



SUMMIT UNIVERSITY, OFFA SCHOLARSHIP PROCESS AND POLICY DOCUMENT

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

Summit University, Offa, was established as a leading institution of higher learning in Nigeria, has consistently aimed to provide quality education while nurturing the intellectual, moral, and social development of its students. The University is committed to providing an enabling domain with the vision to cultivate a learning environment that bridges the gap between traditional academic disciplines and the emerging needs of a rapidly changing world. Since its inception, Summit University, Offa has grown to become a centre of excellence, particularly in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields which are critical to the nation's development in the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

Summit University, Offa has been at the forefront of innovation in education with a commitment to producing graduates who are not only well-versed in their chosen fields but also equipped with the skills necessary to drive technological advancements. The University's dedication to academic excellence is reflected in its state-of-the-art facilities, highly qualified faculty, and a curriculum that is constantly updated to meet global standards.

Recognizing the importance of supporting talented students in achieving their educational goals, Summit University, Offa has established a scholarship programme specifically aimed at promoting STEM education.

This scholarship is designed to cover tuition and accommodation fees either partially or fully for students pursuing undergraduate bachelor's degrees in disciplines that are pivotal to the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

The fields of study eligible for this scholarship include Mechatronics Engineering, Computer Engineering, Communication Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Cyber-security, Software Engineering, Data Science, and Information Technology.

2.0 SUMMIT UNIVERSITY, OFFA SCHOLARSHIP OBJECTIVES, SCOPE AND ELIGIBILITY

2.1 OBJECTIVES

The primary objective of the Summit University, Offa Scholarship is to support the academic and professional growth of talented students in STEM-related fields. By providing financial assistance, the scholarship aims to enable students to focus on their studies without the burden of financial constraints, thereby fostering innovation, creativity, and excellence in areas crucial to the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

The outlined objectives for the Summit University, Offa STEM Scholarship Programme include:

- i. **Promote Excellence in STEM Education:** Encourage and support high-achieving students to pursue undergraduate degrees in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields critical to national development.
- ii. **Enhance Technological Competence:** Equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary to drive technological innovation and contribute to the Fourth Industrial Revolution.
- iii. **Increase Access to Quality Education:** Provide financial assistance through scholarships to deserving students, enabling them to access quality education in specialized fields without the burden of tuition and accommodation costs.
- iv. **Support National Development:** Develop a skilled workforce in STEM disciplines essential for advancing Nigeria's development goals, particularly in areas like Cyber-security, Software Engineering, and Data Science.
- v. **Foster Inclusivity in STEM Fields:** Encourage a diverse range of students, including those from underrepresented communities, to pursue careers in STEM, ensuring a more inclusive and equitable technological future.
- vi. **Promote Academic and Research Excellence:** Support students who demonstrate academic excellence and a strong potential for research in STEM, contributing to the University's mission of becoming a center of excellence in education and innovation.

2.2 SCOPE

The scholarship is designed to offer both partial and full coverage of tuition and accommodation fees for the duration of the undergraduate programmes at Summit University, Offa.

The scholarship is exclusively available to students enrolled in the following STEM disciplines:

- i. Mechatronics Engineering
- ii. Computer Engineering
- iii. Communication Engineering
- iv. Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- v. Cyber Security
- vi. Software Engineering
- vii. Data Science
- viii. Information Technology

The focus on these fields underscores the University's commitment to equipping students with the skills necessary to contribute meaningfully to technological advancements and the broader economic development of Nigeria.

2.3 ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

The eligibility criteria for the Summit University, Offa Scholarship have been carefully crafted to ensure that the most deserving candidates benefit from this opportunity.

To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- i. **Nigerian Citizenship:** Applicants must be citizens of Nigeria.
- ii. **JAMB Registration:** Joint Admission and Matriculation Board JAMB's 2024 registration for an undergraduate programme in one of the eligible STEM fields.
- iii. **Change of Institution:** Change of institution to Summit University, Offa will be required only after successful award of scholarship.
- iv. **Academic Qualifications:** A minimum of five credits in WAEC/NECO including Mathematics, English and three other relevant subjects is required.
- v. **UTME Score:** Applicants must have scored a minimum of 150 in the Unified Tertiary Matriculation Examination (UTME).
- vi. **Academic Performance:** Strong academic performance in scholarship examination is essential for consideration and type of scholarship to be awarded.

3.0 APPLICATION PROCESS

The application process is designed to evaluate the applicant's academic achievements and personal aspirations, ensuring a holistic assessment of each candidate.

Applicants must complete the online scholarship application form available on the University's official website via <https://summituniversity.edu.ng/scholarship/> and start the process.

3.1 SELECTION PROCESS

The selection process will ensure that the scholarship is awarded to students who demonstrate both academic potential and a genuine commitment to their field of study. The process is rigorous and is designed to identify the most promising candidates. The selection process is as follows:

- i. **Initial Review:** The Scholarship Committee will review all applications based on academic merit.
- ii. **Shortlisting:** Candidates who meet the initial criteria will be shortlisted for further evaluation, such as written examination.
- iii. **Scholarship Assessment Test:** The Scholarship Assessment Test will take place at
 - a. Offa, Kwara State;
 - b. Abeokuta, Ogun State;
 - c. Surulere, Lagos, Lagos State;
 - d. Maitama, Abuja.
- iv. **The Test:** The test questions will span across General Mathematics, Basic English and General Knowledge including knowledge of Information and Communication Technology.
- v. **Final Selection:** The final selection will be based on the candidate's performance during the assessment, as well as their overall application.

3.2 AWARD DISBURSEMENT

The disbursement of the scholarship funds is handled with transparency and accountability to ensure that the recipients benefit fully from the award. The process includes:

- i. **Direct Disbursement:** The scholarship will be disbursed directly to Summit University, Offa, on behalf of the successful candidates.
- ii. **Application of Funds:** The funds will be applied towards tuition and accommodation fees at the beginning of each academic session as awarded to the candidate.
- iii. **Partial Scholarships:** For recipients of partial scholarships, fifty percent (50%), Twenty-Five percent(25%) of tuition fees will be covered by the scholarship and the student(s) will be responsible for covering the remaining fees. Refer to Table I in respect to the breakdown of school fees and the amount to be covered by candidate after scholarship award.

3.3 SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL

The renewal process is designed to encourage continuous academic excellence and good behavior among scholarship recipients. The undergraduate scholarship at Summit University, Offa is renewable on an annual basis subject to the following conditions:

- i. **Academic Performance:** Recipients of the scholarship must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50 every semester to be eligible for renewal.
- ii. **Good Conduct:** Recipients must demonstrate good conduct and adhere to the University's code of conduct.

3.4 TERMINATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship may be terminated under some circumstances. These provisions ensure that the scholarship is awarded to students who remain committed to their academic and personal development. The circumstances are:

- i. **Academic Failure:** If the recipient fails to maintain the required academic standards every semester, the scholarship may be revoked.
- ii. **Misconduct:** Engaging in any form of misconduct or violating University regulations can lead to the termination of the scholarship.
- iii. **Withdrawal or Transfer:** If the recipient withdraws from the eligible course or transfers to a non-STEM programme, the scholarship will be terminated.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Scholarship recipients are expected to fulfill certain responsibilities. These responsibilities aim to cultivate a sense of community and leadership among scholarship recipients, including:

- i. **Participation in University Activities:** Recipients must actively participate in University's activities and contribute to the academic community.
- ii. **Ambassadorship:** Recipients are expected to serve as ambassadors for the scholarship programme and the University, promoting STEM education and the importance of the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

4.1 MONITORING AND EVALUATION

The monitoring and evaluation process is crucial for assessing the effectiveness of the scholarship programme and making necessary improvements. The Scholarship Committee will regularly monitor the progress of scholarship recipients through the following means:

- i. **Academic Monitoring:** The academic performance and conduct of recipients will be reviewed regularly to ensure compliance with the scholarship requirements.
- ii. **Semester Report:** Every semester report detailing the impact of the scholarship on the recipients and the University will be submitted to the University administration.

5.0 CONCLUSION

Summit University, Offa is committed to fostering a generation of leaders who will drive innovation and development in Nigeria and beyond. By offering both partial and full scholarships to deserving students in critical STEM fields, the University not only alleviates the financial burden on talented individuals but also contributes to the nation's technological advancement. This policy document reaffirms our dedication to transparency, fairness, and academic excellence in the selection and support of scholarship recipients.

TABLE I: BREAKDOWN OF SCHOOL FEES

DESCRIPTION	100 % Scholarship	50 % Scholarship	25 % Scholarship
Tuition fee to be covered by the Scholarship	=N=578,000	=N=289,000:00	=N=144,500:00
Tuition fee to be covered by the student (Beneficiary)	0	=N=289,000:00	=N=433,500:00

TABLE Ib: BREAKDOWN OF HOSTEL FEES

DESCRIPTION	MALE	FEMALE
Hostel Fee	90,000	100,000

Other charges to be covered by the student or beneficiary amount to **₦75,000**, which includes a Parent Forum fee of ₦10,000, a Maintenance Fee of ₦15,000, and an Admission Acceptance Fee of ₦50,000.

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