A student from the suburbs of Pakistan does not have the same chances of getting into a good university as one who has been to a private school in a metropolitan city. The LUMS National Outreach Programme (NOP) mitigates this difference.

NOP is a prestigious scholarship focusing on identifying meritorious students with exceptional academic records and inducting them into the LUMS Undergraduate Programmes. Launched in 2001, to extend the benefits of a world-class education to talented students who are constrained by financial circumstances and belonging to far and remote locations across Pakistan, the NOP scholarship does not differentiate on colour, caste or creed. It targets underprivileged, bright students to transform and transcend communities.

LUMS NOP aims to produce future leaders who will return to their communities as positive change agents. The progressive impact of the LUMS education acquired by the NOP scholars trickles down not only to their families but also to the communities they belong to. To date LUMS has inducted approximately 1,200 NOP students, of which around 540 have graduated. Those who have graduated are not in the world pursuing their dreams and helping their families and communities.

Students who are selected through this Programme receive complete financial assistance covering their four years of tuition fees, accommodation expenses, books and travel costs. As a result, inducted NOP students are free to focus all their attention towards their academics.

LUMS is very proud of its NOP scholars for their achievements. The success stories are uncountable. A lot of our NOP scholars have joined civil services, many scholars have gone to pursue higher studies abroad, while some are working in leading institutions of the world and some are running their own start-ups. NOP graduates have also received international scholarships, such as Fulbright, Erasmus Mundus and University of Paris scholarships.

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The process:
- The NOP team visits schools and colleges in various cities, towns and villages across Pakistan to introduce the LUMS National Outreach Programme.
- Students submit their online applications for the NOP Summer Coaching Session; shortlisted students are invited to LUMS in the summer for a rigorous, 2-week preparatory session and to experience university life.
- Students hoping to attain the NOP scholarship apply for admission at LUMS along with other regular students.
- Students take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) which is funded by the NOP Centre.
- Based on the financial need assessment, admitted students are offered a fully funded scholarship for the LUMS Undergraduate Programmes.

NOP Summer Coaching Session Eligibility Criteria:
- At least 80% marks in Matric or equivalent in O Levels
- Assessed financial need

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Financial Support includes Loans, Merit Scholarships, Need-based Tuition Fee Waivers, Application Processing Fee Waivers, Testing Fee Refunds and NOP Scholarships.

LUMS admissions are independent of your ability to afford tuition fee. The University offers financial support for all students. Additionally, LUMS offers 100% scholarship to all PhD students. Since inception, LUMS has disbursed PKR 4.7 Billion in Financial Support and approximately 35% of the student body receives some financial assistance each year. During the academic year 2017-18, PKR 871 Million was disbursed as Financial Support for Outreach Programme students inducted since its inception.

The following scholarships are available to 3,000+ nationals (excluding Pakistan):
- Shahid Hussain Foundation Scholarship
- LUMS Interest Free Loans
- Need-based Tuition Fee Waivers

The following scholarships are available to 500+ students:
- Merit Scholarships
- External Scholarships
- Women Scholarship for MBA and EMBA Programs

The following scholarships are available to 100+ students:
- National Outreach Programme Scholarship
- HEC Research Grants

The following scholarships are available to 50+ students:
- Loan (SPL) for MBA and EMBA Programs
- Partial Tuition Fee Waivers for MS students (Basic Sciences and Mathematics)
- External Scholarships* (if available)

Types of Financial Support

**MERIT IS THE ONLY CRITERIA**

LUMS adherence to merit as the sole criteria in its decision-making. This applies to admission and evaluation of students. The diversity of the student body is a core aim of the University. Both local and international talent is encouraged to apply and LUMS offers attractive scholarships to bright international students at both the Undergraduate and Graduate levels.

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT ROAD MAP**

1. Apply through LUMS Online Admission Application.
2. Submit the complete application including the financial aid section through a Letter of Financial Arrangement.
3. Submit all required supporting documents.
5. Applicants provide consent to visiting the beneficiary’s home/business premises at any given point in time.
6. The financial aid application has NO bearing on the admission decision. Independent financial aid applications will not be considered if not submitted with the LUMS Online Admission Application.
7. Financial aid is granted on similar principle as LUMS, i.e. no discrimination on the basis of race, colour, religion, gender, marital or parental status, national origin, ancestry or age.
8. LUMS reserves the right to physically verify the beneficiary’s home/business premises at any given point in time.
9. LUMS reserves the right to terminate the awarded financial aid in view of misrepresentation, termination from the programme.
10. The University reserves the right to change the Financial Aid Policy at any given point in time.