

To apply for the **Pradhan Mantri Uchchatar Shiksha Protsahan (PM-USP) Central** Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students, you can follow these steps:

1. Go to the National Scholarships Portal (NSP)
<https://scholarships.gov.in/>
2. Log in with your Aadhaar or OTR number
3. Select your domicile state and the “Post-Matric” option
4. Generate an Application ID
5. Fill in your general information, category, and academic details
6. Select the “PM-USP Central Sector Scheme of Scholarship for College and University Students”
7. Upload the required documents
8. Submit the application form
The NSP will provide information on when the portal is open and closed.

Eligibility

- Students who were in the top 20 percentile in higher secondary from their state board
 - Students with an annual family income of up to Rs. 4.5 lakhs
- #### Application verification
- The student's credentials, such as caste and educational qualifications, are verified using the DIGILOCKER facility
 - The application is verified at two levels: by the student's institute and by the state Higher Education Department

Benefits

Rate of Scholarship

- ₹12,000/-per annum at the Graduation level for the first three years of College and University courses.
- ₹20,000 per annum at the Post-graduation level.
- ₹20,000/-per annum in the 4th and 5th year to the Students pursuing professional courses, in case, where the duration of the course is five (5) years/Integrated course.
- Students pursuing technical courses such as B.Tech, B.Engg. will get scholarship up to graduation level only i.e. ₹12,000 p.a. for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd year and ₹20,000 in the 4th year.

Mode of Disbursal

The scholarship will be disbursed directly into the savings bank accounts of the beneficiaries through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT).