

## 6.I.1 Grants and Financial Aid

<b>Subject</b>	Students	<b>Effective From</b>	Sep - 2011
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<b>Title of The Policy</b>	Grants and Financial Aid	<b>Next Review</b>	Dec - 2024
<b>Responsible Entity</b>	Scholarships and Humanitarian Aid Committee	<b>Policy Pages</b>	3
<b>Definitions</b>	<b>AAU:</b> Al Ain University		
<b>Purpose</b>	The purpose of the Grants and Financial Aid fund is to offer financial incentives to students who excel academically or in extracurricular activities. The University also provides humanitarian assistance to students who have harsh financial conditions preventing them from completing their undergraduate studies.		
<b>Scope</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic Grants.</li> <li>• Humanitarian Aid Grants.</li> </ul>		
<b>Statement</b>	The AAU offers grants and financial support to for different reasons. Recognizing “A” students or active students, helping in need students, and awarding students for their research activities.		
<b>Procedures</b>	<p><b>First: Academic Grants</b></p> <p><b>1. The University offers grants to the General Secondary School students according to the following criteria:</b></p> <p>a. The top five students in the country are offered a full grant;</p> <p>b. Students who achieve a grade average of 98% or above in the General Secondary School, in either the literary or scientific streams, are offered a grant that is equivalent to a 40% discount of the credit hours’ fees in the first semester they register at AAU.</p> <p>c. Students who achieve a grade average between 94% - 97.9% in the General Secondary School, in either the literary or scientific streams, are offered a grant equivalent to a 30% discount of the credit hours’ fees in the first semester they register at AAU.</p> <p>d. Students who achieve a grade average between 90% - 93.9% in the General Secondary School, in either the literary or scientific streams, are offered a grant equivalent to a 20% discount of the credit hours’ fees in the first semester they register at AAU.</p> <p><b>2. The University offers academic excellence grant of 40% discount for University’s honor list and 30% of the College’s honor list from the fees of the credit hours upon successfully completing a minimum of 15 credit hours in the first or second semester with a SGPA of at least 3.6, noting that this semester average is for the actually registered credit hours (15 hours), the number of credit hours for the courses whose mark is transferred to passing / failing when calculating the deduction of the academic excellence grant will not be taken into account according to the terms of this grant.</b></p> <p><b>3. The University offers grants to the siblings and relatives of currently enrolled students as per the following:</b></p> <p>a. With the exception of the first student, each of the student’s siblings who register in each semester are offered a grant equivalent to a 20% discount of the credit hour fees.</p>		

- b. Parents, sons and daughters, and spouses, registered in each semester are treated as siblings.
4. The University offers grants to students when the father (or their primary provider) passes away during their University studies. This grant is 50% of the student's tuition fees, and continues until the student is graduated by AAU. The following rules govern this type of grant:
- An attested death certificate shall be submitted;
  - The student has not been awarded another scholarship from any other official party;
  - The student will benefit from this grant in the semester following the submission of the relevant death certificate;
  - The student does not have other resources which enable him/her to continue his/her university studies.
5. The University offers the sons and daughters of the university's academic and administrative staff, grants up to the value of 50% of the credit hour fees, with the exception of graduate students.
6. The University offers the siblings of the university's academic and administrative staff, grants up to the value of 20 % of the credit hour fees, with the exception of graduate students.
7. The university offers a discount for master's programs (postgraduate studies) according to the following categories:
- University graduates: 15% discount is granted to university graduates in the first semester of enrollment, and for this discount to continue, they must register at least 6 credit hours and maintain a cumulative GPA of no less than 3).
  - Students with Academic Excellence in Bachelor Degree: 10% discount is granted to a bachelor's degree holder whom have awarded a minimum GPA of 3.6 in their bachelor degree. This discount is applied to students starting from the first semester 2022/2023.
8. Fazaa card holders: New students registered for a bachelor's degree starting from the academic year 2022/2023 are granted a Fazaa card discount with 20% discount from the credit hour fees for some specializations offered at the university according to the conditions announced in this regard.
9. The University offers scholarships for one semester for outstanding students in extracurricular activities.
10. The University offers 50% discount on tuition fees whithin the regular semesters (except summer semesters) for students with special needs (people of determination).

### **Second: Humanitarian Aid Grants**

- The University offers grants for one semester for students who cannot afford to pursue their studies.
- Based on the recommendation of the Deans' Council at the beginning of each academic year, AAU president forms a committee entitled "The Grants and Financial Aid Committee". This committee is responsible for making decisions regarding humanitarian financial aids granted to students.

### **Grants Regulations**

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. These grants are given on the undergraduate level only.</li> <li>2. Grants cover only the first and second semester credit hours' fees.</li> <li>3. Applications for humanitarian aids should be submitted to the Deanship of Student Affairs at the beginning of each semester (first and second only).</li> <li>4. The minimum CGPA for the continuation of financial aid grants, except the General Secondary and Academic Excellence grants, is 2.5.</li> <li>5. Grants and discounts do not apply to English Language Levels, registration fees, or extracurricular activities fees.</li> <li>6. Grants and discounts do not apply to students funded or sponsored by other parties</li> <li>7. A student is entitled to one grant at a time. In case a student qualifies for two grants, he/she shall receive that which is higher.</li> <li>8. Grants do not apply to repeated courses.</li> <li>9. Any financial obligations should be paid on time.</li> <li>10. The student shall not receive a grant for a semester in which he/she has received an academic warning.</li> <li>11. If the student receives a disciplinary punishment, he/ she is not entitled to apply for a humanitarian aid grant in the following semester</li> <li>. 12. Grants and discounts are not given backdated.</li> <li>13. Grants and discounts do not apply for the summer semesters.</li> <li>14. A student receiving a grant cannot postpone studying for the duration of the grant.</li> <li>15. A student receiving a grant is expected to be exemplary in terms of abiding by the AAU Student Code of Conduct.</li> </ol> <p><b><u>Procedures for applying for a grant of humanitarian aid</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fill in the student form "Request for Humanitarian Aid" available at the Deanship of Student Affairs</li> <li>2. Submit the request by explaining the social situation in detail</li> <li>3. Submit documents which verify a student's case</li> <li>4. Submit a copy of the passport</li> <li>5. Provide recent grade transcripts</li> </ol>
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