Yes or No).
9. Your "competitive score" in view of the scholarship
10. The "competitive score" of last candidate on the list of earmarked candidates offered a place allocated to this scholarship.
11. **STUDENTS WHO ACCEPTED THEIR SCHOLARSHIP OFFER, ARE NO LONGER WAITLISTED FOR HIGHER RANKED OPTIONS**

It is recommended that, after allocation, students should have the following documents when registering with the higher education institutions and/or scholarships departments:

1. General Education Diploma or its equivalent.
2. A copy of the valid civil card or passport.
3. Recent photographs.
4. Students from low-income households who have been competitively awarded Internal Scholarships, and who can prove that their income by family household is 600 OMR or less per month, should present proof that they belong to this category and any other documents that may be required by the concerned institution. HEAC is not responsible for receiving any written document requested by HEI from students such as the ones mentioned above. Documents confirming the status of the student as "low-income" should be submitted to the concerned institution and not the HEAC.

STEPS YOU MUST FOLLOW AFTER THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF ALLOCATION RESULTS

- 1) Accept the scholarship via the SMS service, mobile application or HEAC website before the relevant dates announced by the HEAC
- 2) Accept the scholarship you have been awarded on a competitive basis
- 3) Complete your registration with the concerned entity (i.e. department and/or higher education institution), and submit your civil ID card and submit other supporting documents as required.
- 4) Upon completion of the registration procedures, make sure to receive a confirmation that you completed the registration.

Figure 8



ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER AND COMPLETING THE ONLINE REGISTRATION

If you wish to accept an offer of a seat, scholarship or grant, you should follow one of the following two steps:

1. You may accept an offer online through HEAC website www.heac.gov.om, you may also confirm it via the HEAC mobile application (Eltahiq).
2. Alternatively, you may also accept an offer by sending an SMS message to (90190) containing the letter (A) followed by your HEAC number (password). You would then receive a text message, confirming that your acceptance has been recorded. That message would provide for the following: "your acceptance of the offer is successful". If you do not receive such message within half an hour, then you must access HEAC website to check if the admission offer is valid.

***Travelling or residing abroad is not an excuse for students who did not take actions required by HEAC before the relevant deadlines. HEAC is not responsible or can not be held accountable if you dismissed an offer. If you are a student from a social welfare household and have obtained an internal scholarship, you must register your bank account number through the link of (ACCEPT/ OR REJECT) in the electronic admission system.**

REGISTRATION: WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOU HAVE BEEN COMPETITIVELY AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP?

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

External Scholarships recipients, and regardless of the type of scholarship, have to log in and register as a new scholarship recipient using the online Student Services portal to register as a new scholarship recipient with the external scholarships department, by using the link available on the MoHERI website: www.moheri.gov.om
An administrator will be able to assist you.

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

Register through the online portal (milad) on the SQU website: www.squ.edu.om

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY & APPLIED SCIENCES

More details about how and where to register as a new student, will be announced in due course

OMAN COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Register on college website through (Hams): <https://hams.moh-hei.edu.om/admission>

- INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS AT PRIVATE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN THE SULTANATE
- THE MILITARY TECHNOLOGICAL COLLEGE
- THE COLLEGE OF SHARIA 'A SCIENCES
- VOCATIONAL COLLEGES

- 1) Visit the HEAC website: www.heac.gov.om
- 2) Enter your username and password at student services
- 3) Click link to view and accept offer
- 4) Click continue 'registration procedures' to register with the concerned institution.

NOTE: If you have been awarded an internal scholarship for social welfare or low income households or a scholarship that requires a selection of a higher education institution in the Sultanate, a drop-down menu consisting of institutions offering the eligible courses will appear for you to select from.

NOTE: For students who have been awarded an internal scholarship for low income households (SP), a link will appear to upload supporting documents to prove they are entitled to a SP. Students must click on the link to upload the documents and verify the provided information.

6) Upon completion of the procedures, you should click on 'continue registration/enrollment procedures'. The name of the selected eligible course will display as part of the 'recently accepted offer'.

7) Next, students will receive an automated notification to confirm you have successfully completed the registration and acceptance procedures with the concerned institution. If a notification is not received, you must directly contact the institution to finalise the registration and enrollment.

NOTE: Students who have been awarded internal scholarships and internal study grants to study at a private higher education institution, must also log in to MoHERI website: www.moheri.gov.om to create an account in order to complete registration (as a scholarship recipient) procedures with the internal scholarships department, DG for Scholarships.

THE SECOND ALLOCATION PHASE

After scholarships have been competitively awarded to all eligible applicants during the first allocation round, a number of places may remain available because some offers were not accepted or the number of available places exceeded the number of eligible applicants/shortlisted candidates. In addition, new scholarships MAY have been made available after the first allocation, and in this case, such vacancies will be announced on the website www.heac.gov.om and through SMS messages. Only students who have not already been awarded and accepted an offer following the first scholarship allocation, are eligible to competitively apply for vacant and/or new places. You may – during this period - apply for vacant seats through the electronic admissions system, and regardless of whether you have registered as an applicant via the system before or not. If you have not registered before, you can now register as a new applicant through HEAC, provided you meet the criteria. If you are one of those students who have already registered by using the admissions system, please complete the following steps:

1. To edit your choices, you can *add* more scholarships to your initial list of options (if you are already registered as an applicant).
2. Choose from vacant options (if applicable), and/or new scholarships (if applicable) for which you are deemed eligible as per the criteria. Note that the system will not allow you to rearrange the order of your previous choices.
3. To enter your new choices you must press on (Insert) button where you want to insert it
4. Save your choices by pressing the button (save).
5. Make sure you do not ignore any scholarships code marked in **red** which means you are no longer eligible and/or these options are no longer available and update the list accordingly, because the system will not be able to save changes you have made in case you do not delete codes marked in **red**.
6. If you are a student who has not yet registered with the HEAC as an applicant, kindly complete the following steps:
 - Register with the HEAC
 - Select available options from the available options based on your eligibility and list them according to your order of preference.
 - See (figure 9) below which is a screenshot of an online application form

Figure 9: a screenshot of (a number of all) options listed in order of preference

41 Insert	SAU76	computer science - Information Systems - Software	Al- Buraimi College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
42 Insert	SA232	Interior Architecture	Buraimi University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
43 Insert	SA071	Business Administration - Human Resource Development - Banking and Finance - Accounting	Al- Buraimi College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
44 Insert	SA229	Export Management - Business Management and E-Business - Information Systems Management - Islamic Banking and Finance - Global Supply Management And logistics	Buraimi University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
45 Insert	SA288	Computer Science	University of Nizwa	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
46 Insert	SA287	Information Systems-Web design and information security	University of Nizwa	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
47 Insert	SA012	Accounting - Marketing - Business Management - Economy and Finance - Management of entertainment projects - International Trade and Finance - Operations Management	University of Nizwa	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
48 Insert	SA119	Administrative Information system	Al Sharqiyah University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
49 Insert	SA118	Information Technology- Information Systems	Sur University College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
50 Insert	SA216	Management, finance and accounting, business collective leadership, Small Business Administration	Al Sharqiyah University	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
51 Insert	SA116	Accounting - Banking and Finance - Management and Marketing	Sur University College	Internal Scholarship Public - Full Fees	Government Funding	Delete
52 Insert	VT003	Engineering	Vocational training Saham	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete
53 Insert	VT010	Engineering	Vocational training Shnas	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete
54 Insert	VT012	Engineering	Vocational training Buraimi	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete
55 Insert	VT001	Engineering	Vocational training Seeb	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete
56 Insert	VT004	Commercial Studies	Vocational training Saham	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete
57 Insert	VT011	Commercial Studies	Vocational training Shnas	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete
58 Insert	VT005	Agricultural Training	Vocational training Saham	Public Program	Government Funding	Delete

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Complaints (a specific concern) or appeals (a formal review of an outcome or decision) are dealt with by the the Appeal Board, which consists of experts external to the Oman Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation and who are assigned to this task by a Ministerial Decree to review complaints and appeals made by applicants who claim they are dissatisfied with the conduct of the process, or that there is any element of unfairness or error and/or who are concerned that their appeals or complaints have not been settled by HEAC. The HEAC is committed to a fair and transparent admissions process and within this context, complaints and appeals are dealt with appropriately and carefully, without any exemptions. The following sets out the basis on which the HEAC will at least review appeals and complaints about its procedures or with the outcome of the selection process. Basic grounds for appeals and relevant deadlines are as follows:

	TYPE OF REQUEST	TIMELINE (WHEN TO MAKE AN APPEAL)
1	Re-application Procedures	Within (5) working days after the relevant phase of the application cycle
2	First Allocation selection process	Within (5) working days after the relevant phase of the application cycle
3	Second Allocation selection process	Within (5) working days after the relevant phase of the application and selection cycle

1) PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERATION OF COMPLAINTS AND APPEALS:

* The only grounds for appeals that will be considered are ONLINE appeals made by applicants to the HEAC by using the electronic form available on the HEAC website, verbal or written (letter or email) appeals or complaints will NOT be considered.

*Applicants will be informed by a text message about whether their complaint has been upheld or not, or whether their appeal was succesful or not, based on the Appeal Board's decision.

2) DISSATISFIED WITH HOW YOU LISTED YOUR SCHOLARSHIP OPTIONS IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE

All candidates – except those who have already completed their registration procedures with the external scholarships department and received allowances – can submit a 'Dissatisfied with Order of Preference Request' and this service will be available after the end of first allocation round period and registration procedures. Requirements to submit a request:

- The applicant should have achieved a higher / or an equally competitive score compared to competitive score of the last shortlisted student as per the order of merit approach used during the first allocation.
- A vacant place should be available.
- In case the number of applicants exceeded the number of places, the applicant(s) with the highest competitive score(s) will be accepted.
- All applicants are allowed to apply for up to 5 options, whether these are options from the earlier selected options or not.

3) 'RETRIEVE' OR RECLAIM SEAT SERVICE

HEAC may review the online requests of retrieving a seat which was withdrawn from the applicant because they did not accept the offer, or failed to complete the registration procedures within the relevant deadline, or because the offer was withdrawn. HEAC will contact students who 'lost' their seats through SMS to inform them of the application timeline to submit a seat retrieval request, which will take place after the second selection and allocation process.

- The request will be subject to the availability of vacant seats, and subject to approval of the concerned entity (higher education institution or scholarships department) to retrieve the seat for the student.
- In case the entity agreed to retrieve a seat for the student, and they did not complete registration procedures within the given period, they will not be able – under any circumstances- to claim it again.

HEAC SMS SERVICE

- TO ACCESS THE FOLLOWING SERVICES, SEND A TEXT MESSAGE TO THIS NUMBER (90190)

#	TEXT	CODE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION AND TYPE OF SERVICE	
1	H	H	Help	This service is based on providing a list of SMS services
2	I	I	Information	This service is based on providing information about the Higher Education Admissions Centre
3	Civil No set No GSM No GH xxxxxx xxxx xxxxxx	GH	Receive HEAC Number	To obtain your HEAC registration number
4	HEAC No PI xxxxxxxxxx	PI	Personal Information	The student will receive their personal data
5	HEAC No Social No AS xxxxxxxx xxxxxx	AS	Add Social security number	Student can add their Social Welfare number
6	HEAC No S xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	S	View Social Sec	The student review the social welfare number which they entered
7	HEAC No DS xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	DS	Delete Social Sec	To delete the social welfare number
8	HEAC No AL xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	AL	Add Low income status	To include the low-income household data
9	HEAC No VL xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	VL	View Low income status	Review their low-income status
10	HEAC No DL xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	DL	Delete Low income status	To delete the low income data
11	Civil No HEAC No GSM No CG xxxxxx xxxxxxxx	CG	Change Mobile number	To change the GSM (Mobile phone) number
12	HEAC No Prg Co RP xxxxxxxx, xxxxxx,xxxxxx,...	RP	List Scholarship Options	To enter scholarship options
13	HEAC No Prg Co Prg order IP xxxxxxx xxxxxx #2	IP	Insert Scholarship Options	To insert scholarships to the list, the student will text code (IP), followed by HEAC number, followed by scholarship code and then (#) and the order of options and send to 90190
14	HEAC No Delete Prg Co DP xxxxxxxx xxxxxxx	DP	Delete Scholarship Options	To delete options from registered list, the student will text code (DP) with HEAC number and the scholarship code

HEAC SMS SERVICE

- TO ACCESS THE FOLLOWING SERVICES, SEND A TEXT MESSAGE TO THIS NUMBER (90190)

#	TEXT	CODE	MESSAGE DESCRIPTION AND TYPE OF SERVICE	
15	HEAC No Old prg New prg xxxxxxx xxxxx xxxxx	CP	Changes in Scholarship Application	To make changes in their scholarship application, the student will have to type a message including code (CP), followed by HEAC number and the previous scholarship code, followed by the new scholarship code
16	Civil No R xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	R	Registration number	To provide the student with Higher Education Admissions Centre number (HEAC number), the code (R) with ID number to 90190. The system will send HEAC number to their mobile number which is inserted in the Admissions Centre database
17	HEAC No P xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	P	Programmes	To share the list of scholarship options as selected by the student, he or she should send code (P) followed by the HEAC number
18	HEAC No VS xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	VS	Social security status	An overview of their Social Welfare status. They should send the code (VS) followed by the HEAC number
19	HEAC No G xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	G	Grades	For enquires about the school grades as received from the Ministry Of Education. They should send code (G), followed by the HEAC number
20	HEAC No O xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	O	Scholarship offer after selection and allocation process	The student can learn about the outcome of the competitive selection and allocation process (whether they received an offer and, if so, which scholarship) through SMS by sending code (O), followed by the HEAC number
21	HEAC No A xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	A	Accept your offer	The student will send message code (A) followed by the HEAC number to accept their offer following the selection and allocation process
22	Prg Co C xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	C	Criteria	To receive information about the standard eligibility criteria of any scholarship, the student needs to send code (C), followed by the scholarship code
23	HEAC No EP xxxxxxxxxxxxxx	EP	Find Scholarships for which you are eligible to apply	For more information about scholarships for which they are deemed eligible

***NOTA BENE: When you write a SMS message for the HEAC system to receive, you should leave a (one) space between each code or details as mentioned in this overview. The student will shortly (within a few minutes after sending their text) receive a reply to each message sent to confirm whether their inserted data (message) was correct or not. If they do not receive any reply to a message then this means that the system didn't receive their message and they should try again.**

****This service costs .75 Baisa per text message.**



Government Higher Education Institutions, Internal and External Scholarships and Grants

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEMES ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022

ALL EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS SHOULD BEAR IN MIND THAT:

- An external scholarship enables a number of competitively shortlisted and academically qualified recipients to pay for and pursue a qualifying undergraduate degree course at an approved overseas higher education institution (HEI).

WHAT DOES AN EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP COVER?

- The external scholarship will cover the annual tuition fees as per the standard duration of the course, a monthly allowance to cover the basic living expenses and some additional allowances as per the scholarship law, and one annual return ticket (Sultanate of Oman – study destination) per academic year.
- All scholarship recipients, except for DE001, who do not yet meet the requirements of the undergraduate degree course, will be provided with an opportunity to take an English pre-session course and/or a foundation programme will have to complete this course within one calendar year (12 months). If scholarship recipients fail to meet the required English language requirements within one year, the Ministry reserves the right to suspend (=put on hold) the scholarship.

THE EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEMES

- There are different types of external undergraduate scholarships schemes:
 - MEDICINE - Medical scholarships are allocated to specific overseas Medical Schools.
 - STEM AND ESAM - cover a variety of courses and allow recipients (after the first allocation round) to choose the course, country and indicate their preferred HEI.
 - SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT & STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD) - cover specific courses and are allocated to specific countries, while the Ministry's overseas representatives reserve the right to choose a suitable pathway and HEI on behalf of the recipients.
 - DIRECT ENTRY SCHOLARSHIP (DES - DE001) - suitable for applicants who, during their final school year, already made a successful application for direct entry to an undergraduate degree and to one of the higher education institutions that have been approved for DES. The selection and application process involves a screening committee and the HEAC electronic system while students are primarily selected based on meeting the standard grades and having an offer of admission in place.
 - MINISTRY OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TEACHING

There may be a difference among the names broader areas of study or categories used in this HEAC admissions guide (which are aligned with the framework developed by the Oman Academic Accreditation Authority), the topics or subject names comprising the scholarships and the exact names of the programmes and degree titles offered by overseas HEIs. The exact name of the undergraduate degree course and even content may vary from one overseas institution to another, please visit the websites of approved HEIs for more information.

THE STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA BASED ON A METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH

- The external scholarships criteria are based on a 'research and consensus-methodology' developed by a research team from the DG for Scholarships. These criteria are aligned with the requirements set by a selected number of overseas higher education institutions that have all been recommended for the external undergraduate scholarships.
- The required grades for DES are MERELY standard grades (and no specific subject-requirements) as the applicant will have to meet the direct entry requirements set by the universities they applied to.
- The Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation continuously strives to further improve the scholarship application procedures and reserves the right to periodically review the eligibility criteria of its scholarships schemes and to adjust these requirements should this be deemed necessary to ensure academic progress and/or facilitate flexibility and promote equality of opportunity for all applicants.
- The external scholarship requirements are standard and consensus-based requirements for competitively applying for a scholarship, this means that HEIs may have set further entry requirements for specific courses and therefore the Ministry **cannot** guarantee securing admission for scholarship recipients to a particular course of preference and/or the preferred university.

HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

➤ The Ministry, through its overseas representatives, reserves the right to select a suitable institution for each scholarship recipient should this be deemed necessary and based on, inter alia, the capabilities of the student, the strength/reputation of the institution in a particular subject area, the location of the institution, the course admission requirements and availability.

➤ Please note that when a higher education institution has been recognised by the Ministry's department for Equivalency & Recognition, this does NOT necessarily mean it has also been recommended for any of the external scholarship schemes.

UPDATES

➤ While every effort has been made to ensure that the content of the external scholarship section of the student handbook is accurate and up-to-date, changes might be periodically made as this handbook is published at an early stage in view of the AY 2021/22 while changes might apply, including changes which are due to reasons beyond the Ministry's reasonable control. These changes will be uploaded separately to the Higher Education Admissions Centre's website.

SUBJECT TO ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND SCHOLARSHIPS LAW

➤ All sponsored students under the External Scholarships programme are governed by the general scholarship law and are expected to observe the rules and regulations of the Ministry (please refer to www.moheri.gov.om for more details).

➤ The scholarship is subject to satisfactory academic performance and personal conduct while studying abroad. The Ministry reserves the right to monitor and review the academic progress of scholarship students at any given time. The Ministry cannot guarantee progression towards graduation as this depends on the student's input.

➤ All teaching at overseas higher education institution is carried out in English (with the exception of Germany and France) and institutions will expect to demonstrate that you have sufficient fluency in English to cope with your foundation or undergraduate course from the start.

➤ All external scholarship applicants are advised to take an IELTS for UKVI, which is an English language assessment test that is accepted by all recommended higher education institutions in ALL study destinations and this test is mandatory for students who want to pursue a foundation programme in the UK. Depending on the outcome of this assessment, you may be advised to undertake an English language-training course. The outcome of the IELTS exam is used for admission procedures ONLY and your test results will NOT increase or decrease your chances of being awarded a scholarship, unless it has been specified otherwise.

➤ In case scholarship recipients fail to successfully complete a so-called foundation programme/pre-session programme within one year or standard duration of the course, the MoHERI reserves the right to take a necessary action.

➤ Once scholarship recipients have accepted a scholarship offer during the so-called first allocation round and already received their allowances and/or already travelled, they will no longer be allowed to competitively apply for another scholarship during the following allocation rounds (if applicable).

➤ A student who has been accepted by a higher education institution that charges tuition fees that exceed the annual scholarship fund per student, the student shall pay the Ministry of Higher Education the difference between the tuition fees and scholarship fund in advance (for the whole normal duration of their studies) provided the program (course or major) and country match the scholarship awarded by the HEAC electronic system.

➤ The undergraduate scholarship covers an undergraduate degree course – not what is considered to be a graduate course and the Ministry reserves the right to take a necessary action in case the student does not comply with this rule.

➤ Once scholarship recipients have accepted a scholarship in a particular area of study in one of the concerned study destinations, under NO normal circumstances will they be allowed to transfer to another course or major within another broader area of specialisation or to transfer to another study destination.

➤ In addition, some scholarships do not allow students to submit a request to change their course or major under any circumstances – even if the other major belongs to the same broader area of study.

GCC STUDY GRANTS: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

- Higher Education Institution: United Arab Emirates University
- The course will start in the second semester of the academic year 2021/2022
- Students require an IELTS Score of (5.0) OR a TOEFL score of (500).
- The university provides student accommodation, food, local transportation, books, and covers the tuition fees, while other expenses will have to be covered by the student or their parents/guardian as this concerns a partial grant.
- Student will receive a monthly allowance of (1,302) Emirati Dirhams from the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation in Oman.

COLLEGE OF SHARIA'A SCIENCES

Students must complete the requirements of the degree programme which consists of (131) credit hours with a minimum GPA of 2 and complete the required zero credit-training modules.

Type of Degree	Total nr of credits	Standard duration
Bachelor's degree	131	4 years

- The college provides free student accommodation and local transportation for students from outside of Muscat.
- The student has to complete training courses in accordance with the rules and regulations.
- The college pays a monthly allowance to students.
- All courses are taught in Arabic, except for two English courses based on two credits per course.

VOCATIONAL COLLEGES

- **COURSE DURATION:** The studies include a foundation programme of (4) semesters, followed by a specialised Diploma programme for (2) academic years.
- **Alumni Follow-up:** Graduates are monitored and supported by their college in order to help them find suitable job opportunities according to their majors and in coordination with possible employers.
- **Medium of Instruction:** English
- **Allowances:** All students are granted a monthly allowance.

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

ACADEMIC PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS/ MEETING THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS	In order to meet the institution's academic standards and earn a degree, the student will need to complete a certain number of credit hours while this will also depend on some other university regulations university or meeting the college require-ments, the main major and the sub-major, elective subjects, etc., etc.		
COURSE DURATION	Students are expected to complete their studies within the periods specified as follows: 1- Undergraduate degrees taught in Arabic:		
	Maximum duration	Expected duration	Total credit hours
	5 years	4 years	120-130
	6 years	5 years	130 and above
	2- Undergraduate Degrees taught in English:		
	Maximum duration	Expected duration	Total credit hours
	5.5 years	4.5 years	120-130
	6.5 years	5.5 years	130 and above
	8 years	6 years	Clinical Programme (College of Medicine)
ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORTATION	<p>There are 8 different apartment complexes. The following services are available:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special Cases Complex: This type of student accommodation is for students with disabilities or students requiring special health care needs and a certain environment. - First-Year Students Complex: This type of student accommodation is for first-year students who receive allowances to cover transportation, and living expenses. - Transportation Services: Buses are available to transport undergraduate degree students from the university to home and vice versa, provided that their homes are located on a certain distance in places such as Bidbid, Fanja and Barka. 		
MONTHLY ALLOWANCES	<p>Students may be eligible for the following financial support (in addition to the seat):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students from social welfare households: (40/- OMR a month) - Medical and Health Science students undertaking a clinical placement: (60/- OMR) - Students from low income households: (35/- OMR) - Those who are entitled to received an allowance to cover transportation and living costs: (120/- OMR) 		
TRAINING MODULES DURING STUDIES	Through cooperation between students and the assistant dean, students may be able to put their studies into practice through training at their colleges for 1-2 semesters.		
ALUMNI FOLLOW-UP	The Center for Career Guidance is the responsible authority authorised by the SQU Administration to provide services for alumni such as providing data to the relevant sectors for training and employment services. For more information, please visit the following link: http://www.squ.edu.om/ccg-ar		

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY & APPLIED SCIENCES

ACADEMIC PROGRESS REQUIREMENTS/ MEETING THE ACADEMIC STANDARDS	In order to meet the institution's academic standards and earn a degree, students must comply with the credit hours' system as required by the institution, programmes, and majors. Student should satisfy the graduation requirements with no less than a CGPA of (2.00) towards graduation.			
COURSE DURATION	Course duration by type of degree:			
	Type of Degree	Total nr of credit hours	Standard Course Duration	Maximum duration
	Bachelor's Degree	120-144	4 years	6 years
	Higher Diploma	90-108	3 years	4 years
	Diploma	60-72	2 years	3 years
ACCOMMODATION AND TRANSPORTATION	Subject to availability, on-campus accommodation is provided at the institutions in Ibri, Rustaq, Sur for female students whose homes are more than 50 km away from the institution. Female students should note that at the institutions other than those in Ibri, Rustaq or Sur, there will be no on-campus accommodation available, and they are responsible to find their own accommodation.			
TRAINING MODULES DURING STUDIES	Practical training is a mandatory course component for all students and this applies to all majors, and completion is required to graduate. A prospective Student Trainee should have completed the third academic year and 60 credit hours to register for this course component.			
MONTHLY ALLOWANCES	Male students living (50) km or more from the institution, will receive a monthly allowance of (90) RO, while those living in areas less than (50) km far from the college will receive (45) RO a month. Female students living (50) km or more from the college, will be provided on-campus accommodation according to availability in Ibri, Rustaq and Sure, and are paid a monthly allowance of (45) RO a month. In case on-campus accommodation is not available, they will be paid (90) RO a month to help cover living expenses and transportation. Female students living in areas less than (50) km far from the college will get (45) RO.			
MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION	<p>Courses taught in English: Applied Sciences programmes and English Teacher Preparation Bachelor's Degree Programme.</p> <p>Courses taught in Arabic: Bachelor of education programmes, "Science and Mathematics" in mathematics, chemistry, physics and biology.</p>			
OTHER INFORMATION	<p>Air Ticket Reimbursement:</p> <p>Return air tickets are granted to students once per academic year and it can be compensated and replaced by refund according to the lowest airfare at the time the student submit a requested for a ticket refund.</p> <p>The following students are eligible for air ticket reimbursement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Male and female students studying at the institution in Salalah, but not residing in the Dhofar Governorate. <p>An amount of (25) RO is paid once per academic semester to male and female students from Musandam and Musirah, provided that their family homes are no less than (200) km away from the institution.</p>			

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEMES ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/2022

THE INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS SCHEMES

BS: AN INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR A BACHELOR'S DEGREE FOR ALL QUALIFIED OMANI SECONDARY SCHOOL LEAVING APPLICANTS, REGARDLESS OF TYPE OF SCHOOL QUALIFICATION, GENDER OR FINANCIAL CIRCUMSTANCES. THIS SCHOLARSHIP COVERS THE TUITION FEES, OTHER EXPENSES, SUCH AS TRANSPORTATION AND ACCOMMODATION (IF APPLICABLE), WILL BE PAID FOR BY THE STUDENT AND/OR THEIR FAMILY.

SF: AN INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS FROM SOCIAL WELFARE FAMILIES, THAT COVERS THE TUITION FEES OF A DIPLOMA COURSE. THE SF RECIPIENTS WILL RECEIVE A MONTHLY ALLOWANCE AND CAN SELECT THE PREFERRED HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION, BASED ON THE AVAILABILITY OF THE COURSE COVERED BY THEIR SCHOLARSHIP.

SP: AN INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS FROM LOW-INCOME FAMILIES, THAT COVERS THE TUITION FEES OF A DIPLOMA COURSE AND ONLY STUDENTS FROM HOUSEHOLDS WITH A MONTHLY INCOME OF 600 OMR OR LESS, ARE CONSIDERED ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS. THIS SCHOLARSHIP COVER THE TUITION FEES AND OTHER EXPENSES, SUCH A LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AND ACCOMMODATION (IF REQUIRED), WILL HAVE TO BE PAID FOR BY THE STUDENT AND/OR THEIR FAMILY. THE SP RECIPIENTS CAN SELECT THE PREFERRED HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION, BASED ON THE AVAILABILITY OF THE COURSE COVERED BY THEIR SCHOLARSHIP.

The expected standard study duration for the Foundation Programme (Language) should not exceed one year. If the student does not meet the requirements within one year, their scholarship will be suspended for no more than one year. During that period, the student has to meet certain requirements to maintain their internal scholarship. The following are a number of conditions that require students' careful attention before applying for ANY OF THE internal scholarships:

- ❖ Students must meet the English language requirements as set by the institution, in order to join the academic programme or to be eligible to direct enter to a programme at any institution in the equivalent area of study. If the student fails to do so within the given period, his/her scholarship will be withdrawn.
- ❖ Accommodation will be provided by the Private Higher Education Institutions, taking into a consideration that the cost of the accommodation will be covered by the students. (Muscat University and Modern College of Business and Science are not included).
- ❖ All students who will be awarded an internal scholarship by HEAC are advised to provide the supporting documents to complete their registration procedures with the institutions where have been accepted during the allocated period.
- ❖ Students from Social Welfare households who have accepted scholarships are advised to include their bank accounts by using the personal data link in HEAC electronic system.
- ❖ Students from Lower Income household who applied to the diploma course, must note that in case they do not present the required documents showing that their parents' income does no exceed an amount of (550 OMR) per month from the Wali or parents' workplace within the given period, will be rejected automatically from the course
- ❖ The applicant should not be an employee from any Private or Government Sector.
- ❖ All students who were awarded an Internal Scholarship by the Higher Education Admissions Centre (HEAC) should submit the supporting documents to complete their registration with the Private Higher Education Institutions during the given period.
- ❖ Social Security students who were awarded a full Internal Scholarship must provide their bank account number via the (Personal Details) Link on the HEAC website.
- ❖ In case the Higher Education Admissions Centre (HEAC) detected that a Social Security student does not belong to Social Security category, their seat will automatically be replaced with a Low-Income assigned seat, if approved.
- ❖ If a Low-Income student does not provide what shows that the total income of the family does not exceed "600" OMR per month, admitted by the administrative head of the Wilayat (the Wally) or the parent's employer during registration date, the scholarship will be withdrawn.
- ❖ When recipients complete the registration process, they should refer to the educational institution in order to update their electronic file, as all services provided by Internal Scholarships Department are available online on the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation Website: <http://www.mohe.gov.om/>
- ❖ Note: We highly recommend you pay careful attention when selecting the specific code of each Internal Scholarship. Any error in the application and selection process may result in losing your eligibility to complete for the scholarship, and hence, the seat will be withdrawn.
- ❖ In addition to the scholarships specified for Social Welfare students or Low-income students, students who belong to these categories also have the right to apply for any other Internal Scholarships programme, provided they meet the criteria.
- ❖ Students who are awarded a Social Welfare programmes (SF), Low-income programmes (SP) & Scholarships for female applicants who score an average of 80% (SR), may select the preferred institution. Students are NOT Allowed to transfer to the preferred College or University after the completion of registration.
- ❖ In case a student faces any technical issue, they should contact the Technical Support Team via the official channels.

GENERAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMMES (GFPs)

HEAC Statistics indicate that a majority of students who achieved a General Education Diploma or an equivalent qualification will first pursue a general foundation programme which they will have to successfully complete to progress into their programme at higher education institutions (HEIs) in Oman.

*A GFP is a bridging course designed to equip students with the appropriate grounding and necessary skills for entry into studying a course at a higher education institution.

*A GFP syllabus usually consists of four core areas of learning: academic English language skills, Maths, Computing and Study Skills

*Some HEIs may also require that the student should meet further requirements

*GFP students do not earn any credit points or credit hours, instead the performance of each GFP student will be assessed as per the pass/fail policies set and implemented by each HEI in Oman.

The Oman Academic Accreditation Authority or OAAA's Role in view of the Quality Assurance of GFPs offered by institutions in Oman:

- Develop and review GFP Standards
- Audit GFP programmes

For more information, please visit: www.oaaa.gov.om

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الصحة HEALTH

Are you a people person? Do you like helping others and taking care of them? Are you interested preventing, diagnosing and treating diseases? If yes, then this section offers many choices, Doctor of Medicine being one of them. Other healthcare professions include Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Dental technology, Veterinary medicine, podiatry, audiology, optometry, etc. Would you like to stay behind the scenes, then why not become a Medical Lab Scientist. You can also explore Allied Health programmes, such as Diagnostic Radiography or Radiation Therapy. The healthcare sector offers exhaustive options right from Occupational Therapy, Sport Rehabilitation, Physiotherapy or Prosthetics & Orthotics, to Dietetics, Speech & Language Therapy and more.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.

TERMS AND CONDITONS

EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN MEDICINE, DENTISTRY AND VETERINARY MEDICINE

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- Scholarship Recipients who have been competitively selected for Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine (VET) usually have to meet further (=additional) requirements set by the University in order to progress onto the undergraduate degree programme - these further requirements may vary from one university to another and may include an interview, a pre-sessional English language course and/or a successful completion of a pre-Medical foundation programme and, in some cases, an aptitude or admissions test.
- Even if you are competitively awarded a scholarship, entry to Medicine, Dentistry or VET programmes is NOT guaranteed and is conditional on meeting all further requirements in due course. Please check the websites of the approved universities for further details.
- The Ministry cannot guarantee an acceptance into the undergraduate degree programme: Guaranteed progression to the programme is only an option so long as the student meets all the requirements set by the university.
- In case the scholarship recipient fails to meet any of the (direct entry) requirements within due course, the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation shall not be obliged to assist the student in seeking admission to a Medicine, Dentistry or VET programme at another university in any of the study destinations.
- Although the scholarship and course entries were accurate at the time of publication of this handbook, necessary changes might be periodically made due to circumstances outside the reasonable control of the MoHERI and students are advised to check back often the relevant HEAC website pages. The English version of this student guide was put together at courtesy of the HEAC and guest editors. In case of any discrepancies, the Arabic version of this content shall prevail over the English version.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS IN MEDICINE

- Prospective applicants are advised to timely take the IELTS for UKVI ACADEMIC TEST to avoid a future deferral of admission. **Guaranteed progression to Medicine, Dentistry or VET is only an option so long as the student meets all the further requirements set by the university.** An university interview MAY be part of the scholarship selection process after the change of preference period. Students who passed this interview and are competitively awarded an interview-based scholarship cannot request to transfer to another Medical or Dental School. Please read the terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE008	MEDICINE at the University College Dublin (UCD) in THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND Medium of Instruction: English	An average of at least (90%) plus: - Chemistry at (95%) or higher - 2 from Biology, Physics or Pure Mathematics at (90%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	
SE005	MEDICINE at the Royal College of Surgeons in THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND (RCSI) Medium of Instruction: English	An average of at least (95%) plus: - Chemistry at (95%) or higher - 2 from Biology, Physics or Pure Mathematics at (90%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	Chemistry, followed by English
SE017	MEDICINE at Trinity College in THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND Medium of Instruction: English	An average of at least (96%) plus: - Chemistry at (96%) or higher - Biology at (96%) or higher - Pure Mathematics at (96%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	Chemistry, followed by Biology
SE021	MEDICINE at the National University of Ireland Galway in THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND Medium of Instruction: English	An average of at least (90%) plus: - Chemistry and Biology at (90%) or higher - Pure Mathematics and Physics at (85%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	
SE006	MEDICINE* at the Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) - Bahrain (Campus) in BAHRAIN Medium of Instruction: English Applicants require an IELTS overall score of (5.0)	An average of at least (95%) plus: - Chemistry (90%) - 2 from Biology, Pure mathematics or Physics (90%) - English (90%)	Chemistry, followed by English
SE003	MEDICINE at the Arabian Gulf University in BAHRAIN Medium of Instruction: English	An average of at least (95%) plus: - Chemistry and Biology at (90%) or higher - 1 from Pure Mathematics or Physics at (85%) or higher - English at (85%) or higher	Chemistry, followed by Biology

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS IN MEDICINE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE010	MEDICINE at the University of Nicosia in CYPRUS Medium of Instruction: English	An average of at least (90%) plus: - Chemistry at (90%) or higher - Biology at (90%) or higher - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Physics at (85%) or higher - English (85%)	Chemistry, followed by Biology
SE012	MEDICINE at the University of Glasgow in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (90%) plus: - Chemistry at (95%) or higher - Biology at (90%) or higher - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Physics at (85%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	
SE007	MEDICINE at the University of Aberdeen in THE UNITED KINGDOM		
SE009	MEDICINE at the University of Birmingham in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (95%) plus: - Chemistry at (95%) or higher - Biology at (95%) or higher - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Physics at (85%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	
SE004	MEDICINE in NEW ZEALAND a university interview is part of the scholarship selection process* and shortlisted applicants will be invited for an interview.	An average of at least (90%) plus: - Chemistry at (95%) or higher - Biology at (90%) or higehr - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Physics at (85%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher	Chemistry, followed by Biology
SE011	DENTISTRY at the University of Otago in NEW ZEALAND a university interview is part of the scholarship selection process* and shortlisted applicants will be invited for an interview.	An average of at least (90%) - Chemistry at (90%) or higher - Biology at (90%) or higher -1 of Pure Mathematics or Physics at (90%) or higher - English at (85%)or higher	Chemistry, followed by Biology
SE014	DENTISTRY at the University of Glasgow in THE UNITED KINGDOM		
SE015	DENTISTRY at the University of Leeds in THE UNITED KINGDOM		
SE032	VETERINARY MEDICINE at the University of Glasgow in THE UNITED KINGDOM - Students will not be allowed to request for a transfer to another undergraduate degree or university while they will have to participate in practical training components during the summer.		

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION - SSSD

- In case a SSSD scholarship comprises more than one undergraduate course or major, please consider that some undergraduate degrees may have further requirements as set by the approved overseas higher education institutions (HEIs) and the Oman Ministry of Higher Education, Research & Innovation (MoHERI) cannot guarantee that recipients are able to secure an admission to the selected course and/or HEI of their highest personal preference.
- The MoHERI reserves the right to select a suitable institution for each individual SSSD scholarship recipient.
- All prospective external scholarship applicants are advised to timely take a suitable ACADEMIC IELTS TEST (English language test) to avoid a future deferral (delay) of admission. You can find more information about which type of test would suit you best in this feature: https://heac.gov.om/media/doc/FAQS_ELTS_EN.pdf.
- Please bear in mind though that some undergraduate courses are offered by more than one HEI (even in one particular destination) and the exact name of the course and/or undergraduate degree title might differ from one HEI to another.
- Please read the general terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE044	Nursing at the University of Louisiana – Lafayette in THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 of Biology or Chemistry (90%) - Pure or Applied Mathematics (80%) - English (90%) - Social Studies (75%) 	English
SE801	Nursing at the University of Auckland in NEW ZEALAND A university interview is part of the scholarship selection process	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English (90%) - 1 of Biology or Chemistry (85%) - PLUS applicant must have achieved at least (75%) in each other school subject 	
SE441	Radiation Therapy/Radiotherapy, Prosthetics & Orthotics, Diagnostic/Medical Imaging, Radiography, Medical Physics or Physics with Medical Physics in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by 1 of Physics or Engineering
SE423	Physiotherapy* or Occupational Therapy in NEW ZEALAND	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 of Pure Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry or Physics (85%) - English (85%) 	2 of Pure Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry or Physics
SE416	Sport Rehabilitation, Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy, Speech & Language Therapy, Dietetics (NOT Nutrition), Podiatry, Paramedic Science or Public Health in THE UNITED KINGDOM - students must bear in mind that scholarship recipients are not allowed to change their major		

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION - SSSD

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE419	Dental Technology or Oral Health (NOT DENTISTRY) at the University of Otago in NEW ZEALAND	An average of at least (85%) plus: - Pure Mathematics (85%) - Biology (90%) - English (80%)	Pure Math, followed by Biology
SE417	Audiology or Dental Technology in THE UNITED KINGDOM <i>scholarship applicants will require an IELTS for UKVI score of 5.5 with no band scores lower than 5.5</i>	An average of at least (85%) plus: - English (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 from Biology, Chemistry or Physics (85%)	Pure Mathematics, followed by 1 of Biology, Chemistry or Physics
SE062	Medical Laboratory Science in NEW ZEALAND	An average of at least (85%) plus: - Pure Mathematics (85%) - Chemistry and Biology (90%) - English (85%)	Chemistry, followed by Biology
SE400	Occupational Health & Safety in the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	An average of at least (85%) plus: - English (85%) - 1 of Biology or Chemistry (90%) - applicant must have achieved at least (75%) in each other school subject	1 of Biology, Chemistry

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

IMPORTANT NOTES

1. Internal scholarships ONLY cover the annual tuition fees. The parent(s) or guardian(s) will be responsible to cover the cost of transportation and accommodation (if necessary). Regarding to the Social Security Students, a monthly allowance will be provided to them as decided by the concerned authorities.

2. Internal scholarship recipients will have to complete the foundation course within one year. In case a scholarship recipient fails to meet the required English language requirements within one year, the Ministry of Higher education, Research and Innovation reserves the right to suspend (=put on hold) the scholarship for a period of maximum one year during which the student will have to improve their English language skills at their own expense in order to meet the academic entry requirements set by the institution or obtain an offer of admission (based on a direct entry to an undergraduate degree course) from any other private Higher Education Institution in Oman. If the student fails to meet the entry requirements within the given period, the MoHERI reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
BS001	Doctor of Medicine (MD)	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Chemistry and Biology at (80%) or higher - English (70%)	National University of Science & Technology <i>Medium of Instruction : English</i> <i>*Applicants must sit an admissions test and interview as part of the application process.</i>
BS006	Medical and Dental Surgery	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Chemistry, Biology and English at (80%) or higher - Pure or Applied Maths (65%)	Oman Dental College

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
BS017	Nursing	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Biology, English and Chemistry at (60%) or higher	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: English *Applicants must sit an admissions test as part of the application process.
BS227	Nursing	An average of at least (65%) plus: - at least (60%) in Biology or Health Sciences, Pure Maths, English and Chemistry	AL Buraimi University Medium of Instruction: English *Applicants must sit an admissions test as part of the application process.
BS228	Optics	An average of at least (65%) plus: - at least (60%) in Pure Maths, Biology or Health Sciences, Chemistry and Physics AND at least (55%) in English	
BS002	Pharmacy	An average of at least (65%) plus: - at least (65%) in Biology, English, Chemistry	National University of Science & Technology Medium of Instruction : English
BS289	Pharmacy	An average of at least (65%) plus: - at least (60%) in English, Chemistry and Biology	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : English
BS018	Veterinary Medicine	An average of at least (70%) plus: - at least (70%) in English and Biology - 1 from Physics or Chemistry (65%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction : English
BS086	Medical Laboratory Sciences	An overall average of at least (65%) plus: Chemistry, Biology, English at (65%) or higher	

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ050	Doctor of Medicine at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences		
SQ055	Biomedical Sciences at the College of Medicine and Health Sciences	An average of at least (85%) PLUS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics AND English at (80%) or higher - AND 2 from Chemistry, Physics and Biology at (80%) or higher 	-
SQ100	College of Nursing	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At least (65%) in English - Must have studied Pure Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics and Biology and achieved (65%) or higher in 3 from these 4 subjects. 	-

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US009	Pharmacy	An overall average of at least (60%) and a pass in the following subjects: Pure Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Health Sciences AND English.	The highest marks in: Chemistry, Biology or Health sciences	HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat

OMAN COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

1. DURATION

All students start with the Foundation programme followed by an undergraduate degree course, while the duration may vary from one course to another, depending on the area of specialisation.

2. FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

In order to progress onto the first year of the programmes at the Oman College of Health Sciences, students must first successfully complete the Foundation Programme, which is a preparation programme for students who do not yet meet the direct entry requirements for a course at the Oman College of Health Sciences. The programme is divided into three semesters and delivered at three levels, and provides a structured journey during which students will develop their core knowledge and skills in English language, Mathematics and Information Technology. The programme will also equip students with study skills, independent learning and other essential or necessary life skills. The Foundation Programme will be delivered using the latest methods and strategies to guide students towards effective independent learning.

3. SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS

The student's progression from one academic year onto the following academic year and graduation are subject to their progress through their programme. Students will have to timely obtain a pass in view of all academic course modules and achieve a specific cumulative grade point average (CGPA) according to the academic programme pursued by them.

4. MONTHLY ALLOWANCES

An amount of (45) Omani Rials a month will be granted to students whose residence is located on a physical distance of (50) kilometers or less from the College. Students who live on a physical distance of more than (50) kilometers from the institution are granted (90) Omani Rials a month.

5. HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

The college will not provide housing and transportation for students.

6. ALUMNI

The Alumni Association aims to further improve the communication between alumni and the College for the purpose of professional development and community service.

7. TRAINING DURING STUDIES

Practical training is available for academic programmes and a number of training courses are available to students.

8. MEDIUM OF INSTRUCTION & MIXED GENDER ENVIRONMENT

Our programmes are generally taught in English, while some course modules are taught or studied in Arabic teaching and training may take place in a mixed-gender education environment.

9. AGE & HEIGHT REQUIREMENT

Applicants should be at least 17 years of age and should not exceed 22 years of age in the year they intend to start with the studies. Students should also be at least 1.40 cm or taller.

10. MEDICAL CONDITION

Students should be physically fit to study and practice the courses. If you are a student with special needs, please make sure to choose a course that would allow you to meet the requirements.

11. ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to attend their classes no later than within the first two weeks of the first term. Non-attendance is counted as an unauthorised absence.

OMAN PHARMACY COLLEGE

The aim of Pharmacy programme is to educate and train students for a period of four years (upon successful completion of the Foundation Programme) and award them with a Bachelor of Pharmacy. Students must successfully complete professional course modules such as Pharmacy Practice, Dosage Forms, Applied Therapeutics, Pharmaceutical and Medicinal Chemistry, as well as non-professional course modules. Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are expected to be qualified to work in the Government or private sector facilities providing healthcare services, depending on the available job vacancies.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	TIE BREAKERS
PI005	Bachelor of Pharmacy	An average of at least (65%) PLUS Chemistry AND Biology or Health Sciences at grade (65%)	Places are offered to applicants from all Governorates of the Sultanate according to the number of positions available for the Governorate.	1. Chemistry 2. Biology or Health sciences 3. English

COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

Health Sciences programmes offer three areas of specialisation: Medical Laboratory Sciences, Medical Imaging and Physiotherapy. The Medical Laboratory Sciences (MLS) Programme is a four years Bachelor's degree programme (excluding the Foundation Programme). This programme equips students with a training in medical laboratories to perform scientific studies of blood, body fluids and body tissues that help clinicians diagnose and treat patients. Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are expected to be qualified to work in the Government or private sector facilities providing healthcare services, depending on the available job vacancies.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	TIE BREAKERS
IH001	Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Sciences	An average of at least (65%) PLUS Biology or Health sciences AND Chemistry at grade (65%)	Places are offered to applicants from all Governorates of the Sultanate according to the number of positions available for each Governorate.	1. Biology or Health sciences 2. Chemistry 3. English

The Medical Imaging programme aims to train students to become Omani professional radiographers. The duration of the programme is four years (excluding the foundation programme). The programme includes teaching and training the students to perform radiographic examinations to produce high-quality images of different body parts to investigate disease processes using conventional Radiography and Computerized Tomography. Students are also introduced to other imaging modalities. Graduates of this programme will have developed critical thinking, problem-solving, effective communication, teamwork, and research skills. The clinical aspect of the programme conducted at hospitals comprises 41% of the time allotted for the programme. Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are expected to be qualified to work in the Government or private sector facilities providing healthcare services, depending on the available job vacancies.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	TIE BREAKERS
IH002	Bachelor of Medical Imaging	An average of at least (65%) PLUS Physics AND Biology or Health sciences at grade (65%)	Places are offered to applicants from all Governorates of Oman according to positions available for the Governorate.	1. Physics 2. Biology or Health sciences 3. English

The Physiotherapy programme is a four years Bachelor (excluding the Foundation Programme). Physiotherapy comprises the care and services provided by the physiotherapist. It includes the assessment of patients who have health related conditions, physical and/functional impairments, or disabilities to determine the physical diagnosis, based on the aim to alleviate the impairments and functional limitations, and promoting and maintaining good health and quality of motor and functional performance. Physiotherapy education incorporates humanistic principles, scientific inquiry and service to society. The aim of our physiotherapy programme is to produce physiotherapists who have the knowledge, professional skills and attitudes necessary to play an essential role in health education, provide competent care and treatment of patients, evaluate the effectiveness of the therapy applied and modify the same where appropriate. Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are expected to be qualified to work in the Government or private sector facilities providing healthcare services, depending on the available job vacancies.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	TIE BREAKERS
IH003	Bachelor of Physiotherapy	An average of at least (65%) PLUS Biology or Health Sciences AND Physics at grade (65%)	Places are offered to applicants from all Governorates of Oman according to positions available for the Governorate	1. Biology or Health sciences 2. Physics 3. English

NURSING

The Nursing programme is available in eight governorates: Muscat, North Batinah, South Batinah, Al- Dakhiliya, Al-Dhahira, North Sharqiya, South Sharqiya and Dhofar. The aim of the Bachelor of Science in Nursing is to prepare students for a pro-fessional career in Nursing, while the Bachelor Programme takes four years to complete (upon successful completion of the Foundation Programme). Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are expected to be qualified to work in the Government or private sector facilities providing healthcare services, depending on the available job vacancies.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	TIE BREAKERS
NM001	Bachelor of Science in Nursing	An average of at least (65%) PLUS Biology or Health sciences AND Chemistry at grade (60%)	1. Biology or Health Sciences 2. Chemistry 3. English	Nursing in Muscat Making an application to this branch is only an option for GED students who graduated from schools in the Governorates of Muscat, Wilayat of Barka, Bidbid and Masira.
NH001				Nursing in Al-Dhahira Making an application to this branch is only an option for GED students graduated from schools in the Governorates of Al-Dhahira and Buraimi.
NI001				Nursing in North Shargiya Making an application to this branch is only an option for GED students who graduated from schools in the Governorate of North Sharqiya.
NU001				Nursing in South Shargiya Making an application to this branch is only for students who graduated from schools in the Governorate of South Sharqiya except Wilayat Masira.
NS001				Nursing in North Batinah Application to these branch is only for students who received their General Diploma of Education from schools of Governorates of North Batinah and Musandam.
NR001				Nursing in South Batinah Application to this branch is only for students who received their General Diploma of Education from schools of Governorate of South Batinah except Wilayat Barka.
NN001				Nursing in Dakhiliya Application to this branch is only an option for students who graduated from schools in the Governorates of Al-Dakhiliya and Al-Wusta. Applicants from Wilayat Bidbid are not able to study at this college branch.
NA001				Nursing in Dhofar Making an application to this branch is only an option for students who graduated from schools of Governorate of Dhofar.

HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

The aim of this programme is to award young prospective Omani human resources with a Bachelor of Health Information Management. Students must obtain a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.75% (75%) by the end of the second year of their studies in order to progress onto the third and fourth year. If a student does not obtain this cumulative GPA, they will graduate with a diploma instead of a Bachelor's degree. the programme consists of theoretical and practical course modules that will equip students with the core skills and knowledge required for them to qualify to be employed in the areas of Health Informatics and Electronic Information Management. Upon successful completion of the programme, graduates are expected to be qualified to work in the Government or private sector facilities providing healthcare services, depending on the available job vacancies.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	TIE BREAKERS
HM001	Bachelor of Health Information Management	An average of at least (65%) PLUS Biology or Health Sciences AND Applied or Pure Mathematics at grade (65%)	1. Biology or Health Sciences 2. Applied or Pure Mathematics	Places are offered to applicants from all Governorates of Oman according to positions available.

برامج دراسية متعددة التخصصات
Interdisciplinary Scholarships

STEM, ESAM and DES are referred to as ‘interdisciplinary scholarships’ as they allow students to choose from a wider range of eligible courses and countries, provided they meet the criteria set for the particular course and provided a particular course is available at an approved HEI in their preferred study destination. ESAM only covers courses that fall in the broader subject areas: Education, Society & Culture, Creative Arts, Architecture or Business & Management, while STEM only covers courses that fall in one of the following subject areas: Health Sciences (except for Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Medicine and Pharmacy), Natural & Physical Sciences, Environmental & Agricultural Sciences, Information Technology or Engineering & Related Technologies. The Direct Entry Scholarship (DES) covers all undergraduate courses, even if they are not listed in this student guide but provided it is considered an undergraduate degree, subject to terms & conditions for the programme’s duration.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.



STEM (SE380) AND ESAM (SE390) SCHOLARSHIPS

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STEM AND ESAM COVER A VARIETY OF COURSES ACROSS DIFFERENT AREAS OF STUDY

- STEM and ESAM are two external undergraduate scholarships schemes 'across different areas of study' and cover courses listed by the categories to which they belong according to the Oman Academic Accreditation Authority.
- The STEM scholarship covers undergraduate courses that involve **Science, Technology, Engineering and/or Maths** and that fall under at least one of the following categories: **NATURAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES, AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES, HEALTH SCIENCES (EXCEPT FOR MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, VET OR MPHARM), IT, ENGINEERING and/or ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION.**
- ESAM covers courses within the areas of **EDUCATION, SOCIAL SCIENCES, ARTS and/or MANAGEMENT.**
- During the external scholarship recipient registration phase in September, STEM and ESAM scholarship RECIPIENTS may select the preferred study destination, and the preferred undergraduate degree programme within one of the broader categories as per their scholarship, and provided they are expected to meet the further admissions requirements set by the higher education institution for that particular course.

DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STANDARD ELIGIBILITY AND FURTHER REQUIREMENTS

- The standard subject-specific criteria set for these scholarships by the Directorate-General for Scholarships and as published in this guide are flexible, while the further admissions requirements may vary from one course and/or university to another and, for this reason, the MoHERI cannot guarantee that any of the scholarship recipients will be able to pursue their course(s) and/or at the higher education institution of their personal preference. Hence, prospective STEM and ESAM scholarship applicants need to independently check that they have chosen the right school subjects for the course they have chosen, and are likely to achieve the required grades.

WHAT DO STEM AND ESAM COVER?

- Examples of eligible undergraduate courses have been listed by category on the following pages. If you cannot find your preferred course listed here, please send an email to the department for public services (public.services@mohe.gov.om), and preferably BEFORE the end of the change of preference period in August. The course will be subject to approval and has to fall under one of the main categories as per the scholarship (i.e. courses that fall under STEM are different from courses that fall under ESAM).
- Unlike DES, STEM & ESAM scholarships cover a pre-session language and/or foundation programme, should this be deemed necessary by the concerned higher education institutions.

APPROVED STUDY DESTINATIONS AND HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS

- STEM & ESAM scholarship recipients may study an undergraduate degree course in either CANADA, FRANCE, GERMANY, IRELAND, MALAYSIA, THE NETHERLANDS, THE UNITED KINGDOM or THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. Please note that New Zealand and Australia are **not** options for the academic year 2021/22 due to the temporary closure of the borders because of the pandemic.
- STEM & ESAM scholarship recipients may choose the country of preference but should check, based on their own research, whether their preferred course is available in the country of preference as not all courses are available (at undergraduate level) in all countries.
- Students who wish to study in the USA or Canada and who do not yet have an offer of admission in place, will usually enroll in the University Connection programme or a similar university preparation programme (e.g. at the University of Delaware) for maximum one academic year and upon completion of such a prep programme, the student will have to submit an offer of admission from one of the approved schools. More details about approved HEIs are available on the website of the CAO in Washington D.C while details about the prep programmes will be announced in due course.
- Applicants can also refer to the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) that have been approved for any of the other types of external undergraduate scholarship as a guideline. STEM and ESAM scholarship recipients need to seek admission to a recommended Higher Education Institution within a given period and should note application deadlines set by HEIs. Although it is NOT necessary for STEM and ESAM applicants to submit an offer letter from a university in order to compete for the STEM and/or ESAM scholarship, scholarship recipients may still submit an offer of admission or letter of acceptance which will be subject to approval.
- Students should bear in mind that this year STEM and ESAM scholarships will be competitively awarded in September 2021 which may NOT coincide with the programme joining dates that apply to a number of overseas HEIs.
- Students are not allowed to transfer to another study destination, area of specialisation or Higher Education Institution without the prior consent of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation while the MoHERI reserves the right to NOT grant such requests.
- All STEM & ESAM scholarship recipients, after they have been competitively awarded the scholarship, will receive a brief from their administrator at the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (MoHERI) prior to the completion of the registration as a new student with the external UG scholarships department.
- For further questions, please contact the department for public or customer services and they will forward your question(s) to the Directorate-General for Scholarships.

STEM EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

STEM scholarships enable recipients to pursue their undergraduate degree at approved Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) abroad. The scholarship recipient may select the preferred major/course and study destination once competitively awarded one of these scholarships, while terms & conditions may apply. Please note that the HEIs may set further requirements for certain courses which may differ from the standard eligibility criteria set by the DG for Scholarships. THE MINISTRY CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT A SELECTED CANDIDATE WILL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF A CERTAIN PROGRAMME AS SET BY A SPECIFIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION OR THAT THE COURSE IS AVAILABLE IN EACH COUNTRY. Before applying, students need to check that they have, or are likely to achieve, the right grades in the relevant subjects for the subject you are interested in as some programmes may have further requirements and students need to check if their preferred major/course is available in the country of preference. In case the student cannot progress onto one of the undergraduate courses as per their scholarship, this may have implications in view of their scholarship.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE380	<p>STEM SCHOLARSHIPS IN COURSES/MAJORS* INVOLVING SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND/OR MATHEMATICAL SCIENCES (STEM) IN THE AREAS OF HEALTH*, SCIENCES, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING OR ARCHITECTURE</p> <p>* This scholarship does NOT cover Medicine, MPharm, Clinical Psychology, Veterinary Medicine or Dentistry</p>	<p>An average of at least (90%) PLUS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics at (90%) or higher - 1 of Biology, Chemistry or Physics at (90%) or higher - English at (85%) or higher 	Pure Maths, followed by English

STEM (SE380) SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS MAY STUDY ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBLE UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE COURSES OR MAJORS. IF YOU CANNOT FIND YOUR PREFERRED COURSE LISTED HERE, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC SERVICES (PUBLIC.SERVICES@MOHE.GOV.OM) AS THE COURSE WILL BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AND HAS TO FALL UNDER ONE THE FOLLOWING MAIN CATEGORIES:

CATEGORY: ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION A: Architecture L: Landscape Architecture P: Property Management R: Real Estate Management U: Urban Planning. **Please note that most courses under Architecture involve STEM subjects but also Arts and therefore Higher Education Institutions may require you to submit an Art portfolio that showcases your work and demonstrates your creative abilities.**

CATEGORY: HEALTH A: Audiology B: Biomedical Sciences, Biomedical Engineering D: Dietetics (NOT Nutrition) G: Genetics H: Health(care) Policy and/or Management, Health Education, Health Economics, Health Promotion; Health Administration M: Medical Physics, Medical Laboratory Science P: Public Health Science, Podiatry, Prosthetics & Orthotics, R: Respiratory Therapy, Radiography, Radiology

THIS SCHOLARSHIP does NOT cover Medicine, Pharmacy, Clinical Psychology, Veterinary Medicine or Dentistry.

CATEGORY: AGRICULTURAL & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE OR NATURAL & PHYSICAL SCIENCES

A: Aquaculture & Fisheries, Astronomy, Astrophysics B: Biological Sciences, Business Statistics C: Conservation (and/or Environment), Chemistry E: Earth Sciences, Environmental Sciences F: Forensic Science G: Geology, Geophysics, Geochemistry H: Hydrogeology L: Life Sciences M: Meteorology, Mathematics and/or with Statistics (or Applied Maths), Marine Science or Marine Biology P: Physics (or Applied Physics) S: Sustainability Science, Science, Statistics W: Water Technology Z: Zoology (=Animal Science, not VET)

CATEGORY: INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & RELATED TECHNOLOGIES

A: Animation C: Computer Science, Computer Science &/with Artificial Intelligence, Computer Forensics, Computer Science &/or with Software or Smart Phone App Development, Cyber Security D: Data/Information Science

CATEGORY: ENGINEERING & RELATED TECHNOLOGIES

A: Acoustical Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering (should concern a NON-flight major - cannot include Pilot Training!), Architectural Engineering B: Building Services/Maintenance Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Building (Civil) Engineering C: Chemical Engineering, Construction Engineering E: Electrical and/or Electronic(s) Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Ecology F: Fire Safety Engineering; G: Geological Engineering I: Industrial Engineering L: Logistics Engineering M: Materials Engineering, Mining Engineering, Metallurgical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Mechatronics/Mechatronic Engineering N: Network Engineering; P: Petroleum or Oil & Gas Engineering; R: Renewable Energy Engineering; S: Systems Engineering, Surveying Engineering, Sustainability Studies or Engineering T: Transport Engineering, Telecommunications Engineering.

ESAM EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

ESAM scholarships enable recipients to pursue their undergraduate degree at approved Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) abroad. The scholarship recipient may select the preferred major/course and study destination once competitively awarded one of these scholarships, while terms & conditions may apply. Please note that the HEIs may set further requirements for certain courses which may differ from the standard eligibility criteria set by the DG for Scholarships. THE MINISTRY CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT A SELECTED CANDIDATE WILL MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF A CERTAIN PROGRAMME AS SET BY A SPECIFIC HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION OR THAT THE COURSE IS AVAILABLE IN EACH COUNTRY. Before applying, students need to check that they have, or are likely to achieve, the right grades in the relevant subjects for the subject you are interested in as some programmes may have further requirements and students need to check if their preferred major/course is available in the country of preference. In case the student cannot progress onto one of the undergraduate courses as per their scholarship, this may have implications in view of their scholarship.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE390	ESAM SCHOLARSHIPS IN COURSES/MAJORS* IN THE AREAS OF E ducation, S ocial Sciences, A rts or M anagement	An average of at least (90%) PLUS: - Either Pure Mathematics at (85%) or higher OR Applied Mathematics at (90%) or higher - English at (90%) or higher - PLUS 80% in all other school subjects	English

ESAM (SE390) SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS MAY STUDY ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ELIGIBLE UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE COURSES OR MAJORS. IF YOU CANNOT FIND YOUR PREFERRED COURSE LISTED HERE, PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC SERVICES (PUBLIC.SERVICES@MOHE.GOV.OM) AS THE COURSE WILL BE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AND HAS TO FALL UNDER ONE THE MAIN ESAM CATEGORIES:

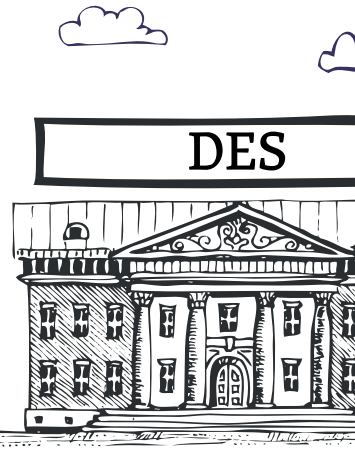
CATEGORY: EDUCATION E: English Language (Teacher to Non-Native Speakers), Early Childhood Education T: Teaching Science (Secondary School-Level), Primary School Education (Teaching)

CATEGORY: SOCIETY & CULTURE* A: Archeology C: Criminology E: Economics G: Geographical Information Systems L: Law, Languages/ (Applied Linguistics P: Psychology (ESAM does not cover Clinical Psychology & applicants can only submit offer letters from recommended universities in the United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand) S: Sociology, Special Needs Education *Or any other undergraduate course that would fall under the Humanities or Social Sciences and write to the department for public services if you are not sure about the eligibility of the course you would prefer to pursue.

CATEGORY: (CREATIVE) ARTS D: Design, Digital Media F: Fine Arts (e.g. Painting, Sculpture, Music) J: (Digital) Journalism* T: Television/Broadcasting

CATEGORY: MANAGEMENT & BUSINESS A: Actuarial Science, Accounting, Auditing, Aviation Management (Cannot Include Pilot Training) B: Banking, Business (Administration) E: Enterprise/Entrepreneurship, Emergency Administration & Planning F: Finance, Financial Risk Management, Financial Services I: Investment, Insurance, Islamic Banking L: Logistics and/or Supply Chain Management M: Management O: Operations Management, Organisational Leadership Studies P: Property Management, Port Management R: Real Estate Management S: Safety and/or Security Management, Shipping & Port Management and/or Supply Chain and/or Logistics Management T: Tourism or Transport Management.

THE DIRECT ENTRY SCHOLARSHIP (DES) AN EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

CODE & COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
<p style="text-align: center;">DE001 A DIRECT ENTRY TO AN UNDERGRADUATE (BA OR SIMILAR) DEGREE COURSE IN ANY SUBJECT AREA* AT ANY OF THE OVERSEAS HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEIS) THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP**</p> <p>*provided the course meets all terms and conditions as explained in this guide and the circular</p> <p>**The list of approved HEIs in view of the academic year 2021/22 was circulated by the DG of Scholarships in December 2020</p>	<p>IF YOU STUDIED THE GED OR AN EQUIVALENT QUALIFICATION, AND IN ORDER TO BE EARMARKED AS AN ELIGIBLE DES APPLICANT, YOU MUST:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> EXPECT TO ACHIEVE AN AVERAGE OF 90% OR 90% OR HIGHER IN ANY THREE SUBJECTS WHILE THE SUBJECT 'PHYSICAL EDUCATION' WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.* UPLOAD A CONDITIONAL LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE (LoA) BEFORE THE END OF THE HEAC REGISTRATION PERIOD THROUGH THE HEAC PORTAL. A conditional offer is issued by an Higher Education Institution (HEI) based on your predicted marks and you meeting their other criteria. If you are not able to timely upload this LoA, you must upload a document that explains why you have not been able to upload a LoA (i.e. proof that you are in the process of making an application). UPLOAD AN UNCONDITIONAL OFFER OF ADMISSION/LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE BY AUGUST 15, 2021 THROUGH THE HEAC PORTAL: THIS HAS TO CONCERN AN OFFER OF A PLACE OF STUDY ON AN ELIGIBLE UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE COURSE (=A DIRECT ENTRY AND NOT A FOUNDATION OR LANGUAGE COURSE!) AT ONE OF THE HEIs APPROVED FOR THIS PARTICULAR SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021/22. THE LIST OF APPROVED HEIs WAS CIRCULATED IN DEC 2020: https://heac.gov.om/media/doc/2022_21_DES.pdf. RANK DE001 AS YOUR FIRST OPTION AS PART OF YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IF YOU WANT TO BE EARMARKED AS AN ELIGIBLE APPLICANT IN VIEW OF THE DES SCHOLARSHIP ALLOCATION WHICH MAY TAKE PLACE EARLIER THAN THE GENERAL ALLOCATION TO ALIGN THE OUTCOMES WITH THE ACADEMIC CALENDARS IN SEVERAL OF THE STUDY DESTINATIONS. Students who decide to not rank DE001 as their first option, will not be notified until when all scholarships are competitively awarded. The MoHERI cannot be held accountable if this results in a deferral of your studies. MAKE SURE THE UNCONDITIONAL OFFER OF ADMISSION INCLUDES ALL SPECIFIC INFORMATION AS PUBLISHED IN THE DES CIRCULAR AND UPLOAD A PROOF OF ENROLLMENT BY THE END OF THE CHANGE OF PREFERENCE PERIOD: This only applies if the letter of acceptance was issued prior to you obtaining your final school grades and the HEI does not re-issue another offer as per their policy, you need to upload, through the HEAC portal, proof of enrollment attached to the initial offer or as a separate file. All files must be uploaded. All documents should be clear, readable and uploaded in PDF-format. The file size should be 512KB or less. 	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>THE POSITION OF THE UNIVERSITY IN THE QS – WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS – 2021 VERSION, FOLLOWED BY THE OVERALL AVERAGE (BASED ON THE COMPETITIVE SCORE CALCULATED BY THE HEAC)*</p> <p>*These tie-breakers will apply if the number of eligible DES applicants exceeds the number of available places.</p>

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

‘DIRECT ENTRY TO AN UNDERGRADUATE COURSE’ OR DIRECT ENTRY SCHOLARSHIP (DES)

- DES is for students who have already made a timely application to at least one of the approved Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) that have been approved for this scholarship and who are expected to have an unconditional offer of a place of study in an eligible undergraduate degree programme for an academic year 2021/22 DIRECT entry.
- Direct entry means you are deemed eligible by at least one of the approved HEIs to **directly enter to the first year of an undergraduate (Bachelor's) degree programme in the academic year 2021/22 (first or second intake/semester).**
- DES does NOT cover a pre-sessional language course, foundation programme, a diploma year, a bridging or bridge course, an international year 1, or any course not taught directly by the one of the approved HEIs. Students who submit a Letter of Acceptance or Offer of Admission that is NOT considered a direct entry to year 1 of an undergraduate degree course will be automatically disqualified as a competitive applicant for this particular type scholarship.
- In a number (but not all of the) of study destinations, GED-certificate and/or equivalent qualification holders are not always exempted by the concerned HEIs from having to pursue a pre-sessional language and/or foundation programme. Please note that external and internal scholarships schemes other than DES still cover pre-sessional language and/or foundation programmes, should this be deemed necessary.
- DES covers ANY undergraduate degree course, provided it concerns an undergraduate (=Bachelor's or equivalent) degree course, while the duration should be 'standard' which means you cannot choose e.g. an optional work placement or another major, in addition to the core major or course, in case this would result in an extension of the standard duration of your studies. NOT all undergraduate degree courses are available in all countries and/or are only available at graduate level in certain countries, while this scholarship only covers what is considered an undergraduate degree course by the relevant entities in the Sultanate. Please do your own research!
- In order to be earmarked as an eligible applicant, you must timely upload or submit a clear, complete and true scanned copy of ONE conditional Letter of Acceptance (LoA) or offer of admission by the end of the scholarship registration period in July, followed by ONE unconditional LoA through the HEAC portal by the end of the change of preference period in August. The university that issued the conditional offer of admission may be different from the university and in even a different country, that issued the unconditional offer of admission.
- **In order for your competitive DES application to be accepted to the next phase in the admissions process, and for the sake of transparency and fair competition, a screening committee consisting of local and overseas experts will critically, objectively and carefully review all uploaded documents and shortlist eligible candidates, while the committee reserves the right to disqualify candidates based on legitimate reasons, including discarding any offer issued by a HEI that has not been approved for the DES, or any application that does not meet any of the other terms and conditions and/or was NOT submitted within relevant deadlines.**
- The LoA should include the entry level, name of the major or course you intend to pursue, the name & original location of the HEI, the date on which the LoA was issued, the expected start and end date of your studies (e.g. start first term or semester in 2021 or second term or semester in 2022), as well as the university's signature and/or stamp.
- The LoA should confirm that the undergraduate degree programme is taught AT, and directly BY, one of the HEIs approved for DES for the academic year 2021/22. Studying at an in-country and/or overseas branch campus is NOT allowed.

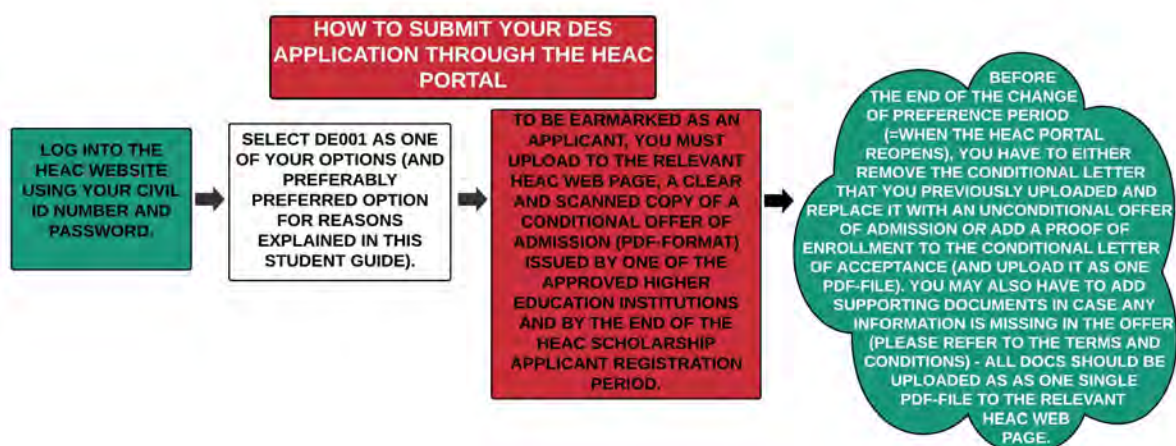
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

‘DIRECT ENTRY TO AN UNDERGRADUATE COURSE’ OR DIRECT ENTRY SCHOLARSHIP (DES)

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- In case the LoA does not include all the above-mentioned required details and/or was published prior to you receiving your final school grades, while the university does not issue another offer as per their policy, you will need to **TIMELY** upload the additional information (e.g. a letter prepared by the HEI's admissions office) that serves as a proof of enrollment and you should add this to the LoA by converting it to one PDF-file. If an application is considered incomplete, the DES screening committee reserves the right to exclude a student from the DES competitive application procedures.
- Applicants should **NOT** seek admission at an University for entry before August 2021. This means that the course should **NOT** start earlier than late August 2021 as scholarships are competitively awarded not earlier than August and students not meeting this requirement will no longer be eligible to competitively apply for this scholarship.
- Meeting the criteria may mean you met the admissions requirements set by at least one of the Higher Education Institutions approved for direct entry to one of their undergraduate degree courses, however, this does **NOT** automatically mean that you will be competitively awarded this particular scholarship as the number of eligible candidates may exceed the number of places, while the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (MoHERI) reserves the right to discard incomplete applications and/or any application that fails to meet all other conditions.
- If the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of places allocated to this scholarship, the DES scholarship screening committee will assess applicants based on the position of the HEI in the QS World University rankings 2021 version (primary tie breaker) and, if necessary, their competitive score based on their average (secondary tie breaker).
- The MoHERI will **NOT** and cannot accept incomplete or late applications.
- Students who are listed as ‘remark’ students by the HEAC and can prove they did not yet receive their final school marks, may submit a conditional LoA by the end of the change of preference period and will be given another deadline to upload their unconditional offer.
- Students who can upload proof that the university has pended their application (=waitlisted) and end up being declined by this university, may submit an unconditional offer from a university other than the university that waitlisted them shortly after the relevant deadlines, provided this other university is approved for DES and they have to submit the new unconditional offer by the relevant deadline announced in due course.
- DES recipients cannot transfer to another university at a later stage, unless it concerns an institution that is ranked higher in the QS World University Rankings 2021 league table than the one that made the initial offer and provided the student does not have to transfer to another country or major/area of study (as per the initial letter of acceptance) and a transfer cannot result in an extension (of the duration of studies) either.
- **New Zealand and Australia are no longer options in view of the academic year 2021/22 due to the temporary closure of their borders because of the pandemic, while students who made a competitive application to any of the approved Scottish universities may submit an offer of admission based on a year 1 entry.**
- **While the information in this guide, including the list of approved HEIs, has been selected with care and is considered to be true and correct at the date of publication, the content might be subject to changes without further notice and due to circumstances beyond the MoHERI's reasonable control. Students are advised to regularly check back often the relevant HEAC and MoHERI website pages for updates as the MoHERI reserves the right to make changes at any time should this be deemed necessary.**

DES: HOW TO UPLOAD YOUR SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS



- ALL DOCUMENTS REQUIRED FOR DES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED AS ONE CLEAR, READABLE DOCUMENT AND UPLOADED IN PDF-FORMAT, WHILE THE FILE SIZE SHOULD BE 512KB OR LESS.
- IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO TIMELY UPLOAD AT LEAST A CONDITIONAL LETTER OF ACCEPTANCE BY THE END OF THE SCHOLARSHIP REGISTRATION PERIOD, PLEASE UPLOAD PROOF THAT YOU ARE IN THE PROCESS OF MAKING AN APPLICATION TO ONE OF THE APPROVED UNIVERSITIES.
- IT IS ALLOWED TO UPLOAD AN UNCONDITIONAL OFFER ISSUED BY A UNIVERSITY OTHER THAN THE UNIVERSITY THAT ISSUED THE CONDITIONAL LETTER AND/OR THAT CONCERNS ANOTHER COURSE, AS LONG AS IT CONCERNS A DIRECT ENTRY INTO AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE COURSE
- IN ORDER FOR YOUR COMPETITIVE DES APPLICATION TO BE ACCEPTED TO THE NEXT PHASE IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS, AND FOR THE SAKE OF TRANSPARENCY AND FAIR COMPETITION, A SCREENING COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF LOCAL AND OVERSEAS EXPERTS WILL CRITICALLY AND CAREFULLY REVIEW ALL UPLOADED DOCUMENTS AND SHORTLIST ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES, WHILE THE COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESERVE THE RIGHT TO DISQUALIFY CANDIDATES BASED ON LEGITIMATE REASONS, INCLUDING DISCARDING ANY OFFER DOES NOT MEET ANY OF THE OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND/OR WAS NOT SUBMITTED WITHIN RELEVANT DEADLINES.
- MEETING THE CRITERIA DOES NOT GUARANTEE A SCHOLARSHIP AS THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES MAY EXCEED THE NUMBER OF PLACES.

INTERNAL STUDY GRANTS SPONSORED BY PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT OMAN (PDO)

CODE	COURSES	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PD005	Any major deemed eligible by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, except for MEDICINE & VETERINARY MEDICINE	An average of at least (65%)	Highest marks in: Pure or Applied Mathematics, English, Physics or Chemistry	1. Recipients can choose to study at any private university or college in the Sultanate. 2. Applicants must reside in one of the concession (or Imtiyaz) areas, and should have studied at a school in their area for a period of not less than 3 years. 3. Students with disabilities are unfortunately not eligible to competitively apply for this PDO study grant.

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Natural & Physical Sciences

Do you want to study Chemistry, Physics, Biology, or Mathematics? Are you interested in developing your analytical thinking and problem-solving skills? Are you interested in learning about Oman's geology or water resources and broader areas affecting the environment? Perhaps Earth Sciences and/or Environmental Sciences is the right choice. If you are interested in the weather system, then consider studying Meteorology. For those who aim for the sky, astronomy and astrophysics show the way forward. Are you more interested in Mathematics and Computer Science? You could opt for Statistics and if you are someone who seeks thrill in solving crimes, you could become a Forensic Scientist or Forensic Science Technician. You could also explore other areas such as Biotechnology specialisations (e.g. Maritime, Agricultural, and Environmental) under this major.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD)

- In case a SSSD scholarship comprises more than one undergraduate course or major, please consider that some undergraduate degrees may have further requirements as set by the approved overseas higher education institutions (HEIs) and the Oman Ministry of Higher Education, Research & Innovation (MoHERI) cannot guarantee that recipients are able to secure an admission to the selected course and/or HEI of their highest personal preference.
- The MoHERI reserves the right to select a suitable institution for each individual SSSD scholarship recipient.
- All prospective external scholarship applicants are advised to timely take a suitable ACADEMIC IELTS TEST (English language test) to avoid a future deferral (delay) of admission. You can find more information about which type of test would suit you best in this feature: https://heac.gov.om/media/doc/FAQS_ELTS_EN.pdf.
- Please bear in mind though that some undergraduate courses are offered by more than one HEI (even in one particular destination) and the exact name of the course and/or undergraduate degree title might differ from one HEI to another.
- Please read the general terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
SE560	Environmental Sciences, Earth Sciences, Marine Science or Sustainability Studies in AUSTRALIA	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 of Chemistry, Physics, Pure Mathematics, Biology, Geography or Environmental Science (85%) - English (80%) 	2 of Chemistry, Physics, Pure Mathematics, Biology, Geography or Environmental Science
SE561	Earth Science(s), Geology or Geosciences (Geophysics or Geochemistry), Sustainable Development, Ecology, Conservation and Environment or Marine Environmental Science in THE UNITED KINGDOM		
SE563	Earth Science(s), Geology, Geosciences (Geophysics), Environmental Sciences, Biology or Chemistry in THE USA		
SE575	Earth Sciences, Applied Geology, Geology or Environmental Sciences in NEW ZEALAND		
SE568	Environmental Science & Sustainable Technology in IRELAND	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Maths, Physics and Chemistry at (85%) or higher - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by Physics
SE610	Astronomy, Astrophysics or Physics in the UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Maths (90%) - Physics (90%) - English (80%) 	Physics, followed by Pure Maths

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CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
SE762	Biology, Biological Sciences, Chemistry or Forensic Science in THE UNITED KINGDOM <i>*The recipient will require prior approval from Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation in view of the selection of the course of preference.</i>	An average of at least (85%) plus - 2 of Pure Maths, Biology and Chemistry (90%) - English (80%)	1 from Pure Maths, Biology or Chemistry
SE590	Statistics or Business Statistics in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus - Pure Mathematics (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Mathematics
SE753	Biology, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Environmental Science, Sustainability & Society, Marine Biology, Ocean Sciences or Physics and Atmospheric Sciences in CANADA <i>- These majors are taught in English. The MoHERI cannot guarantee that a candidate will be admitted to the programme and/or higher education institution of preference.</i> <i>- PLEASE NOTE: Scholarship applicants will require a minimum IELTS overall score of 5.0 (or an equivalent score if it concerns another English language qualification).</i> <i>The CAO in Washington reserves the right to select a suitable HEI on behalf of the scholarship recipients.</i>	An average of at least (85%) plus - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 2 of Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Geography and Environmental Science (85%) - English (80%)	1 from Biology, Physics, Chemistry, Geography or Environmental Science
SE592	Majors in the areas of Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Geology, Earth Sciences or Geosciences in FRANCE <i>These programmes are taught in French. Scholarship recipients will be able to indicate which undergraduate degree programme they would want to pursue during the scholarship registration period. Recipients start with a French language and foundation course. Some of the undergraduate degree courses may have further requirements as set by the higher education institution(s).</i>	An average of at least (85%) - 1 of Pure Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry or Biology (90%) - 1 of English, Arabic or French (85%)	1 of Pure Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry or Biology

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GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) STUDY GRANTS

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SE900	Science	An average of at least (85%) plus at least (85%) in English Language, Physics and Pure Mathematics	- Pure Mathematics - Physics	(Partial Study Grant) Study Destination: United Arab Emirates HEI: United Arab Emirates University - Art, Physical Education and Music are not considered. - Applicants will require an IELTS score of 5.5

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

IMPORTANT NOTES:

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BS020	Statistics	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: English
BS208	Applied Geosciences	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths AND English (70%) - Chemistry AND Physics (60%)	German University of Technology in Oman Medium of Instruction: English
BS090	Statistics	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Modern College of Business and Science Medium of Instruction: English

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BS224	Applied Human Nutrition and Dietetics	An average of at least (65%) plus - English, Biology, Chemistry and Physics at grade (60%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction: English
BS085	Industrial chemistry	An average of at least (65%) plus - Pure Maths, English plus 1 from Chemistry or Physics at grade (70%)	

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ150	College of Science	An average of at least (75%) plus -2 from Chemistry, Physics and Biology at grade (65%) - Pure Mathematics and English at grade (65%)	-

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US003	Applied Biotechnology	An average of at least (60%) plus a pass in Pure Mathematics, Biology and 1 from Chemistry or Physics - English (65%)	Highest marks in: - Biology - Chemistry or Physics - Pure Mathematics - English	University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Sur
US004	Applied Sciences	An average of at least (60%) and a pass in Pure Mathematics, English, Chemistry, Biology or Health Sciences and Physics	Highest marks in: - Biology or Health Sciences - Chemistry - English - Physics	University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat

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Agriculture, Environmental And Related Studies

Agriculture is the oldest known occupation, which still plays an important role in enhancing countries' economy. A main topic of study and development at schools, institutes and universities, it has now expanded to include technology and engineering opening up fields of Agricultural Engineering, Water Technologies, and Crop and Soil Sciences to those wishing to study more. Animals and marine life form a major part of the agricultural ecosystem too and for those interested in exploring more can choose Animal Science, Fisheries Development and Aquaculture, among other areas. Then there are courses such as Food and Agriculture, and Human Nutrition also available as specialisations under this umbrella.

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- Please read the general terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER
SE774	<p>Water Technology (also available under the names Water (Resource) Management, Water Economics, Water (and Infrastructural) Management, Hydrology) in GERMANY</p> <p>This programme is taught in German.</p> <p>- Please note that applicants must hold the Oman GED qualification issued by a school that falls directly under the Oman MoE or a qualification issued by a school offering an American or British curriculum.</p>	<p>An average of at least (80%) plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - Physics and Chemistry (85%) - 1 of English, Arabic or German (80%) 	Pure Mathematics, 1 of Physics or Chemistry

GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) GRANTS

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SE905	Food and Agriculture	An average of at least (85%) plus a grade of (85%) in English, Biology and Chemistry	Biology Chemistry	<p>(Partial Study Grant)</p> <p>Study Destination: United Arab Emirates</p> <p>HEI: United Arab Emirates University</p> <p>- Art, Physical Education and Music are not considered.</p> <p>- Applicants will require an IELTS score of 5.5</p>

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BS200	Environmental Management and Practice	An overall average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - 1 from Chemistry or Physics (60%) - English (55%)	Global College of Engineering and Technology Medium of Instruction: English

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ001	College of Agricultural and Marine Sciences	An overall average of at least (75%) - 2 from Chemistry, Physics or Biology at grade (65%) - Pure Mathematics and English at grade (65%)	-

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SAHAM VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER
VC005	Agricultural training (Male & Female applicants) Plant Production	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure or Applied Maths, English AND 1 from Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Environmental Science.	-

AL-KHABOURAH VOCATIONAL COLLEGE FOR MARINE SCIENCES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
MS004	Fish Training (male & female applicants) (Aquaculture)	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure or Applied Maths, English AND 1 from Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Environmental Science	-
MS005	Fish Training (males & female applicants) (Fish Quality Control)		
MS006	Maritime Training (male applicants) Navigation & Fishing Technology (Navigation of Fishing Vessels)	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure or Applied Maths, English AND 1 from Physics, Chemistry, Biology or Environmental Science	Eligible students must take and pass a medical test. If you fail this test, you must choose another area of specialisation.
MS007	Maritime Training (male applicants) (Naval Engineering, Marine Engines Mechanics)	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure Maths, English and Physics	

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الهندسة Engineering

A good Engineer is the one who can apply Science, Mathematics, and other skills in order to find practical and useful solutions, to develop, improve and maintain infrastructure, products and services that the society needs. If you have these skills, perhaps you would like to join one of the many Engineering programmes. However, it is very important that you explore all Engineering programmes in terms of content and structure and understand the differences and outcomes, as well as the needs of the ever-changing economy, before you start ranking your options in order of personal preference.

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Engineering

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SE489	Renewable Energy Engineering, Mining Engineering, Materials Science/Materials Engineering or Metallurgical Engineering or Metallurgy in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Maths (85%) - Chemistry (85%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by Chemistry
SE485	Energy Engineering or Petroleum Engineering in THE USA		
SE487	Renewable / Sustainable Energy Engineering or Photovoltaics & Solar Energy Engineering in AUSTRALIA		
SE494	Materials Science & Engineering in THE USA	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Chemistry or Physics (85%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by Chemistry or Physics
SE496	Mining Engineering, Materials Science/ Materials Engineering or Metallurgical Engineering in AUSTRALIA		
SE500	Architectural Engineering, Civil Engineering, Construction Engineering, Structural Engineering, Mechatronics, Environmental Engineering, Surveying Engineering in AUSTRALIA	An average of at least 85% plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by Physics

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CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
SE501	Architectural Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Industrial Engineering or Environmental Engineering in THE USA		Pure Maths, followed by Physics
SE502	Architectural Engineering, Civil Engineering, Construction Engineering, Communication Systems Engineering, Structural Engineering, Electrical and/or Electronic(s) Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Mechatronics, Industrial Engineering or Environmental Engineering or Automotive Engineering / Automation and Control in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Maths, followed by Physics or Engineering
SE557	Surveying Engineering or Quantity Engineering in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics, Engineering, Biology, Chemistry or Geography (80%) - English (80%)	Pure Maths, followed by 1 of Physics, Biology, Chemistry or Geography
SE508	Embedded Systems Engineering, Energy & Raw Materials, Energy (and Environment) Technology, Energy (and Building) Technology, Industrial Engineering, Marine Engineering, Material Sciences, Renewable Energy, Electrical Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Mechatronics, Medical Engineering or Transport Engineering in GERMANY. These programmes are taught in German. Please note that applicants must hold the Omani GED qualification issued by a schools that falls directly under the Oman MoE or a qualification issued by a school offering an American or British curriculum.	An average of at least (80%) plus: - Pure Mathematics, Chemistry (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - 1 of English, Arabic or German (80%)	Pure Mathematics, followed by 1 of Physics, Engineering or Chemistry
SE515	Civil Engineering, Industrial Engineering & Management or Logistics Engineering in THE NETHERLANDS This programme is taught in English.. Applicant should have graduated from a school in the Sultanate of Oman.	An average of at least (80%) plus: - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Mathematics, followed by 1 of Physics, Engineering

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SE504	Mechatronics, Electrical or Electronic Engineering, Civil Engineering or Building Services Engineering in IRELAND	An average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Math, followed by Physics
SE756	Majors in Engineering in CANADA Civil Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Mineral Resource Engineering, Materials Science & Engineering, Chemical & Petroleum Engineering, Energy Engineering <i>Some of these courses may have further requirements as set by the higher education institution(s). The MoHERI cannot guarantee that a candidate will be admitted to the programme and/or university of preference. Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS score of 5.0.</i>	An average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - Physics (85%) - Chemistry (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Mathematics, followed by 1 of Physics, Engineering or Chemistry
SE524	Majors in the areas of Electronics, Electrical Engineering & Industrial Computing in FRANCE <i>These programmes are taught in French</i> <i>Some of these courses may have further requirements as set by the higher education institution(s).</i> <i>The MoHERI cannot guarantee that a candidate will be admitted to the programme and/or university of preference.</i>	An average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - 1 of English, Arabic or French (85%)	Pure Mathematics, followed by 1 of Physics, Engineering
SE529	Telecommunications Engineering, Electrical & Computer Systems Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical & Electronic Engineering, Mechatronics Engineering, Robotics and Mechatronics Engineering or Mechanical Engineering in MALAYSIA <i>These programmes are taught in English. Applicants should have graduated from a school in Oman.</i>	An average of at least (80%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (85%) - English (80%)	

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SE904	Engineering	An average of at least (95%) and English, Physics, Pure Mathematics and Chemistry at grade (95%)	- Pure Mathematics - Physics	(Partial Study Grant) Study Destination: United Arab Emirates HEI: United Arab Emirates University - Art, Physical Education and Music are not considered. - Applicants will require an IELTS score of 5.5

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BS061	Marine Engineering or Transformational Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths or Applied Maths, Chemistry and Physics at grade (60%) - English (55%)	International Maritime College Oman Medium of Instruction : English
BS209	Process Engineering, Mechanical Engineering or Environmental Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths (65%) - English (70%) - Chemistry and Physics (60%)	German University of Technology in Oman Medium of Instruction: English
BS053	Process Operations and Maintenance Engineering or Chemical Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (65%) - 1 from Chemistry or Physics (65%) - English (55%)	National University of Science & Technology Medium of Instruction: English

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BS051	Civil Engineering (Structural Engineering, Transportation Engineering, Environmental Engineering, Water Resources Engineering and Construction Engineering), Quantity Surveying & Cost Management, Electronics & Communications Engineering (Telecommunications Engineering and Biomedical Engineering), Computer Engineering (Network Engineering and Software Development), Electrical Power Engineering (Energy Systems Engineering, Power System Engineering, Instrumentation & Control Engineering) or Mechanical Engineering (Industrial Automation & Control and Energy Systems Engineering)	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths PLUS 1 from Chemistry or Physics at grade (65%) - English (55%)	National University of Science & Technology Medium of Instruction: English
BS266	Mechanical Engineering and Vehicle Technology, Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering, Automation and Robotics Engineering or Instrumentation and Control Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths and Physics (60%) - English (55%)	Global College of Engineering & Technology Medium of Instruction: English
BS246	Fire Safety Engineering or Mechanical Engineering (Well Engineering)	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths PLUS 1 from Chemistry or Physics (65%) - English (55%)	International College of Engineering & Management Medium of Instruction: English
BS056	Mechanical Engineering (Automotive)	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths, Physics AND Chemistry at grade (60%) - English (55%)	National College of Automotive Technology Medium of Instruction: English

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BS026	Electrical & Computer Engineering , Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Process Metallurgy and Materials Engineering or Mechanical & Electromechanical Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths PLUS 1 from Physics or Chemistry at grade (60%) - English (55%)	Sohar University Medium of Instruction: English
BS034	Mechanical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering or Computer and Communications Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths, Chemistry AND Physics at grade (60%) - English (55%)	Dhofar University Medium of Instruction: English
BS087	Bachelor of Technology in Electrical Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - A pass in Physics or Chemistry -Pure Maths (60%) -English (55%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction: English
BS217	Civil Engineering, Environmental Engineering or Electronics and Communications Engineering	An average of at least (65%) -1 from Physics, Chemistry or Pure Maths (60%) - English (55%)	
BS226	Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Information and Communication Engineering or Computer Engineering		Al-Buraimi University Medium of Instruction: English

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BS291	Chemical Engineering	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths, Chemistry AND English at grade (65%)	Muscat University Medium of Instruction: English
BS013	Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering or Environmental Engineering	An average of at least (65%) -Pure Maths and Physics at grade (60%) - English (55%)	Nizwa University
BS014	Chemical & Petrochemical Engineering	An average of at least (65%) -Pure Maths, Chemistry AND Physics at grade (60%) -English (55%)	
BS042	Electronics and Telecommunication	An average of at least (65%) -2 from Pure Maths, Chemistry, Physics and Biology at grade (65%) -English (55%)	
BS043	Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering or Electronic and Instrumentation	An average of at least (65%) -Pure Maths and Physics at grade (65%) -English (55%)	Middle East College
BS046	Computer Hardware and Networking or Computer Engineering with Pathway in Information Security	An average of at least (65%) -Pure or Applied Maths (60%) -English (55%)	
DS001	Diploma in Geomatics and Surveying Engineering	An average of at least (65%) -Pure or Applied Maths (60%) -English (60%)	Institute of Topographical Sciences (Diploma)

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SQ200	College of Engineering	An average of least (75%) and applicants must have studied Pure Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics & English and achieved at least (65%) in all these essential subjects	-

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US001	Engineering	An average of at least 60% and a pass in Pure Maths, Physics, Chemistry or Mechanical Engineering and English	The highest marks in Pure Maths and Physics	HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat, Sohar, Nizwa, Mussana, Shinas, Ibri, Ibra, Salalah.
US006	Mechanical Engineering	An average of at least (70%) PLUS - Mathematics (65%) - Physics (65%) - Mechanical Engineering (70%) - Engineering Drawing (70%)	The highest marks in Pure Maths and Physics	- This programme is for students from the Royal Guard of Oman Technical College - Applicants require an IELTS overall score of 5.0 - HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat

The following content has been provided by MTC

MTC Admission Requirements :

To enter the Military Technological College or MTC, students must:

1. Complete the 2020/2021 General Education Diploma or an equivalent qualification.
2. Pass the medical examinations and an interview. If the student has a valid certificate of the Academic IELTS exam with a minimum score of 5.0 (valid for a period not less than 6 months from the beginning of the academic year 2021/2022), he is allowed to join the Engineering programme once he passes the entry tests for the foundation programme modules (Basic and Pure Mathematics, Physics and Computing) with a minimum score of 60% each. Modules descriptors are available in the college website.
3. The Military Training had been adopted to prepare the students for the academic programme which starts by four continuous weeks of training before the foundation programme and then the military training will consist of lectures and sports twice a week (one hour for each lecture) as well as advanced military training programmes.
4. Students are allowed to leave the college campus in the middle of each week based on a defined mechanism.
5. The student accepts after fulfilling the programme's requirements, including the competitive average and seats available in each programme.
6. Complete the requirements of General Studies Departments (within 2 years at maximum), plus an average score 5.0 in the Academic IELTS as a minimum requirement.
7. After completion of the foundation programme and passing the modules (Basic and Pure Mathematics, Physics and Computing), students will be placed in their main areas of specialisation according to their choice, average and service requirements (as a prior criterion).
8. MTC will award all its graduates with an Advanced Diploma or a Bachelor's degree (BEng) that is internationally recognised by the University of Portsmouth in the United Kingdom and upon meeting all the academic and military requirements. This applies to all MTC services without any exemption.
9. After completion of the advanced diploma, students will be committed to a service contract (10 years service contract in Ministry of Defense). For the other services and units, the periods of service contracts vary, as detailed in the MTC website (www.mtc.edu.om).
10. Students are not allowed to withdraw from the college after the start of the academic year, unless this withdrawal is due to mitigating circumstances, such as an illness or other personal issues supported by the MTC administration.
11. In view of the Oman Air programme, they must succeed in all parts of the (EASA) exams and standards with not less than (75%) which is considered as the basic criterion for employment of Oman Air students.
12. The academic year 2021/22 entry will be restricted to male students only.
13. Students are not allowed to apply for any other military/ civilian institution once they enrolled at MTC.
14. The college reserves the right to amend its laws and regulations as required by its policy.

MILITARY TECHNOLOGICAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSE		STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (provided and edited by MTC)
MT001	Office of COSSAF	Systems Engineering	A pass in all school subjects and a grade of at least (55%) in English, Pure Maths and Physics	English, Pure Mathematics	*Students will receive the following monthly allowances: 1. Students enrolled in the foundation programme receive a monthly allowance of (= / 80 R.O). 2. Students enrolled in the Engineering programme to the advanced diploma receive an allowance of (= / 125 R.O). 3. Students enrolled in the Engineering programme for the Final year (BEng) will receive a monthly allowance of (= / 250 R.O). during their studies. •3 meals daily, accommodation, health care, sport clothing, WiFi , uniforms with laundry service will be provided free-of-charge for all students. •MTC, in coordination with the benefic aries, ensures that its graduates have career opportunities after graduation in accordance with the accepted programme and regulations. •MOD Advanced diploma graduates will be recruited at MOD and SAF, and awarded a sergeant rank for Advanced Diploma graduates and staff sergeant for BEng graduates. •All students are insured against risks within the college campus. •Each student will be provided with a laptop with Internet access when they enroll in the college. •For sub-specialisations and medical requirements, please visit www.mtc.edu.om
		Civil Engineering and Quantity Surveying			
MT002	Royal Army of Oman	Systems Engineering			
		Civil Engineering and Quantity Surveying			
MT003	Royal Air Force of Oman	Aeronautical Engineering			
		Systems Engineering			
		Civil Engineering and Quantity Surveying			
MT004	Royal Navy of Oman	Marine Engineering			
		Civil Engineering and Quantity Surveying			
MT005	MODES	Civil Engineering and Quantity Surveying			
		Systems Engineering			
MT009	OMAN AIR	Aeronautical Engineering	An overall average of at least (65%) and a grade of (65%) English, Pure Mathematics and Physics		

SEEB VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC001	Engineering Courses for male applicants: Automotive Technology, Electricity, Airconditioning & Refrigeration, Wood Technology, Construction & Building, Mechanic, Welding & Metal Fabrication Courses for male & female applicants: Electronics, Design & Decoration, Draftsmanship	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: - Pure Mathematics - English - Physics	-

SAHAM VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC003	Engineering Courses for male applicants: Automotive Technology, Electricity, Airconditioning & Refrigeration, Wood Technology, Construction & Building, Mechanic, Welding & Metal Fabrication Courses for male & female applicants: Electronics, Design & Decoration, Draftsmanship	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: - Pure Mathematics - English - Physics	-

SUR VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC006	Engineering Courses for male applicants: Automotive Technology, Electricity, Airconditioning & Refrigeration, Wood Technology, Construction & Building, Mechanic, Welding & Metal Fabrication Courses for male & female applicants: Electronics, Design & Decoration, Draftsmanship	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: - Pure Mathematics - English - Physics	Admission is only for students from North & South Al-Sharqiya Governorates

IBRI VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC008	Engineering Courses for male applicants: Automotive Technology, Electricity, Airconditioning & Refrigeration, Wood Technology, Construction & Building, Mechanic, Welding & Metal Fabrication Courses for male & female applicants: Electronics, Design & Decoration, Draftsmanship	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure Maths, English and Physics	-

SHINAS VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC010	Engineering Courses for male applicants: Electricity, Airconditioning & Refrigeration, Welding & Metal Fabrication Courses for male & female applicants: Electronics, Mechatronics	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure Maths, English and Physics	-

BURAIMI VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC012	Engineering Courses for male & female applicants: Automotive Technology, Electricity, Airconditioning & Refrigeration, Mechanic, Welding & Metal Fabrication (Males & Females) Electronics, Draftsmanship	A pass in the following General Education Diploma (GED) subjects: Pure Maths, English and Physics	-

SALALAH VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC015	Engineering (Male applicants) Electronics (Mals & Female applicants)	A pass in the following GED subjects: Pure Maths, English and Physics	Admission is only for students from Dhofar Governorate

العمارة والإنشاء

Architecture and Construction

Do you know that the built environment we live in is designed by Architects? On an international level, Architecture has officially been recognised as STEM subject, even though it allows one to combine Geometry and Arts. Most universities would require applicants to provide an arts portfolio, a record of your creative potential, to demonstrate your artistic ability and creativity rather than your technical ability. An Architect may work both indoors (interior Architect or Designer) and outdoors (Architecture or Landscape Architect)

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION

- In case a SSSD scholarship comprises more than one undergraduate course or major, please consider that some undergraduate degrees may have further requirements as set by the approved overseas higher education institutions (HEIs) and the Oman Ministry of Higher Education, Research & Innovation (MoHERI) cannot guarantee that recipients are able to secure an admission to the selected course and/or HEI of their highest personal preference.
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- Please bear in mind though that some undergraduate courses are offered by more than one HEI (even in one particular destination) and the exact name of the course and/or undergraduate degree title might differ from one HEI to another.
- Please read the general terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE540	Landscape Architecture or Urban planning in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least 85% plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Physics (85%) - 1 of Arts, Graphic Design, Engineering drawing, IT, History, Arabic or Islamic Studies(85%) - English (80%) Higher Education Institutions may ask for an Art Portfolio as an additional requirement to demonstrate your artistic ability.	Pure Maths or Physics, followed by 1 of Arts, Graphic Design, Engineering drawing, IT, History, Arabic language or Islamic Studies
SE509	Marine Technology with Naval Architecture or Marine Technology in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - Physics (85%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by Physics

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INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

IMPORTANT NOTES:

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2. The internal scholarship recipients will have to complete the foundation course within one year. In case a scholarship recipient fails to meet the required English language requirements within one year, the Ministry of Higher education, Research and Innovation reserves the right to suspend (=put on hold) the scholarship for a period of maximum one year during which the student will have to improve their English language skills at their own expense in order to meet the academic entry requirements set by the institution or obtain an offer of admission (based on a direct entry to an undergraduate degree course) from any other private Higher Education Institution in Oman. If the student fails to meet the entry requirements within the given period, the MoHERI reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS138	Interior Design	An average of at least (65%) plus: - English (55%)	Scientific college of Design Medium of Instruction : English
BS140	Architecture	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths and Physics at grade (60%) - English (55%)	
BS232	Interior Architecture or Architectural Engineering	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths (60%) - 1 from Physics or Chemistry (60%) - English (55%)	Al Buraimi University Medium of Instruction : English
BS207	Urban Planning and Architectural Design	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths (60%) or Applied Math (65%) - English (70%)	German University of Technology in Oman Medium of Instruction : English
BS220	Construction Project Management	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths (60%) - 1 from Physics or Chemistry (60%) - English (55%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction : English
BS088	Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English Grade (55%)	
BS112	Interior Design	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (60%)	Al Zahra College for Women Medium of Instruction : English

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INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS248	Facilities management	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	International College of Engineering & Management Medium of Instruction : English
BS019	Urban and Regional planning		Global College of Engineering & Technology Medium of Instruction : English
BS037	Architectural Engineering or Interior Architecture		Dhofar University Medium of Instruction : English
BS045	Quantity surveying and Construction Management	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths and Physics at (65%) - English (55%)	Middle East College Medium of Instruction : English
BS015	Interior Design and Decoration	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : English
BS225	Architecture		
BS176	Interior Design	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Oman College of Management and Technology Medium of Instruction : English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODES		COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Students from Social Welfare households	Students from Low Income households	Diploma programmes in the subject area of Architecture & Construction based on the availability of diploma programmes in this area offered by private educational institutions and the course admission requirements.	An overall average of at least (60%) - Pure or Applied Maths, Physics and English at grade (55%)	HEIs: Private Educational Institutions - Students are allowed to select the educational institution of interest based on the area of specialisation. - Students are NOT allowed to transfer to another educational institution after the completion of the registration procedures.
SF001	SP001			

تكنولوجيا المعلومات

Information Technology

Microsoft, Apple, and Facebook have led the Information Technology (IT) revolution that has taken hold of our lives as we know it now. Today, IT specialists are in even more in demand and are equipped to apply their computing skills to different fields of life.

If you are interested in Information (and Communication) Technology and want to learn more about the application of IT in organisations or about software design, hardware and communications, you can opt for majors or specialisations that fall under a Computer Science, Computing degree or ICT. Do keep in mind that the IT job market can be quite saturated due to surplus human resource available for the sector, so make sure you research and weigh in on your decisions before making your choice.

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CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER
SE620	Computer Science, Information Technology, Data Analytics, Data Science, Informatics (and Informatics preferably with a specialization in either Cyber Security or Data Analytics) in THE USA		
SE621	Computer Science, Cyber Security, Computer Networks, Computer Science with Artificial Intelligence, Computer & Networking Technology, Computer Science with Software Engineering or Forensic Computing or Web Design Development in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of IT, Engineering, Physics, Chemistry or Biology (80%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by 1 of IT, Engineering, Physics, Biology or Chemistry
SE623	Software Development, Computing in Systems & Networking, Systems & Networking, Multimedia Applications Development or Multimedia Programming (Interactive Digital Media) in IRELAND		
SE625	Multimedia Technology or Information Technology (IT with a specialisation in either Mobile Technology, Network Computing or Information Systems Security) in MALAYSIA A minimum IELTS Academic test score of 6.0 with a minimum band score of 5.5 in each of the four components must be met by students wishing to study a foundation year at the University of Nottingham – Malaysia Campus. A minimum IELTS Academic test score of 6.5 with a minimum band score of 6.0 in each of the four components must be met to progress to the undergraduate degree course. These programmes are taught in English	An average of at least (80%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of IT, Engineering, Physics, Chemistry or Biology (80%) - English (80%) 	Pure Maths, followed by 1 of IT, Engineering, Physics, Biology or Chemistry

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CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER
SE755	Computer Science in CANADA These courses are taught in English These courses are taught in English *The CAO in Washington reserves the right to select the university on behalf of the student. Some of these courses may have further requirements as set by the higher education institution(s). The preferred programme will be subject to approval by the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (MoHERI). The MoHERI cannot guarantee that a candidate will be admitted to the programme and/or University of preference. Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS score of 5.0.	An average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of IT, Engineering, Physics, Chemistry or Biology* (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Maths, followed by 1 of IT,
SE820	Majors in the area of Computer Science in FRANCE This programme is taught in French -Scholarship recipients will be able to indicate which undergraduate degree programme. Recipients start with a French language and foundation course. Some of the undergraduate degree courses may have further requirements as set by the higher education institution(s)	An average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - 1 of IT, Engineering, Physics, Chemistry or Biology (85%) - English, Arabic or French (85%)	

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CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS237	Information Technology, Computing and Business Administration, Information Technology and Computing or Networking and Information Security	An overall average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Arab Open University Medium of Instruction: English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS148	Computer Science (Computer Systems and Networking), Computer Science (Software Engineering, Computing: Software Development, Computing: Technical Support, Management of Information Systems)	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Muscat College Medium of Instruction: English
BS076	Software Engineering, Information systems or Computer Science		AL Buraimi University College Medium of Instruction : English
BS094	Information Systems, Information Security or Computer Science		Modern College of Business and Science Medium of Instruction: English
BS106	Software Engineering or Computer Science	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (60%)	Al Zahra College for Women Medium of Instruction: English
BS206	Computer Science	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths (65%) - English (70%)	German University of Technology in Oman Medium of Instruction: English
BS210	Cyber Security		
BS179	Computer Science	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Oman College of Management and Technology Medium of Instruction : English
BS178	Management of Information Systems		
BS027	Computer science and Multimedia, Computer science and Web Engineering, Networking & Database, Business Information Technology or Management Information Systems	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Sohar University Medium of Instruction: English
BS268	Software Engineering, Multimedia Technology or Business Computing		Global College of Engineering & Technology Medium of Instruction: English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS287	Web Design & Information Security, Computer Science or Information Systems	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: English
BS044	Software Technology, Database Management, Computer Science or Computing and Information Systems		Middle East College Medium of Instruction: English
BS187	Computer and Internet Application(s), Networking, Computing (Oil and Gas Pathway), Computing (Software Engineering), Computing (Banking Information Systems Pathway)		Majan University College Medium of Instruction: English
BS257	Computing Science, Mobile Computing, Information Systems, Computer Science (Artificial Intelligence), Computer Science (Data Analytics), Management of Information Systems		Gulf College Medium of Instruction: English
BS032	Management of Information Systems	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths, Chemistry and Physics at grade (60%) - English (55%)	
BS035	Computer Science		Dhofar University Medium of Instruction: English
BS089	Internet & Information Technology or Cybersecurity	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure Maths and English at grade (65%)	A'Shirqiyah University Medium of Instruction: English
BS084	Management of Information Systems	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

CODE			COURSES	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Students from Social Welfare households	Students from Low Income Households (= income > 600 OMR per household)	All Students, regardless of their financial circumstances	Diploma programmes in the subject area of Information Technology based on the availability of diploma programmes in this area offered by private educational institutions and their course admission requirements.	An overall average of (60%) - Pure or Applied Maths and English at grade (55%)	HEIs: Private Educational Institutions - Students are allowed to select the educational institution of interest based on the area of specialisation. - Students are NOT allowed to transfer to another educational institution after the completion of the registration procedures.
SF002	SP002	DS002			

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

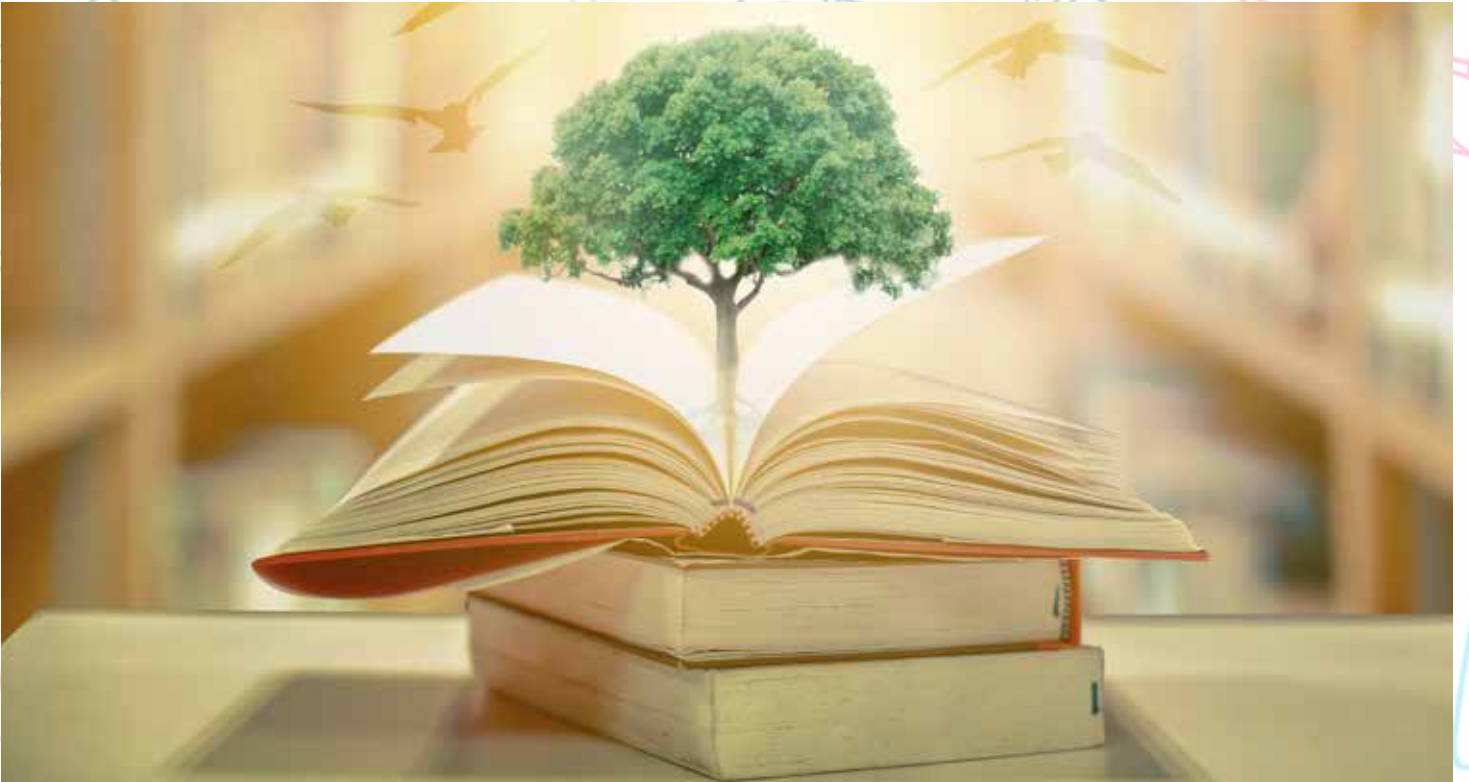
CODE	COURSE	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US002	Information Technology	An overall average of at least (60%) and a pass in Pure mathematics and English	The highest marks in - Pure Maths - English	HEIs: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat, Sohar, Nizwa, Mussana, Shinas Sur, Ibri, Ibra or Salalah

التربية Education

One of the noblest fields to be in, the role of an educator is one that is respected, honoured and celebrated across the world, apart from being a vital sector to any nation's progress.

If you are someone who can selflessly work to mould and train young minds to become future citizens of this country and world, then specialising in education may be the perfect choice for you. According to experts from the Ministry of Education, skilled teachers are integral to creating a society that aligns with the Sultanate's vision of making the country a technologically advanced nation. There are plenty of options for you, if you want to become a teacher in a specific area, especially in the Sultanate's education landscape. Please note that terms and conditions apply to a number of undergraduate scholarships available in this section.

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PROGRAMMES FOR PROSPECTIVE SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

These scholarships are for students who have an aptitude for a career path in Secondary School teaching at schools that fall under the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Education (MoE), Sultanate of Oman. The name of the undergraduate course may vary per higher education institution.

As an ED scholarship applicant, you must ensure that you:

- realise you will not be allowed to transfer to another course or study destination.
- will have to pass an interview.
- have to prove they are medically fit (to study abroad).
- have to submit a student or school certificate of good conduct.
- realise that you will have to sign an agreement with the Oman MoE confirming their commitment for a career path in secondary school teaching in the Sultanate of Oman and provided they meet the eligibility requirements for the job position(s) as set by the Oman MoE (the Ministry that oversees the post basic education sector in the Sultanate).

CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
ED006	Mathematics for Secondary School Teaching in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - English (90%)	Pure Maths
ED011	Mathematics for Secondary School Teaching in AUSTRALIA Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - English (85%)	
ED017	Mathematics for Secondary School Teaching in NEW ZEALAND Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5		
ED007	Physics for Secondary School Teaching in the UNITED KINGDOM	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (80%) - Physics (85%) - English (90%)	Physics, followed by Pure Maths
ED012	Physics for Secondary School Teaching in AUSTRALIA Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (80%) - Physics (85%) - English (85%)	
ED008	Chemistry for Secondary School Teaching in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (75%) - Chemistry (85%) - Biology (85%) - English (90%)	Chemistry, followed by Pure Maths

PROGRAMMES FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHERS

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
ED019	Chemistry for Secondary School Teaching in NEW ZEALAND Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5		Chemistry, followed by Pure Maths
ED013	Chemistry for Secondary School Teaching in AUSTRALIA Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5		
ED020	Biology for Secondary School Teaching in NEW ZEALAND Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (75%) - Chemistry (85%) - Biology (85%) - English (85%)	Biology, followed by Pure Maths
ED014	Biology for Secondary School Teaching in AUSTRALIA Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.5		
ED009	Biology for Secondary School Teaching in the UNITED KINGDOM	An overall average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (75%) - Chemistry (85%) - Biology (85%) - English (90%)	
ED010	English for Secondary School Teaching in the UNITED KINGDOM FOR MALE APPLICANTS ONLY	An overall average of at least (85%) - English (90%) - Arabic or another language (75%) - PLUS the applicant should have achieved at least (80%) in all other school subjects	English

GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) STUDY GRANTS

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SE901	Education (For female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (85%) PLUS English and Arabic at grade (85%)	-English - Arabic	(PARTIAL STUDY GRANT) STUDY DESTINATION: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES HEI: UNITED ARAB EMIRATES UNIVERSITY - ART, PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND MUSIC ARE NOT CONSIDERED. -APPLICANTS WILL REQUIRE AN IELTS SCORE OF 5.5

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

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CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS222	Bachelor in Education (primary or core course/major) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Arabic, Islamic Studies AND Social Studies at grade (70%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS283			Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS244			Sohar University Medium of Instruction : Arabic
BS284	Bachelor in Education (secondary area of study/minor) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths (70%) - 1 from Physics, Chemistry or Biology (70%) - English (65%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : English
BS223		An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths (70%) - 1 from Physics, Chemistry or Biology (70%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction : Arabic
BS245			Sohar University Medium of Instruction: Arabic

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS009	Bachelor in Education - Technical Information (male applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure or Applied Maths (70%) - English (65%)	Dhofar University Medium of Instruction: English
BS281			Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : English
BS040	Bachelor in Education (English Language)	An overall average of at least (80%) - English (70 %)	Dhofar University
BS029			Nizwa University
BS030			Sohar University
BS038	Bachelor in Education (Mathematics)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths (70 %) - English (65%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : English
BS039			Dhofar University Medium of Instruction: English
BS240		An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths (70 %)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction: English
BS270			Sohar University Medium of Instruction : Arabic - Pass the interview and Medical test
BS271	Bachelor in Education (Arabic Language)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Arabic and Islamic Studies both at grade (70%)	Nizwa University
BS278			A'sharqiyah University
BS241			
BS272	Bachelor in Education (Biology) (male applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Biology (70%) - Chemistry or Physics (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (65%)	Sohar University Medium of Instruction: Arabic - Applicants must also pass an interview and a medical test.
BS285		An overall average of at least (80%) - Biology (70%) - Chemistry or Physics (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (65%) - English (65%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: English
BS279	Bachelor in Education (Chemistry) (male applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Chemistry (70%) - Physics or Biology (65%) - Pure Maths (65%) - English (65%)	

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS280	Bachelor in Education (Physics)	An overall average of at least (80%) -Physics (70%) - Biology or Chemistry (65%) - Pure Maths (65%) - English (65%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: English
BS282	Bachelor in Education (Fine Arts) (male only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Arts (70%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : Arabic Applicants must sit and succeed in an aptitude test
BS273	Bachelor in Education (Physical Education) (female only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Physical Education (70%)	Sohar University Medium of Instruction: Arabic - Applicants must also pass an interview and a medical test
BS274	Bachelor in Education (Music)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Music (70%)	

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES TO SUPPORT THE OMANISATION OF TEACHING JOBS IN REMOTE VILLAGES

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Internal scholarships ONLY cover the annual tuition fees. The parent(s) or guardian(s) will be responsible to cover the cost of transportation and accommodation (if necessary). Regarding to the Social Security Students, a monthly allowance will be provided to them as decided by the concerned authorities.
2. The programmes are available for students in the Al Wusta Governate and a few schools located in other Governates. In order to competitively apply, a student must be a resident of a remote village and they should have studied at one of the local schools for a period of at least three consecutive years.
3. The list of eligible remote villages has been uploaded to the HEAC website.
4. Internal scholarship recipients will have to complete the foundation course within one year. In case a scholarship recipient fails to meet the required English language requirements within one year, the Ministry of Higher education, Research and Innovation reserves the right to suspend (=put on hold) the scholarship for a period of maximum one year during which the student will have to improve their English language skills at their own expense in order to meet the academic entry requirements set by the institution or obtain an offer of admission (based on a direct entry to an undergraduate degree course) from any other private Higher Education Institution in Oman. If the student fails to meet the entry requirements within the given period, the MoHERI reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship.

CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS303	Bachelor in Education (Core or Primary Area of Study/Major) (Female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Arabic, Islamic Studies and Social Studies at (70%)	A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction: Arabic

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TO SUPPORT THE OMANISATION OF TEACHING JOBS IN REMOTE VILLAGES**

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS323	Bachelor in Education (primary or core course/ major) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Arabic, Islamic Studies and Social Studies at (70%)	Sohar University <i>Medium of Instruction: Arabic</i>
BS311			Nizwa University <i>Medium of Instruction :Arabic</i>
BS304	Bachelor in Education (secondary course or major Field) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths plus 1 from Physics, Chemistry or Biology at grade (70%)	A' Sharqiyah University <i>Medium of Instruction :Arabic</i>
BS324			Sohar University <i>Medium of Instruction: Arabic</i>
BS312		An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths, plus 1 from Physics or Chemistry or Biology at grade (70%) - English (65%)	Nizwa University <i>Medium of Instruction : English</i>
BS305	Bachelor in Education (English)	An overall average of at least (80%) - English (70%)	Nizwa University
BS317			Dhofar University
BS321			Sohar University
BS306	Bachelor in Education (Arabic Language) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Arabic (70%) - Islamic Studies (70%)	Nizwa University
BS330			A'sharqiyah University
BS322	Bachelor in Education (Arabic Language) (male applicants only)		Sohar University - Pass the interview and Medical test

**INTERNAL STUDY GRANTS SPONSORED BY PETROLEUM DEVELOPMENT OMAN (PDO) FOR
STUDENT FROM CONCESSION AREAS AND TO SUPPORT THE OMANISATION OF THE TEACHING
JOBS IN REMOTE VILLAGES**

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PD010	Bachelor in Education (Primary Area of Study/ Major) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) -Arabic, Islamic Studies and Social Studies at grade (70%)	A'Sharqiyah University <i>Medium of Instruction:Arabic</i>
PD011	Bachelor in Education (Secondary Area of Study/ Minor) (female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (80%) - Pure Maths, plus 1 from Physics, Chemistry or Biology at grade (70%)	

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ300	Science and Mathematics	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Pure Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics and Biology and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in 3 of the abovementioned subjects - English (65%)	College of Education at the Sultan Qaboos University will not accept students with speech impairments or other types of disabilities that are not included in the Central Admissions Guide, and which may result to the withdrawal of a place at the college. The university - in this case - is not obliged to offer another place to the student.
SQ350	Islamic Education	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Studies, Arabic and English and achieved a grade of (65%) in all three subjects	
SQ500	English Language	An overall average of at least (75%) - English Language (90%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Studies and Arabic and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in both subjects	
SQ550	Arabic Language	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Studies, Arabic and English and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects	
SQ600	Physical Education	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Arabic, Physical Education and English and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects - Take an ability test.	
SQ650	Art Education	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Arabic, (Fine) Arts and English Language and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects - Take an ability test.	
SQ660	Instructional & Teaching Technologies	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied English, Arabic, Pure or Applied Maths and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects	
SQ670	Early Childhood (Female applicants only)	An overall average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Studies, Arabic and English and achieved a minimum grade of least (65%) in all three subjects	

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US015	Bachelor of English Language	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English (75%) - A pass in Arabic and Islamic Studies 	Highest marks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English - Arabic - Islamic Studies 	HEIs: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Rustaq
US016	Bachelor of Education (Mathematics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Mathematics (65%) - A pass in English 	Highest marks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure Maths - English 	<p style="text-align: center;">Medium of Instruction: Arabic</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Rustaq</p>
US017	Bachelor of Education (Biology)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biology (65%) - A pass in 1 from Chemistry or Physics - A pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics - A pass in English 	Highest marks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Biology - Chemistry or Physics - Pure or Applied Maths - English 	
US018	Bachelor of Education (Chemistry)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemistry (65%) - A pass in 1 from Physics or Biology - A pass in Pure Mathematics - A pass in English 	Highest marks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chemistry - Physics or Biology - Pure Maths - English 	
US019	Bachelor of Education (Physics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Physics (65%) - a pass in 1 from Chemistry or Biology - a pass in Pure Mathematics - a pass in English 	Highest marks in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Physics - Chemistry or Biology - Pure Maths - English 	

**UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES
(OMANISATION OF TEACHING JOBS IN REMOTE (VILLAGES))**

- Medium of Instruction: Arabic
- These programmes are offered for students of Al Wusta Governorate and some schools in other Governorates. Students have to be residents of these remote villages and completed the last three years of their school curriculum there.
- All admitted students who achieved less than (65%) in subjects related to the major are required to join the Educational Tajseer Programme (an additional 18 hours-programme to join the Education Programme at the Higher Education Institution in Rustaq).
- The components of the programme are Arabic + English + Information Technology. The programme is mandatory for students to progress onto the foundation programme. Students will be distributed to levels according to their scores. In case the student fails to complete the foundation programme within the specified period, the student their seat at the college will be withdrawn. Students can be exempted from having to pursue the foundation programme, provided they achieved the required entry level and pass the challenge tests in all components of the programme.

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US020	Bachelor of Education (Mathematics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General Education Diploma - Pure Mathematics (60%) - A pass English language 	Highest marks in: -Pure Maths -English	HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Rustaq
US021	Bachelor of Education in (Biology)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General Education Diploma - Biology (60%) - A pass in 1 from Chemistry or Physics - A pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics - A pass in English 	Highest marks in: - Biology - Chemistry or Physics - Pure or Applied Maths -English	
US022	Bachelor of Education in (Chemistry)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -General Education Diploma - Chemistry (60%) -A pass in 1 from Physics or Biology - A pass in Pure Mathematics - A pass in English 	Highest marks in : - Chemistry - Physics or Biology - Pure Maths - English	
US023	Bachelor in Education in (Physics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General Education Diploma - Physics (60%) - A pass in 1 from Chemistry or Biology - A pass in Pure Mathematics - A pass in English 	Highest marks in : - Physics - Chemistry or Biology - Pure Maths - English	

إدارة الأعمال والتجارة Management and Business

Management and Business is a wide category encompassing diverse subcategories.

If your interest lies in this area, we would recommend that prospective students do thorough research on which courses are deemed most relevant to the needs of the ever-changing economy. Some areas of specialisation may have become 'saturated', which means that a lot of students have already studied and/or are already studying that particular course. Courses available under Management & Business may also be interesting for those wanting to start their own business or for those who want to become part of their family business.

Another interesting subcategory is the growing Logistics sector, which broadly deals with the journey or flow of things and information between the point of origin and the point of consumption.

The Sultanate's growing position as a tourism hotspot has also thrown the limelight on courses in e.g. Hospitality, Tourism or Hotel management.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD)

- In case a SSSD scholarship comprises more than one undergraduate course or major, please consider that some undergraduate degrees may have further requirements as set by the approved overseas higher education institutions (HEIs) and the Oman Ministry of Higher Education, Research & Innovation (MoHERI) cannot guarantee that recipients are able to secure an admission to the selected course and/or HEI of their highest personal preference.
- The MoHERI reserves the right to select a suitable institution for each individual SSSD scholarship recipient.
- All prospective external scholarship applicants are advised to timely take a suitable ACADEMIC IELTS TEST (English language test) to avoid a future deferral (delay) of admission. You can find more information about which type of test would suit you best in this feature: https://heac.gov.om/media/doc/FAQS_ELTs_EN.pdf
- Please bear in mind though that some undergraduate courses are offered by more than one HEI (even in one particular destination) and the exact name of the course and/or undergraduate degree title might differ from one HEI to another.
- Please read the general terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER
SE630	Management, Marketing, Advertising*, Entrepreneurship, Business Analytics, Supply Chain Management, Finance, Actuarial Science/Studies, Risk Management & Insurance or Accounting, Hospitality Management in THE USA	An average of at least (85%) plus: - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (80%) OR 1 of Applied Math, Business or Economics (85%) - English (80%) - PLUS the applicant must have achieved at least (80%) in all other school subjects	1 of Pure Maths, Accounting, Applied Math, Business or Economics
SE639	Aviation Management (only a non-fli ht major is an option – no pilot training), Finance, Actuarial Science/Studies, Risk Management & Insurance or Accounting in THE USA	An average of at least 85% plus: - Pure Maths (85%) - 1 of Physics or Engineering (80%) - English (80%)	Pure Maths, followed by 1 of Physics or Engineering
SE647	Supply Chain Management in the Canada Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS overall score of 5.0	An average of at least (85%) plus: - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (80%) OR 1 of Applied Math, Business or Economics (85%) - English (80%) - PLUS the applicant must have achieved at least (80%) in all other school subject	1 of Pure Maths, Accounting, Applied Math, Business or Economics
SE644	Logistics and/or Supply Chain Management, Project Management (not in Engineering – should be offered by Business School), Advertisement and/or Public Relations or Tourism Management in AUSTRALIA	An average of at least (85%) plus: - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (80%) OR 1 of Applied Math, Business or Economics (85%) - English (80%) - PLUS the applicant must have achieved at least (75%) in all other school subjects	1 of Pure Maths, Accounting, Applied Math, Business or Economics

The scholarship and course entries were accurate at the time of publication of this handbook and necessary changes might be periodically made due to circumstances outside the reasonable control of the MoHERI. In case of any discrepancies, the Arabic version of this content shall prevail over the English version.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD)

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
SE643	Logistics and/or Supply Chain Management, International Business & Finance, Entrepreneurship, Management & Organizational Behavior, Marketing, Retailing or Retail Management, Leadership (Business), Consumer Behavior & Marketing, Business Enterprise, Advertising & Brand Management, Advertising & Digital Marketing or Business Analytics & Consultancy, Accounting, Accounting & Finance, Accounting & Economics, Accounting & Management, Finance, Finance & Economics, Accounting & Financial Management, Banking, Finance & Management, Finance & Business, Actuarial Sciences, Accountancy & Business Law, International Finance, Finance & Law, Finance & Investment, Accounting & Statistics or Finance & Statistics or Hotels & Events Management in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) plus: - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (80%) OR 1 of Applied Math, Business or Economics (85%) - English (80%) - PLUS the applicant must have achieved at least (75%) in all other school subjects	1 of Pure Maths, Accounting, Applied Maths, Business or Economics
SE641	Retail Management, Travel & Tourism Management or Logistics & Supply Chain Management in IRELAND		
SE744	Tourism Management or International Hospitality Management in the NETHERLANDS These programmes are taught in English Applicants should have graduated from a school in the Sultanate of Oman	An average of at least (80%) plus: - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (80%) OR 1 of Applied Math, Business or Economics (85%) - English (80%) - PLUS the applicant must have achieved at least (80%) in all other school subjects	
SE662	Finance, Actuarial Science/Studies, Accounting or Banking in AUSTRALIA	An average of at least 85% plus: - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Maths or Accounting
SE663	Accounting, Accounting & Finance or Finance & Investment in IRELAND		

GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) GRANTS

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SE902	Business and Economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The student should score an overall percentage of (90%) - Score of (90%) in subjects : (English Language +Pure or Applied Mathematics) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Pure or Applied Mathematics - English Language 	<p>(Partial Scholarship)</p> <p>Study Destination: United Arab Emirates</p> <p>HEI: United Arab Emirates University</p> <p>Art, Physical Education, and Music are not considered in the calculation of overall grade</p> <p>-Scholarship applicants will require an overall IELTS score of 5.5</p>

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

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2. The internal scholarship recipients will have to complete the foundation course within one year. In case a scholarship recipient fails to meet the required English language requirements within one year, the Ministry of Higher education, Research and Innovation reserves the right to suspend (=put on hold) the scholarship for a period of maximum one year during which the student will have to improve their English language skills at their own expense in order to meet the academic entry requirements set by the institution or obtain an offer of admission (based on a direct entry to an undergraduate degree course) from any other private Higher Education Institution in Oman. If the student fails to meet the entry requirements within the given period, the MoHERI reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship. Business and Science are not included.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS031	Logistics and Supply Chain Management, Management, Accounting, Finance, Marketing	<p>An average of at least (65%) plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%) 	Dhofar University Medium of Instruction:English
BS216	Team Entrepreneurship Management, Finance and Accounting, Management Information Systems		A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction:English
BS229	Management Information Systems, Global Supply Chain Management & Logistics, Islamic Finance & Banking, Export management, Business administration and Business Electronics or Human Resource Management		AL Buraimi University Medium of Instruction: English, with the exception of Human Resource Management which is taught in Arabic

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS236	Management in Economics, Accounting, Marketing, Systems, Science in Accounting		Arab Open University Medium of Instruction:English
BS168	Tourism & Hospitality Management, Events Management, Tourism Marketing, Business Enterprise (Service management Pathway) or Business Enterprise (Innovation and Entrepreneurship Pathway)	An average of at least (65%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Oman Tourism College Medium of Instruction:English
BS071	Banking & Finance, Human Resource Development, International Business, Marketing, Business Administration, Accounting or Business Economics		Al Buraimi University College Medium of Instruction : English, with the exception of Business Economics which is taught in Arabic.
BS097	Accounting, Auditing & Finance, Banking & Finance, Business Administration or Islamic Finance		College of Banking and Finance Studies Medium of Instruction:English
BS211	International Business and Services Management or Logistics Services	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths (60%) or Applied Maths (65%) - English (70%)	German University of Technology Medium of Instruction: English
BS083	Arts in Economics, Accounting, Aviation Management, Airport Management, Health and Safety Management, Transport and Logistics Management, Business Administration, Business Management, Human Resource Management, Finance, Marketing, Information Management Systems, Risk Management & Insurance or Management	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Modern College of Business and Science Medium of Instruction:English Except for Public Admin, Accounting, HR Management, which are taught in Arabic
BS149	Business Studies, Accounting and Business Studies, Human Resource Management or Project Management		Muscat College Medium of Instruction:English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS290	Logistics & Supply Chain Management	An average of at least (75%) - Pure or Applied Maths (65%) - English (65%)	Muscat University Medium of Instruction : English
BS292	Accounting & Finance		
BS109	Science in Banking & Finance, Business Administration or Accounting	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (60%)	Al Zahra College for Women Medium of Instruction: English
BS012	Tourism and Recreational Management, International Trade and Finance, Business Administration, Accounting, Marketing, Operations Management or Economics and Finance		Nizwa University Medium of Instruction : English
BS041	Logistics Management, Business Administration with a pathway in Marketing, Business Administration with a pathway in (Accounting and Finance), Business Administration with pathway in Human Resource Management or Business Administration with a pathway in General Management	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Middle East College Medium of Instruction: English
BS256	Marketing Management, Business and Management Studies, Business Economics or Accounting and Finance		Gulf College Medium of Instruction: English
BS177	Marketing and Electronic Commerce, Business Administration, Accounting or Finance and Banking		Oman College of Management & Technology Medium of Instruction : English
BS063	Nautical studies (deck officer) or Logistics and Transport Management		International Maritime College Oman Medium of Instruction: English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS186	Business Administration (General Pathway), Business Administration (Human Resource Management Pathway), Business Administration (Accounting Pathway), Business Administration (Information Systems Pathway), Business Administration (Marketing Pathway), Business Administration (Small Business Pathway), Business Administration (Tourism and Event Management Pathway), Islamic Banking and Finance, Accounting, Marketing, Finance or e-Business	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Majan University College Medium of Instruction: English
BS024	Accounting, Management or Marketing		Sohar University Medium of Instruction : English
BS249	Fire Safety Management or Health, Safety & Environmental Management		International College of Engineering and Management Medium of Instruction: English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

CODE			COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Students from Social Welfare households	Students from Low Income Households (< 600 OMR)	All Students, regardless of their financial circumstances			
SF003	SP003	DS003		An average of at least (60%) - Pure or Applied Maths and English at grade (55%)	HEIs: Private Educational Institutions - Students are allowed to select the educational institution of interest based on the area of specialisation. - Students are NOT allowed to transfer to another educational institution after the completion of the registration procedures.

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ250	College of Economics and Political Sciences	An average of at least (75%) - Pure Mathematics (70%) or Applied Maths (80%) - English (65%)	-

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US005	Business Administration/ Commercial Studies	An average of at least (60%) - A pass in Pure or Applied Maths - A pass in English - A pass in Social Studies or Business Administration	Highest Grade in: - English language - Pure or Applied Mathematics - Social Studies or Business Administration	HEIs: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat, Nizwa, Mussana, Shinas, Ibri, Ibra, Salalah.

SEEB VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC002	Business Studies (Male & Female Applicants) Specialised Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with a pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics and English	-

SAHAM VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC004	Business Studies (Male & Female Applicants) Specialised Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with a pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics and English	-

SUR VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC007	Business Studies (Male & Female Applicants) Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with a pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics and English	Admission to this programme is only an option for students from the North and South Sharqiya governorates

IBRI VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC009	Business Studies (Male & Female Applicants) Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with a pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics and English	-

SHINAS VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC011	Business Studies (Male & Female Applicants) Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with a pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics and English	-

AL BURAIMI VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC014	Business Studies (Males & Female applicants) Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with a pass in Pure or Applied Mathematics and English	-

SALALAH VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
VC016	Business Studies (Male & Female applicants only) Sales & Marketing	General Education Diploma with - Pure or Applied Mathematics - English	Application is only for students from Dhofar



المجتمع والثقافة Society and Culture

This section consists of courses that would fall under areas also known as 'Social Sciences' and 'Humanities' but we are using the name given to this area by the OAAA instead. Most of the courses under this category require a lot of (analytical) reading. The job market increasingly requires resources, who are good communicators, team players and possess technical, analytical, critical thinking and problem-solving skills. For those wanting to hone these skills, you can opt for Economics, a study of usage and allocation of resources and the production and consumption of products and goods. Studying Law will help you gain an insight into how social order has evolved and is maintained, and how conflict can be resolved. Another area of interest here might be Criminology, the study of crime and its social outcomes. If you are someone who wants to understand the workings of the mind, then Psychology, a study of human behavior and mental functioning is an option. Do keep in mind that a scholarship in this section would cover an undergraduate degree and this does NOT include Clinical Psychology as this is studied at postgraduate level (falls under Health section). Cultural Heritage Studies also falls under this section and focuses on how we have progressed as a community through customs, practices, objects and places.

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EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD)

CODE	COURSE(S)	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE680	Economics in THE USA	An average of at least (85%) - Pure Mathematics (85%) - English (80%)	Pure Math
SE682	Economics, Business Economics, Financial Economics, Economics & Finance, Economics & Mathematics, Economics & Geography, Economics & Management, International Economics, Economics & Accounting, Economics & Econometrics, Financial Economics, Economics & Business Law or Industrial Economics in THE UNITED KINGDOM		
SE683	Economics in AUSTRALIA		
SE788	(Cultural) Heritage Studies or Archeology in THE UNITED KINGDOM Scholarship recipients are not permitted to request for a transfer to another major that is not listed within this scholarship, even not to a major within the same category, as this scholarship has been included based on very sector-specific needs.	An average of at least (85%) - English (80%) - 1 of Arts, History, Social or Islamic Studies (90%) - PLUS applicant should have achieved at least (75%) in all other school subjects	English
SE700	Psychology (NOT Clinical), Psychology with Criminology or Social Work in the UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) - English (85%) - Pure Mathematics (80%) or Applied Mathematics (85%) - 1 of Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Psychology, Social or Islamic Studies (85%)	English, followed by 1 of Pure Mathematics or Applied Mathematics
SE809	LAW LLB (Legum Baccalaureus= Bachelor of Laws), Criminology or Criminal Justice in AUSTRALIA	An average of at least (85%) - English (85%) - 1 of Pure Mathematics or Accounting (80%) OR 1 of Applied Maths, Business or Economics (85%) - PLUS applicant should have achieved at least (75%) in all other school subjects	English
SE810	LAW LLB (Legum Baccalaureus= Bachelor of Laws), Criminology, Criminology & Social Policy, Criminology & Sociology, Criminology & Criminal Justice, Criminology & Forensic Studies or Criminology & Criminal Behavior in the UNITED KINGDOM		



GULF COOPERATION COUNCIL (GCC) GRANTS

CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SE903	Law	An average of at least (85%) plus English Language, Arabic Language AND Pure or Applied Mathematics at grade (85%)	-Arabic Language -English Language	(Partial Scholarship) Study Destination: United Arab Emirates HEI: United Arab Emirates University Art, Physical Education, and Music are not considered in the calculation of overall grade -Scholarship applicants will require an IELTS score of 5.5

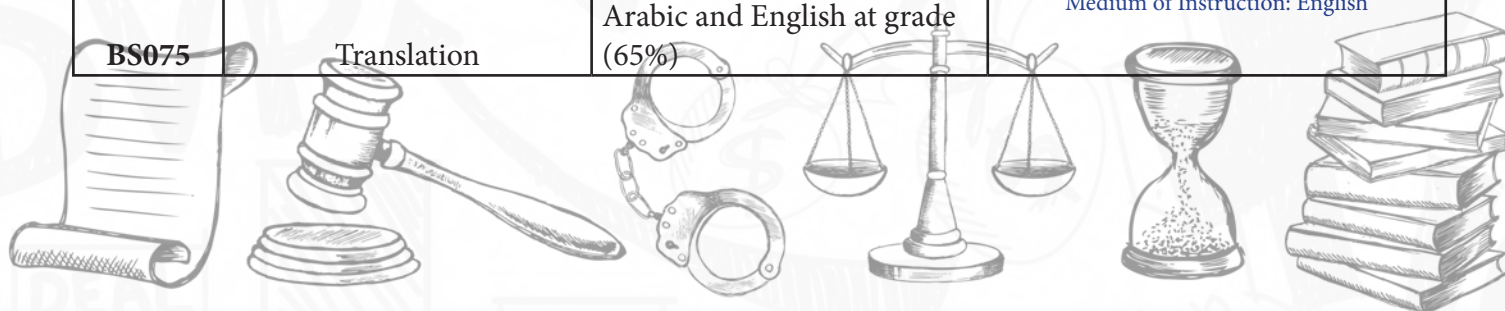
INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS021	Business and Commercial Law, Law	An average of at least (65%) - Arabic at (75%) - English (55%)	Sohar University Medium of Instruction: English Law Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS033	Law		Dhofar University Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS073	Law		Al Buraimi University College Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS231	Law		University of Al Buraimi Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS219	Law		A'Sharqiyah University Medium of Instruction : Arabic
BS077	Law		Arab Open University Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS092	Commercial Law		Modern College of Business and Science Medium of Instruction : English



INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS111	Law	An average of at least (65%) - Arabic (75%) - English (60%)	Al Zahra College for Women <i>Medium of Instruction: Arabic</i>
BS011	- English Language and Translation - French Language and Translation - German Language and Translation	An average of at least (65%) - Arabic (60%) - English (80%)	Nizwa University <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS023	- English Language and Literature - English Language and Translation		Sohar University <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS036	- English Language - Translation		Dhofar University <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS107	- English Language and Translation - English Language and Literature		Al Zahra College for Women <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS197	- English Literature - English Professional Writing		Al Bayan College <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS188	English Language		Majan University College <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS221	Counselling Psychology	An average of at least (65%) - Arabic AND Pure or Applied Maths at grade (60%) - English (55%)	A'Sharqiyah University <i>Medium of Instruction: Arabic</i>
BS074	English Language and Literature	An average of at least (65%) - Arabic (60%) - English (80%)	Al Buraimi University College <i>Medium of Instruction: English</i>
BS075	Translation	An average of at least (70%) Arabic and English at grade (65%)	



SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ255	College of Economics and Political Sciences (Political Sciences)	An average of at least (75%) - Arabic and English at grade (80%) - Pure or Applied Maths (65%)	-
SQ700	College of Arts and Social Sciences (General Arts)	An average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Culture, Arabic and English and achieved a minimum grade of at least (65%) in all subjects	-
SQ800	College of Law		-



الفنون الإبداعية Creative Arts

“Creative Arts” is not just about Fine Arts and Performing Arts. It is a very inclusive field, which contains a number of categories and subcategories or majors. A number of these majors would fall under the broader area of Media and Communication for those who are interested in news and its dissemination. Think of Journalism or TV, Media and Film Production courses, for example. Another avenue to explore is Digital Media, Graphic Design, or Visual Effects such as computer animation and (visual) effects for video, film and multimedia. Those interested in Museums, and Heritage, you can explore history of art with Museum Studies, which also cover aspects of museum and/or art gallery operations.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.

EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD)

- In case a SSSD scholarship comprises more than one undergraduate course or major, please consider that some undergraduate degrees may have further requirements as set by the approved overseas higher education institutions (HEIs) and the Oman Ministry of Higher Education, Research & Innovation (MoHERI) cannot guarantee that recipients are able to secure an admission to the selected course and/or HEI of their highest personal preference.
- The MoHERI reserves the right to select a suitable institution for each individual SSSD scholarship recipient.
- All prospective external scholarship applicants are advised to timely take a suitable ACADEMIC IELTS TEST (English language test) to avoid a future deferral (delay) of admission. You can find more information about which type of test would suit you best in this feature: https://heac.gov.om/media/doc/FAQS_ELTs_EN.pdf
- Please bear in mind though that some undergraduate courses are offered by more than one HEI (even in one particular destination) and the exact name of the course and/or undergraduate degree title might differ from one HEI to another.
- Please read the general terms & conditions for more information.

CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)
SE720	Digital Media, Graphic Design, Animation, Broadcast or Digital Journalism, Television and/or Film Studies, Media Production, Computer Graphics, Imaging & Multimedia, Fine Arts, Visual Arts, History of Art with Gallery & Museum Studies or Museum Studies & Archeology in THE UNITED KINGDOM	An average of at least (85%) - English (85%) - 2 of Arabic or another language, Media, Psychology, Arts, Graphic Design, Islamic Studies, Social Studies or IT (85%)	-English - Arts or Graphic Design, Arabic or Islamic Studies or Social Studies
SE721	Digital Media, Media, Visual Arts, Graphic Design, Communication Studies, Journalism or Film (Production) in THE USA	- PLUS applicant should have achieved at least (80%) in other school subjects	

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Internal scholarships ONLY cover the annual tuition fees. The parent(s) or guardian(s) will be responsible to cover the cost of transportation and accommodation (if necessary). Regarding to the Social Security Students, a monthly allowance will be provided to them as decided by the concerned authorities.
2. The internal scholarship recipients will have to complete the foundation course within one year. In case a scholarship recipient fails to meet the required English language requirements within one year, the Ministry of Higher education, Research and Innovation reserves the right to suspend (=put on hold) the scholarship for a period of maximum one year during which the student will have to improve their English language skills at their own expense in order to meet the academic entry requirements set by the institution or obtain an offer of admission (based on a direct entry to an undergraduate degree course) from any other private Higher Education Institution in Oman. If the student fails to meet the entry requirements within the given period, the MoHERI reserves the right to withdraw the scholarship. Business and Science are not included.

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS136	Fashion Design, Graphic Design (Digital), Animation or Photography	An average of at least (65%) plus: - English (55%)	Scientific college of Design Medium of Instruction: English
BS137	Fine Arts Applicants must take an aptitude test		

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

CODE	COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS286	Fine Arts	An average of at least (65%) - (Fine) Art and English at grade (65%)	Nizwa University Medium of Instruction: Mainly English, while a few modules are taught in Arabic
BS108	Graphic Design	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (60%)	Al Zahra College for Women Medium of Instruction: Arabic
BS196	Journalism, Public Relations, Advertising, Broadcasting, Visual Communication Design	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (60%) - English (55%)	Al Bayan College Medium of Instruction: English

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

CODE			COURSES	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Social Welfare Households	Low Income Households (600 OMR or less)	All Students	These scholarships cover a variety of diploma courses in Creative Arts based on the availability of diploma courses in this area offered by private educational institutions and the diploma course admission requirements.	An average of at least (60%) plus: - Pure or Applied Maths and English at grade (55%)	HEIs: Private Universities and Colleges. - Students are allowed to select the educational institution where there are interested to study in based on the specialisation they accepted in. - Students are NOT Allowed to change the preferred College or University after the completion of registration.
SF004	SP004	DS004			

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ780	College of Arts and Social Sciences (Music and Musical Sciences)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An average of at least (75%) plus: - A pass in Music skills, Arabic and English language and a grade of (65%) or higher in all three subjects 	Prospective applicants must take and succeed in an abilities test.

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

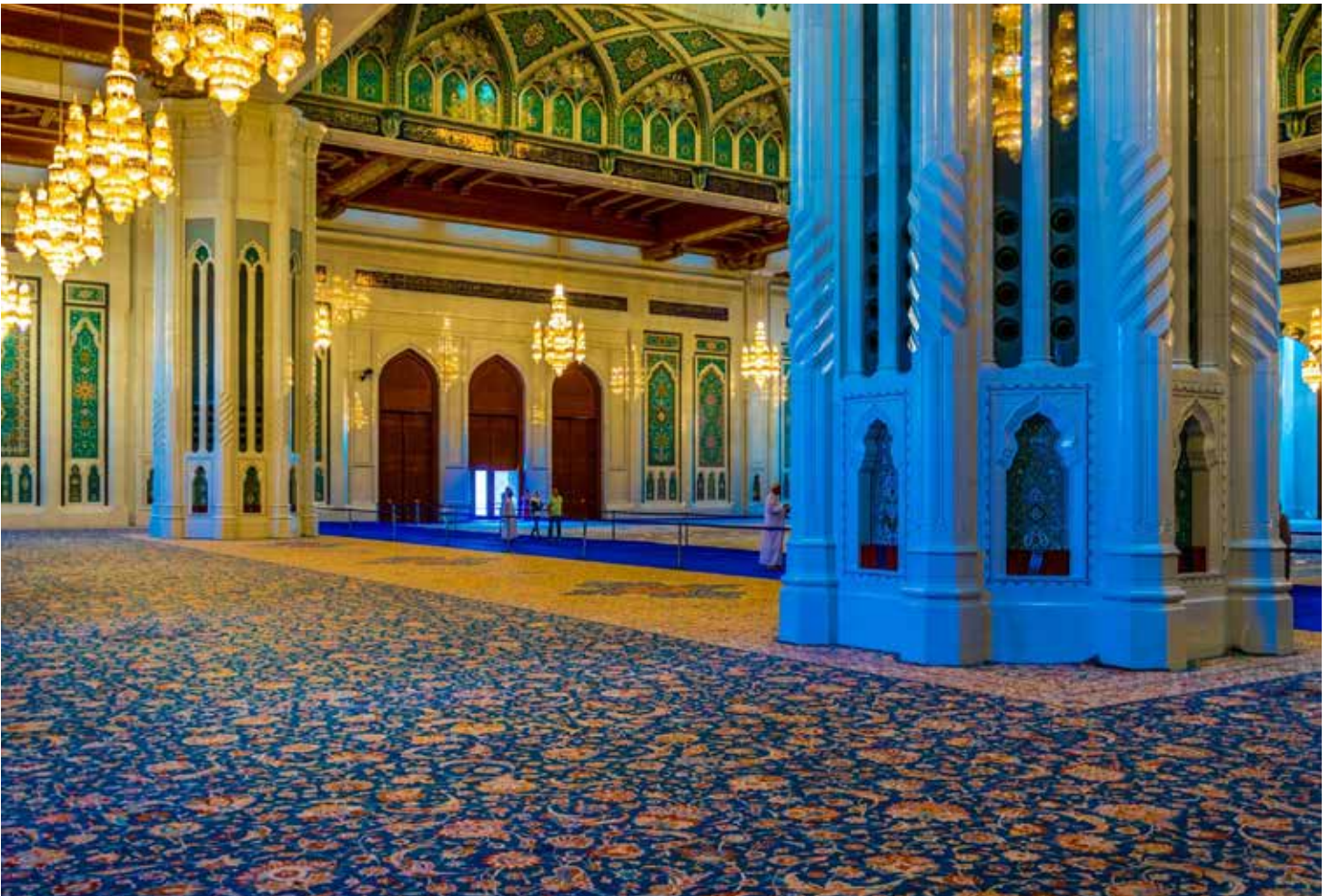
CODE	COURSE	STANDARD ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US007	Design	An average of at least (60%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A pass in Pure or Applied Maths - A pass in English - A pass in Arabic - 1 from Art or Engineering Drawing at grade (60%) 	Highest grades in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Art or Engineering Drawing - English - Pure or Applied Maths - Arabic 	HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Nizwa Prospective applicants must take an admissions test and sit for an interview.
US008	Mass Communication	An average of at least (60%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A pass in Arabic - A pass in English 	Highest grades in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - English - Arabic 	HEIs: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Sur, Nizwa, Salalah.
US010	Photography	An average of at least (60%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A pass in Pure or Applied Maths - A pass in English language 	Highest grades in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pure or Applied Maths - English 	HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat
US011	Fashion Design (Female applicants only)	An average of at least (60%) plus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A pass in Arabic - A pass in English - A pass in Fine Art 	Highest grades in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fine Arts - English language - Arabic Language 	HEI: University of Technology and Applied Sciences in Muscat Prospective applicants must take an admissions test and sit for an interview.

الدين والفلسفة

Religion and Philosophy

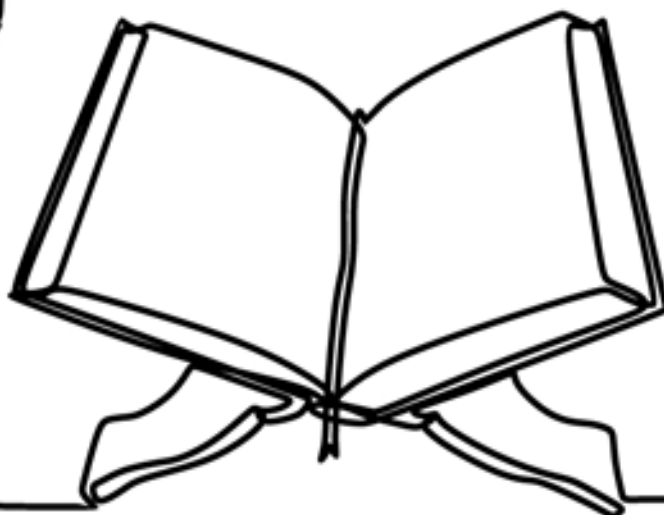
Religion forms the basis of the human race's spiritual fabric. Religion Studies and Philosophy concern themselves with the spiritual side of humanity, in addition to beliefs, perception of reality. At an academic level, there is a rising need to delve deeper into the aspects of Jurisprudence, Islamic Preaching (Da'wah) Studies, and Sharia'a Studies in order to comprehend the changes in society and helping people nurture and maintain their spirituality and find solutions to counter-balance the pressures of technology, materialism, media, cultural, and ideological differences.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.



COLLEGE OF SHARIA'A SCIENCES

CODE	COURSES	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
IS003 (Only for male applicants)	Jurisprudence and its Foundations	An average of at least (75%) - Islamic Studies (75%) - Arabic (75%)	Highest grades in: -Arabic - Islamic Studies	-Male and female students will be able to select an area of specialisation after the second year (either Jurisprudence and Its Foundations or Foundations of Religion) on the basis of the college's criteria.
	Foundations of Religion			
IS004 (Only for female applicants)	Jurisprudence and its Foundations			
	Foundations of Religion			



الطلبة من ذوي الإعاقات الخاصة

Students with Disabilities

Sultanate of Oman's progressive education policies have ensured that anyone who seeks to pursue higher education can find access to avenues that help them achieve their potential and become successful and contributing global and local citizens. As part of the Government Scholarships & Seats Schemes, students from varied backgrounds and circumstances are able to follow their dreams and this includes students with disabilities.

Types of disabilities, as categorised by the Oman Ministry of Social Development, include those who have sensory or mobility impairments, a physical health condition or a mental impairment, social or developmental disabilities such as autism spectrum disorder and genetic disorders such as Down Syndrome.

Students with disabilities are advised to select programmes that are more accommodative of their type of disability. For example: If you have a disability that restricts your physical movement (mobility) or requires a certain level of fitness, you should refrain from applying for a programme that has physical fitness as a pre-requisite.

Remember that choosing WHAT to study will be one the most important decisions you will have to make. Please make sure you take into consideration your own ambition(s), interests, talents AND the needs of the ever-changing economy as part of your higher education decision-making process. Make sure to explore and really know your options before you rank them in order of preference. Always check out the structure and content of the courses covered by scholarships and consider how these might differ from one higher education institution to another.



EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS BY SUBJECT AND STUDY DESTINATION (SSSD)

- In case a scholarship comprises more than one undergraduate course or major, please consider that some Undergraduate degree programmes may have further requirements and the Ministry of Higher Education (MoHERI) cannot guarantee securing admission to the selected programme and/or University of highest preference. The MoHERI reserves the right to select a suitable institution for each scholarship recipient;
- All external scholarship applicants are advised to take the IELTS for UKVI ACADEMIC TEST in April or May to avoid a future deferral (delay) of admission;
- Please bear in mind though that some programmes are offered by more than one higher education institution (even in one particular destination) and the exact name of the programme and/or undergraduate degree title might be different from one higher education institution to another;
- The course entries were accurate at the time of publication of this handbook and necessary changes might be periodically made due to circumstances outside the reasonable control of the MoHERI;
- Please read the terms & conditions for more info. In case of any discrepancies, the Arabic version of this content shall prevail over the English version.

CODE	COURSES	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKERS
SE890	<p>SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DEAF STUDENTS IN JORDAN</p> <p>The students can choose any major to study at the university.</p> <p>The MoHERI cannot guarantee that a candidate will be admitted to the programme and/or university of preference.</p>	<p>An average of at least (75%) - PLUS applicants should have passed all other school subjects</p>	<p>English</p>

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	FACULTY	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ001	College of Agricultural and Marine Sciences	<p>An average of at least (75%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A grade of at least (65%) in 2 of Chemistry, Physics and Biology - A grade of at least (65%) in both Pure Mathematics and English 	<p>Types of disabilities:</p> <p>Students with a lower limb disabilities are eligible to apply only for the following programmes: Natural Resource Economics or Food Science.</p>
SQ150	College of Science	<p>An average of at least (75%)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A grade of at least (65%) in 2 of Chemistry, Physics and Biology - A grade of at least (65%) in both Pure Mathematics and English 	<p>Types of disabilities:</p> <p>Students with a partial upper and lower limb disability are eligible to apply for this scholarship.</p>

SULTAN QABOOS UNIVERSITY

CODE	COURSE	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
SQ250	College of Economics and Political Sciences	An average of at least (75%) - (70%) in Pure Maths or (80%) in Applied Maths - (65%) in English	Types of disabilities: Students with a physical impairment are eligible to apply.
SQ255	College of Economics and Political Sciences (Political Sciences)	An average of at least (75%) - (80%) in both Arabic and English - (65%) in Pure or Applied Maths	Types of disabilities: Students with a physical impairment are eligible to apply.
SQ350	College of Education (Islamic Education)	An average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Studies, Arabic and English and achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects	Types of disabilities: Partial lower limb disability
SQ660	Instructional & Teaching Technologies	An average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied English, Arabic, Pure or Applied Maths and have achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects	Types of disabilities: Partial lower limb disability
SQ650	College of Education (Art)	An average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Arabic, (Fine) Arts and English and must have achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects.	Types of disabilities: Partial lower limb disability
SQ700	College of Arts and Social Sciences (General Arts)	An average of at least (75%) - Applicants must have studied Islamic Studies, Arabic and English and must have achieved a grade of at least (65%) in all three subjects.	Types of disabilities: Students with a movement or visual impairment are eligible to apply.
SQ800	College of Law		Types of disabilities: Students with a lower limb disability are eligible to apply.

COLLEGE OF SHARIA'A SCIENCES

CODE	COURSE	program minimum requirement	TIE BREAKER	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
IS005 (Only for male applicants)	Jurisprudence and its Foundations	An average of at least (75%) - Attend an in-person admissions interview	Highest grades in the following subjects: Arabic Language Islamic Education	
	Foundations of Religion			
IS006 (Only for female applicants)	Jurisprudence and its Foundations			
	Foundations of Religion			

UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED SCIENCES

CODE	COURSE	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	TIE BREAKER(S)	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
US027	Information Technology	An average of at least (60%) - A pass in Pure Maths - A pass in English	The Highest marks in: - Pure Maths - English Language	Types of disabilities: Students with an upper limb disability, poor sight, hearing impairment, speech disorders, chronic diseases, polio or congenital disorders are eligible to apply. Applicants will have to attend an in-person admissions interview.
US028	Business Studies	An average of at least (60%) - A pass in Pure or Applied Maths - A pass in English - A pass in Social Studies	Highest Grade in: - English - Pure or Applied Mathematics - Social Studies	

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS- UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Notices:			
CODE	COURSES	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
BS260	Specialisations in Management for students with Movement Disorders	An average of at least (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (55%) - English (55%)	Students should select the area of specialisation and the private educational institution that accepts students with their type of disability.
BS261	Specialisations in Information Technology for students with movement disorders		
BS262	Specialisations in Engineering for students with movement disorders	An average of at least (65%) - Pure Maths (60%) - 1 from Chemistry or Physics (60%) - English (55%)	
BS263	Specialisations in Law for students with movement disorders and visual impairments	An average of (65%) - Arabic (75%) - English (55%)	
BS264	Specialisations in Foreign Languages and Translation for students with movement disorders and visual impairments	An average of (65%) - English and Arabic at (55%)	
BS265	Specialisations in Design for students with movement Disorders	An average of (65%) - Pure or Applied Maths (55%) - English (55%)	
BS275	Specialisations in Arabic Language and Literature for students with visual impairments	An average of (65%) - Arabic (60%)	
BS276	Graphic Design or Interior Design for students with hearing & speech impairments	An average of (65%)	HEI: Al Zahra College for Women - Scientific college of Design

INTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS - DIPLOMA PROGRAMMES

CODE	COURSE(S)	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
DS010	Specialisations in Information Technology	An average of (55%) - Pure or Applied Maths (55%) - English (55%)	-The programmes offered by private educational institutions; taking into consideration the Degree availability(Diploma) and Entry Requirements - Students are allowed to select the educational institution where there are interested to study in based on the specialization they accepted in. - Students are NOT allowed to change the educational institution after the completion of registration procedures.
DS011	Management and Commerce		

**PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE SULTANATE
THAT WELCOME APPLICATIONS FROM STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

NO	Name Institution (NOT listed in any particular order)	Movement Disorders	Hearing and Speech Impairments	Vision Impairment
1	Dhofar University	YES	NO	YES
2	Sohar University	YES	NO	YES
3	German University of Technology	NO	NO	NO
4	Nizwa University	YES	YES	YES
5	Muscat University	YES	NO	NO
6	Scientific College of Design	YES	YES	NO
7	Al Buraimi University College	NO	NO	NO
8	Majan University College	YES	NO	NO
9	Al Zahra College for Women	YES	YES	YES
10	College of Banking and Financial Studies	YES	NO	NO
11	Gulf College	YES	NO	NO
12	Middle East College	YES	NO	NO
13	Global College of Engineering & Technology	YES	NO	NO
14	Arab Open University	NO	NO	NO
15	National University of Science & Technology	YES	NO	NO
16	Modern College of Commerce and Science	NO	NO	NO
17	International College for Engineering and Management	NO	NO	NO
18	National College of Automotive Technology	NO	NO	NO
19	University of Buraimi	YES	NO	NO
20	Al Sharqiyah University	NO	NO	NO
21	Al Bayan College	YES	NO	NO
22	International Marine College of Oman	YES	NO	NO
23	Oman Dental College	NO	NO	NO
24	Oman College for Management and Technology	YES	NO	NO
25	Oman Tourism College	NO	NO	NO
26	Institute of Topographical Sciences	NO	NO	NO
27	Muscat College	YES	NO	NO

CONTACT DETAILS OF HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS IN OMAN

LOCATION	INSTITUTION	WEBSITE	Tel	FAX
AlKhoudh	Sultan Qaboos University	www.squ.edu.om	24141807	24413861
Airport Heights	Military Technical College	www.mtc.edu.om	22091111	22091370
Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation				
Airport Heights	External Scholarships Department	www.moheri.gov.om	24340900	24340774
	Internal Scholarships Department			24340815
Alkhwair	College of Shariaa Science	www.css.edu.om	24393950 24393888 24393824	24393801
North Hail	A'Seeb Vocational College	Dos@seebvc.edu.om	24556509 24556511	24535722 24540964
Bathaa Alashkhar	Saham Vocational College	Info@sahamvtc.edu.om	26959666 26959767	26854163 26959668
Alrayba	Ibri Vocational College	ibrivtc@ibrivtc.edu.om	25783703 25783725	25783799
Almurtafa'a	Sur Vocational College	survc@survc.edu.om	25530003 25530068	25540162
Alaqar	Shinas Vocational College	scv_doc@shinasvc.edu.om	26747691	26747725
Alaqad	AlBuraimi Vocational College	Doc@brm-vtc.edu.om	25661134 25661115	25657305
Raisoot	Salalah Vocational College	Info@svc.edu.om	23219615 23219614	23221016
Abbasah	Al-Khabourah Vocational College for Marine Science	Info@ftik.edu.om	26801937	26801939
University of Technology and Applied Sciences				
Rustaq branch	University of Technology and Applied Sciences	reg.rus@cas.edu.om	26774977 26774857	26877026
Sohar branch		reg.sal@cas.edu.om	22057133	22057001
Nizwa branches		reg.niz@cas.edu.om	25433760	25431102
		www.nct.edu.om	25446555	25431020
Ibri branches		reg.ibr@cas.edu.om	25692470	25691696
	www.ibriect.edu.om	25690664	25689723	

University of Technology and Applied Sciences				
Sur branch	University of Technology and Applied Sciences	reg.sur@cas.edu.om	25543055	25544751
Salalah branches		reg.sal@cas.edu.om	23224303	23225620
		www.sct.edu.om/web	23223401	23226267
Muscat branch		www.hct.edu.om	24473622	24478401
Musun'ah-branch		www.act.edu.om	26871333	26869257
Shinas branch		www.ctshinas.edu.om	26852811	26747426
Ibraa branch		www.ict.edu.om	25587800	25549020
Ministry of Health Institutions				
Alwataiya	Health Science Institute	www.moh.gov.om	24560085 Extension (1001)	24560384
Alwataiya	Pharmacy		24560990	24564042
Alwataiya	Nursing- Muscat Branch		24564112 Extension (2100)	24565879
Rustaq	Rustaq Nursin Branch		26877181	26772557
Sohar	North Batinah Nursing Branch		26840592	26841811
Nizwa	Al Dhahirah Nursing Branch		25211853	25211910
Al Dhahirah	Al Dhahirah Nursing Branch		25881602	25696154
Ibraa	North Nursing Branch		25570075 25570073	25570076
Sur	South Shargiya Nursing Branch		25543902 25543901	25544263
Salalah	Dhofar Nursing Branch		23216783	23216049
Muscat	Oman Health Information Management Institute		24563957	24561747

Central Bank of Oman - HEI

Boushar	College of Banking and Financial Studies	www.cbfs.edu.om	22059716 22059718 22059725	-
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Private Higher Education Institutions

LOCATION	INSTITUTION	WEBSITE	Tel	FAX
Sohar	Sohar University	www.su.edu.om	26850100	26720102
Darsait	Majan University College	www.majancollege.edu.om	24730400 24730423 24730424	24730490
Airport Heights	National University of Science & Technology	ww.nu.edu.om	24250419 24250417 24250416	24250820
Airport Heights	Al Zahraa College	www.zcw.edu.om	24512888	24511193
Airport Heights	Mazoon College	www.mazcol.edu.om	24513300 24513315 80081999	24513346
Sur	Sur University College	www.suc.edu.om	25565556 25565558 25565554	25565551 25565561
Knowledge Oasis	Middle East College	www.mec.edu.om	24531444	24446028
Al Buraimi	Al Buraimi University College	www.buc.edu.om	25657666	25657600
Airport Heights	Scientific College of Design	www.scd.edu.om	24513232 24343252	24513213
Boushar	Modren College of Commerce and Science	www.mcbs.edu.om	24583525 24583524	-
Airport Heights	Oman College Tourism	www.otc.edu.om	24512346 24512345	24512349
Halban	Oman College for Management and Technology	www.omancollege.edu.om	24051000 24051002	24501099 24501088
Boushar	Muscat College	www.muscatcollege.edu.om	24594783 24501181 24503821	24504954

Private Higher Education Institutions

LOCATION	INSTITUTION	WEBSITE	Tel	FAX
Airport Heights	International College for Engineering and Management	www.icem.edu.om	24512000 24522033	24521355
Salalah	Dhofar University	www.du.edu.om	80018001	23237777
Al Maabila	Gulf College	www.gulfcollege.edu.om	24468686 93035558	24600226
Sohar	International Marine College of Oman	www.imco.edu.om	26827777	26827744
Halban	Al Bayan College	www.bayancollege.edu.om	24263664 24263665 24263666	24263667
Madinat Al Sultan Qaboos	Arab Open University	www.aou.edu.om	24697300	24699669
Ibra	Al Sharqiya University	www.asu.edu.om	25401000 25401037	25401002
Al Buraimi	University of Buraimi	www.uob.edu.om	256483800	-
Boushar	Global College for Engineering and Management	www.gcet.edu.om	24227912 24227960 24227999	24227901
Nizwa	Nizwa University	ww.unizwa.edu.om	25446234 25446396	25446338
Halban	German University of Technology	www.gutech.edu.om	22061111 80082222	22061000
AL Watiya	Oman Medical College	www.omandentalcollege.org	24665555	24665566
Northern Ghobra	Muscat University	www.muscatuniversity.edu.om	24645444	-
Ruwi	Topographic institute	www.ogc.edu.om	24312261	24312443
Al Maabila	National College of Automotive Technology	www.ncat.edu.om	24260500 24260566	24453272

ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM (EXAMPLE)

DID YOU KNOW THAT YOU ARE EXPECTED TO LIST AT LEAST TWELVE AND PREFERABLY MORE OPTIONS IN VIEW OF YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION?

Student Number, or Seat Number

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Student Civil Number

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List the scholarship codes in the order of your personal preference.

Ranking (by nr)	Scholarship Code	Name Scholarship	HEI* (if mentioned)

*HEI= Higher Education Institution

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We strongly recommend that you take a test before or while you register for scholarships but before you sit for your final exams – hence, ideally in either April or even May or June. Please note that Oman’s Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation (MoHERI) cannot accept any liability for information about available English language tests and strictly maintains a neutral stand on the available English language tests.



- Different undergraduate courses need different levels of English, usually measured via English Language Tests and institutions will usually mention the type/s of English language qualification/s (tests) they require for direct admission.
- The International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test is one of these English language proficiency tests.
- If you are considering taking an IELTS test, and you are a prospective student, you will need to take the IELTS Academic version or the IELTS for UKVI Academic version, not the General Training option.
- UKVI stands for United Kingdom Visas and Immigration. It is a Secure English Language test (SELT) for visa purposes approved by the home office for visa applications to the United Kingdom (UK).
- The IELTS Academic for UKVI test is the same as the 'regular' IELTS Academic test in terms of content, format, scoring and the level of difficulty, but with increased security settings, while it is also slightly more expensive than the 'regular' IELTS Academic option.
- The IELTS for UKVI is MANDATORY or required for courses below degree level (i.e. foundation programmes) offered in the UK. The IELTS for UKVI Academic option is also accepted as an indicator or proof of your English language skills by Higher Education Institutions in Oman and countries other than the UK. This should be taken into consideration by students who have to decide which English language test to take.
- You do not need to worry about a lower level of English language proficiency because if you do not yet meet the direct entry requirements set by institutions, you will be provided with an opportunity to first improve your English language skills before starting your undergraduate degree with a pre-sessional course, provided you can improve your language skills within a certain period of time as per the terms and conditions that will apply to you.
- A 'high OR low' test score does NOT affect your ability to competitively apply for undergraduate scholarships, unless a minimum IELTS or equivalent test score is required to apply for a particular scholarship - please refer to the student guide due in May for further information.

English is often the medium of instruction at many Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the Sultanate and abroad. At these HEIs, all prospective undergraduate students are expected to take part in class discussions and submit assessments such as coursework and examinations in English, the medium of instruction. Hence, students will need to achieve a certain level of fluency in English to cope with, and benefit from, their future undergraduate course.

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DO NOT WORRY IF YOU ARE NOT YET PROFICIENT IN ENGLISH

If you are currently in grade 12 and worried that you may not **YET** fulfil these conditions, there is **NO** need to worry as there are preparation courses to help you improve your academic English language skills.

If you are a prospective undergraduate scholarship applicant, you are expected to take an English language test, even if you are **NOT** expected to achieve a high score. The test result will be primarily used as an **INDICATOR** of your English language proficiency.

Based on the English language test scores, your future academic advisers and admissions teams will be able to gauge whether you meet the necessary English language requirements to directly enter your future undergraduate course **OR** need to first improve your English language skills with a pre-session course that must be not take more than a year for you to complete.

You can take the English language test online or at a test center in Oman. Hopefully, you have already taken the test while you were still in grade 11 or year 12 and it is usually valid for two years. If not, we strongly advise you to take an approved English proficiency test, ideally in April or May, in the Sultanate **while** you are **still** competitively applying for scholarships, seats and/or grants through the Higher Education Admissions Center (HEAC) portal.

Do **NOT** wait until after your final exams or after the scholarships have been competitively awarded to take the tests! A lower overall score does **NOT** negatively affect your ability to competitively apply for scholarships, unless a minimum IELTS score is required to apply for a particular scholarship. Also keep in mind that a higher score does **NOT** give you a competitive advantage when applying for scholarships.

The following page* aims to answer the frequently asked questions about English Language Tests, including about the International English Language

Testing System (IELTS) for UK Visas & Immigration (UKVI) Academic test, which is accepted by most countries and course providers around the world. The IELTS for UKVI academic test is mandatory for those who need to study a foundation course in the UK because of the visa requirements set by the UK Government.

FAQS AND ANSWERS

1. WHAT IS AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST AND WHICH ONE SHOULD I TAKE?

An English language test measures your English language skills. Most Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in the Sultanate and abroad accept more than one type of English language test, including the IELTS Academic version and IELTS for UKVI Academic version. Admissions teams at HEIs will usually state which test(s) they prefer for direct admission, the minimum overall grade they expect, and the grades they require in writing, speaking, listening, and reading. Admissions teams at HEIs act as a central enquiry point for students, who are thinking of applying for an undergraduate degree.

2. WHAT IS AN IELTS TEST?

If you are a prospective undergraduate student, the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) test is an English language proficiency test designed to assess your ability to listen, read, write, and speak in English and is suitable for students who want to study in an English-speaking environment (i.e. any Higher Education Institution where teaching is carried out in English). IELTS is graded on a scale of 1-9. IELTS is jointly owned by the British Council, IDP: IELTS Australia and Cambridge Assessment English.

3. WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE IELTS ACADEMIC VERSION AND IELTS GENERAL TRAINING VERSION AND WHICH ONE DO I NEED FOR MY HIGHER UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES?

The IELTS Writing and Reading test components are different in the Academic and General Training tests. For instance, the Academic test focuses on topics suitable for anyone entering university or professional institutions, while the General Training test is based on topics of general interest.

As a prospective student, and if you are considering taking an IELTS test, you will need to take the IELTS Academic version or the IELTS for UKVI Academic version.

4. WHAT IS IELTS FOR UKVI ACADEMIC TEST?

UKVI stands for United Kingdom Visas and Immigration. It is a Secure English Language test (SELT) for visa purposes approved by the home office for visa applications to the United Kingdom (UK). This means this test has been designed to meet certain requirements set by the UK Government and that are specific to UK Visas and Immigration procedures. In other words, it has been accepted as proof of English proficiency for people wanting to live and work or study in the UK.

The IELTS Academic for UKVI test is the same as the 'regular' IELTS Academic test in terms of content, format, scoring and the level of difficulty, but with increased security settings. The IELTS UKVI Academic test can be accepted as an indicator of your English language skills by most, if not all, Higher Education Institutions in Oman and abroad (including in countries other than the UK), while it is mandatory in view of student visa applications for those who first have to take a course below undergraduate degree level in the UK (e.g. a foundation course).

5. WHICH TEST SUITS ME BEST?

- The UKVI version of the IELTS test is mandatory for prospective students, who will take courses below degree level in the UK.
- For courses at undergraduate degree level or any courses in countries other than the UK, you should check which other tests are accepted by the institutions that offer these courses.

If you are NOT planning to competitively apply for any scholarship allocated to the United Kingdom or if you are expected to meet the direct entry requirements set by HEIs in the UK (e.g. you are an international qualification holder), you can consider to take the 'regular' IELTS Academic option.

However, if you are planning to competitively apply for a scholarship allocated to the United Kingdom and think you will be below the degree level (for example, you first have to pursue a foundation course), you may want to opt for the IELTS for UKVI Academic test instead. Please do bear in mind that no entity can guarantee that you will be awarded your preferred scholarship as awards are highly competitive.

6. WHY DOES THE EXTERNAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP DEPARTMENT ADVISE STUDENTS TO TAKE THE IELTS FOR UKVI?

Although most HEIs do accept more than one type of English language test and MoHERI is not in favour of any particular test, it is also true that students who will be competitively awarded a scholarship to study in the UK and who will have to pursue a foundation programme (e.g. GED qualification holders) may require the IELTS for UKVI test for visa application procedures. Bear in mind that the IELTS for UKVI has also been accepted by HEIs in all other study destinations.

7. IS THE IELTS ACADEMIC OPTION ACCEPTED IN ALL COUNTRIES?

Yes, but it is important to note that if you are competitively awarded a scholarship to study in the United Kingdom (UK), and, based on your type of school qualification (e.g. GED) and/or not *quite* meeting the direct entry requirements set by a university, you have to first study a foundation course in the UK. And for this and for visa and immigration purposes, you will have to submit an academic IELTS for UKVI test.

8. IS THE IELTS FOR UKVI (ACADEMIC) TEST ACCEPTED IN ALL COUNTRIES AS AN INDICATOR OF MY ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS?

Yes.

9. WILL A HIGHER IELTS TEST SCORE RESULT IN A MORE COMPETITIVE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION?

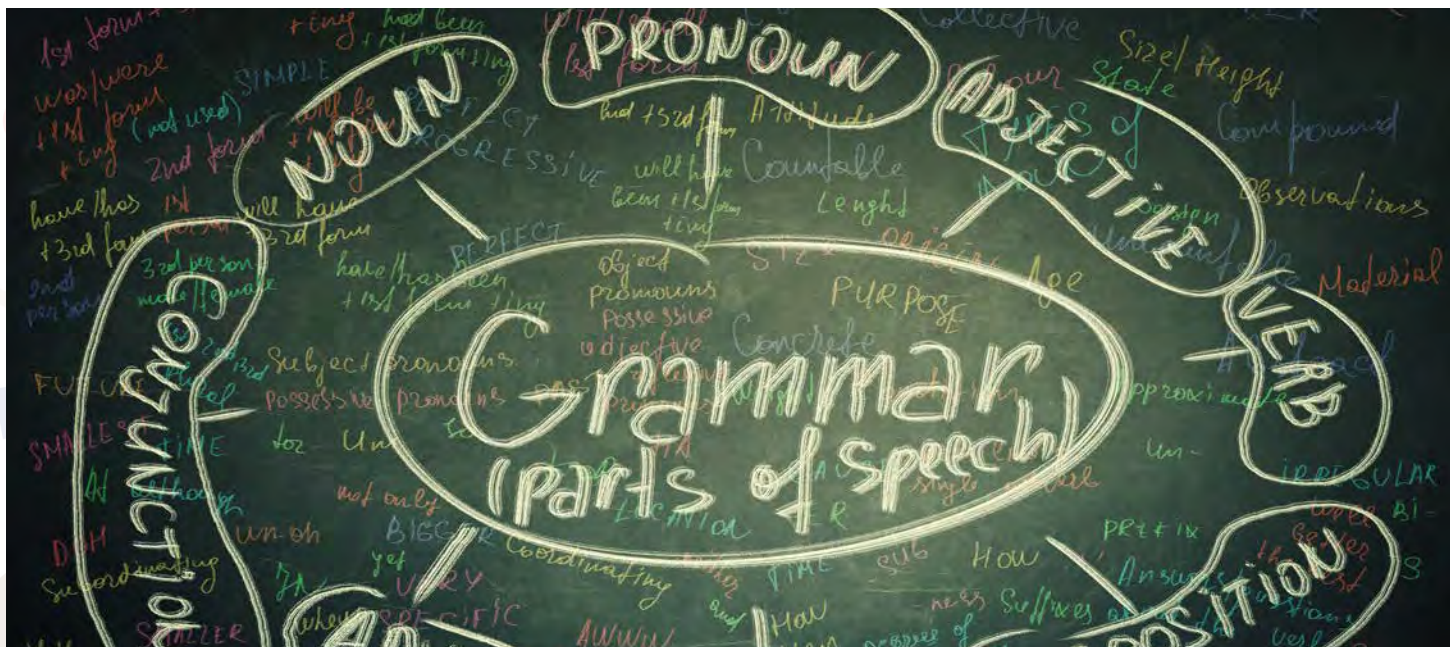
Please note that a high IELTS score will NOT result in a more competitive application. However, in view of a few scholarships a minimum IELTS score is required in order to competitively apply for the award. At the same time, you do not need to worry about a lower level of English language proficiency either because if you do not yet meet the direct entry requirements set by institutions, you will be provided with an opportunity to first improve your English language skills before starting your undergraduate degree with a pre-session course, within a maximum period of time as per the terms and conditions that apply to you.

10. BY WHEN SHOULD I TAKE AN ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEST?

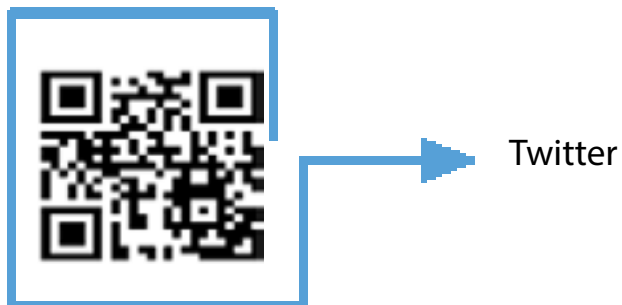
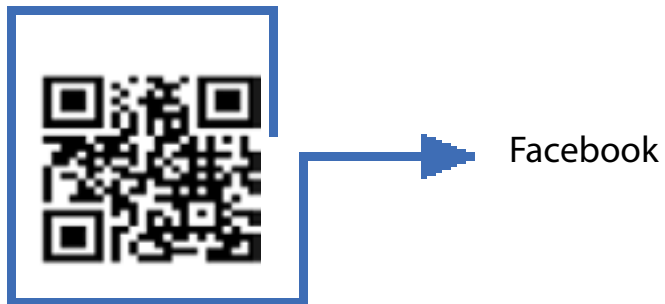
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11. WHERE CAN I TAKE AN IELTS FOR UKVI TEST? HOW DO I PREPARE FOR THIS TEST? HOW MUCH DOES A TEST COST?


Please refer to the British Council and IDP as they are currently the only two IELTS for UKVI Academic test providers in the Sultanate.



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