

CHANCELLOR'S MERIT SCHOLARSHIP – JANUARY 2009 SEMESTER FOR CONTINUING STUDENTS OF WAWASAN OPEN UNIVERSITY

PREAMBLE

Wawasan Open University is providing Chancellor's Merit Scholarship to deserving students who wish to continue their studies but are financially constrained.

This Chancellor's Merit Scholarship scheme is strictly to encourage continuing students who have demonstrated excellent academic performance in the semester results but are inhibited to proceed to the next semester due to financial burdens. This scheme will provide the incentive for such students to further their studies with Wawasan Open University.

As such, we hope to encourage brilliant students to proceed smoothly with their aspirations without worries of financial consequences.

THE AWARD

- Continuing students who are successful in their application for Chancellor's Merit Scholarship will be offered full reimbursement of the Tuition Fees ONLY for Degree level courses enrolled for the new semester (up to a maximum of 3 courses or 15 credits whichever is lower)
 - The university reserves the right to provide support for less than fifteen (15) credit hours depending on its assessment of an applicant's academic preparedness.
- The award is NOT automatically renewable for subsequent semesters and reapplication is required

WHO CAN APPLY?

Candidates must satisfy the following requirements:

- Malaysian Citizens
- CONTINUING STUDENTS undertaking the degree programmes of Wawasan Open University who are re-enrolling for the New Semester
- (i) Degree students who have achieved a minimum threshold Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.33 and above in the earlier semester examination results, having taken a minimum of 3 courses or
 - (ii) HeadStart students who have passed the HeadStart programme.



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- If single, Gross Personal Income of NOT MORE than RM3,000 per month or RM 36,000 per annum
- If married, Gross Family Income of NOT MORE than RM 4,000 per month or RM 48,000 per annum
- Provide clear proof and evidence to support income declaration or unemployment declaration

Note:

Fulfillment of minimum requirements DOES NOT GUARANTEE successful award of Chancellor's Merit Scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY?

Chancellor's Merit Scholarship Application Form is available at all Wawasan Open University Regional Offices or can be downloaded from the student portal at http://my.wou.edu.my

WHERE TO APPLY?

Completed Chancellor's Merit Scholarship Application Form must be submitted to:

Any Regional Offices of Wawasan Open University

WHEN TO APPLY?

- Examination results with GPA/CGPA for the July 2008 Semester examinations are scheduled to be announced on 22 January 2009.
- Closing date for scholarship applications is on 15 February 2009.
- Late applications will not be entertained.

WHEN WILL THE RESULTS OF THE CHANCELLOR'S MERIT SCHOLARSHIP BE ANNOUNCED?

Results of the Chancellor's Merit Scholarship applications are scheduled to be announced on **13 March 2009**.



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TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1. The Chancellor's Merit Scholarship is offered to CONTINUING STUDENTS of Wawasan Open University only.
- 2. The Chancellor's Merit Scholarship awarded is only for tuition fees for Degree Program Courses (up to a maximum of 3 courses or 15 credits whichever is lower) offered in the new semester at Wawasan Open University.
- 3. The processing & administrative fee of RM50 (only for HeadStart students progressing to Degree programmes) and the resource and services fee of RM150 (for all students) must be borne by the applicant.
- 4. Applicants are required to pay their tuition fees prior to applying for the Chancellor's Merit Scholarship. Tuition fees (not exceeding 15 credits) registered by students will be reimbursed to all successful applicants.
- 5. Chancellor's Merit Scholarship awarded but not used for the semester cannot be retained or carried forward to subsequent semesters by the student and shall therefore be deemed to be forfeited.
- 6. This Chancellor's Merit Scholarship is a "one-time" assistance valid for the semester in which it is offered and it is not renewable for subsequent semesters.
- 7. Chancellor's Merit Scholarship is awarded in accordance to the established criteria and the decision of the University is final.
- 8. Chancellor's Merit Scholarship is neither transferable nor exchangeable for cash.
- 9. Chancellor's Merit Scholarship awarded is subject to the availability of funds.
- 10. The University reserves the right to revoke the Chancellor's Merit Scholarship if the student fails to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the University or if falsified information is found to be furnished by the applicant to manipulate the outcome of the award.
- 11. The Chancellor's Merit Scholarship Award Committee reserves the right to offer full or part of the tuition fees as it deem appropriate.

CRITERIA OF SELECTION

- Achieved a minimum threshold Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.33 and above in the earlier Semester examination results, having taken a minimum of 3 courses or passed the HeadStart programme with satisfactory results as stipulated by the University.
- If single, Gross Personal Income of NOT MORE than RM3,000 per month or RM 36,000 per annum
- If married, Gross Family Income of NOT MORE than RM 4,000 per month or RM 48.000 per annum

If demand exceeds the allocated fund then eligible candidates are:

- 1. First ranked by academic achievement (eg. GPA) and then
- 2. Ranked by means (income)