

Mahapola Scholarships Selection Criteria

(Effective from Academic Year 2016/2017)

Mahapola Scholarships are awarded to students of the Open University of Sri Lanka by the "Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund" to the value of Rs. 8,000/- each towards the payment of tuition fees of courses.

Eligibility Criteria for the Award of Mahapola Scholarship

- In the previous academic year the student should have been registered for courses at **Level four or above** in an **undergraduate programme**
- Student should not be employed or engaged in any other higher educational study
- Student should not have exceeded the age of 30 years on the date of selection
Student should have sat and attained a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 in the final examinations of courses adding up to a total of at least 15 credits at the particular Level in the previous academic year.
- Only courses considered for the final award of the programme will be taken for the calculation of GPA for the scholarship.
- Parental income ceiling should be less than or equal to Rs, 300,000/- with the relevant concessions per annum added to the income ceiling, as specified by the U.G.C.
- Current concessions applicable: Rs. 24,000/- per annum per school going sister/brother who is 18 years or under, up to a maximum of three children and Rs. 36,000/- concession per annum per sister/brother following a course in a university but not in receipt of a Mahapola scholarship or a Bursary)
- Students will be required to provide a letter from a **Grama Sevaka** to certify the annual parental income.
- No disciplinary action should have been taken against the students.

Notes

- The scholarships payments will be made in two installments. The second installment will be paid only if the conduct and academic performance of the student are satisfactory.
- Mahapola Scholarship shall be awarded only once to a student.
- Students shall be selected based on an application made by them on the basis of Merit and Need
- an approved number of Mahapola Scholarships are awarded annually to students in the order of merit from among those eligible.
- The University from time to time may make necessary amendments to the criteria while abiding by the guidelines proposed in this document.

Incomplete and illegible applications will be rejected without any enquiry.

Students are requested to hand over/post the application to the Student Welfare Division on or before two weeks.

Return address: - Senior Assistant Registrar
Student Affairs & Welfare Division
The Open University of Sri Lanka
PO Box 21, Nawala
Nugegoda

Note: Please fill all cages correctly. Incomplete forms will not be considered.

MAHAPOLA HIGHER EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Secretary,

Mahapola Higher Education Scholarship Trust Fund,

Through; Vice Chancellor, The Open University of Sri Lanka

01. Name in Full :

02. Name with Initials:

03. Female/Male:

04. Date of Birth :

05. Specimen Signature:

06. Course:

07. Academic Year of Admission:
Present Course Level:

08. Registered Number:

Contact no:

09. District:
(Student Registered in the Open University)

Electorate:

10. Divisional Secretariat:

Closer Town:

11. Permanent Address:

12. G.C.E.(A/L) Index No:

Year:

Marks:

13. National Identity Card No:

14. According to conditions for the Mahapola Trust fund, I
..... (Write "Accept or do not
accept" the Mahapola Scholarship)

I certify that the above information is correct. I am following the above course. No employments or no income from income generation activities belongs to my family, since financial assistance is required for my above – mentioned studies.

Yours faithfully,

Scholarship Recipient's Signature

Date