2020-21 RISHI SHUKLA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

Rishi Shukla Memorial Scholarship Grant (RSM Scholarship) is awarded by MMM Alumni Scholarship Fund (MMMAS Fund; details below). It was instituted in 2012, MMMEC's (now MMMUT) Golden Jubilee Year. The current year 2020-21 marks the 9th year of running this scholarship.

RSM scholarship is established in memory of Rishi Shukla, a 1989 batch alumnus from the Electrical Engineering Department of then MMMEC. It aims to promote development of well-rounded abilities and principles-based value system early in life – two things that Rishi cherished a lot and exemplified for the rest of us.

For the year 2020-21, RSM Scholarship will pay **TWO** scholarship awards of **Rupees 50,000 and Rupees 30,000** respectively to two top scoring students per the process described below.

Only Fourth Year students of a 4 year degree course being run at MMM University of Technology, Gorakhpur – 273010, UP, India (MMMUT) are eligible for this scholarship grant. The student can be from any branch of engineering. However, this scholarship is currently not open for any other courses being conducted at MMMUT, e. g. M.B.A., M.C.A., M. Tech. or Ph. D.

Eligibility Criteria

To qualify for RSM scholarship, the candidate needs to be –

1. A Full Time student of 4th Year of an Engineering course at MMMUT at the time of applying.
2. Has proven herself/himself as an All-Round achiever during the first 3 years of college.
3. Has a clearly articulated career vision for self and a good understanding of how to make it happen.

Selection Process

The selection process consists of 3 stages –

1. Evaluation of Application (50 points)
2. Two Personal Statements on Career Vision, Ethics & Values (25 points)
3. Telephone Interview (25 points)

During stages 2 and 3, only short-listed candidates from previous stages will be invited to participate. MMMAS Fund reserves the right to determine the number of candidates progressing from one stage to the next.

1. **Evaluation of Application (max 50 points)**. Each application received will be scored against the following evaluation criteria and assigned a total score out of 50 points.
    a. **Family Income (max 10 points)** – The points assigned will be determined based on the Annual Total Family Income of the candidate and the number of dependents living off that income.
    b. **Academic Performance during 10th and 12th classes (max 5 points) –** Aggregate of Marks/Grades obtained in 10th and 12th classes.
    c. **Academic Performance during B. Tech. (max 15 points) –** Average marks obtained in first 6 semesters of college (or 4 semesters in case of 2nd year lateral entry candidates).
    d. **Co-Curricular activities (max 20 points) –** The points for this category will be determined based on the performance in the following 2 categories **only during the years at MMMUT**:
        i. *Research / Publications / Project Work (max 10 points)*
        1 point (leading) or 0.5 point (supporting/team role) for each contribution - publication to a national/international journal, paper presented at national/international conference, National competition won, etc.

ii. ***Non-Technical Co-curricular Activities (max 10 points)***
0.5 point for participation OR 1 point for leading activities in cultural, literary, sports, clubs, committees, community service or any other fields.

2. **Personal Statements (25 points)**. ONLY a select number of top scoring candidates from Step 1 will be invited to participate in Step 2. Candidates selected for this round will need to write two personal statements (600 words maximum). The topics offered will vary from career goals, importance of Values & Ethics to topics of current interest. Each statement will be evaluated by more than one reviewer from an independent panel. The average of scores from all reviewers will be added to the total score from Step 1 to arrive at Step 2 Score for the short-listed candidates.

3. **Video Interview (25 points)**. A video interview will be conducted for **up to six** candidates with highest cumulative score from stages 1 and 2. This interview will be of 45 to 60 minutes and will be conducted via Zoom teleconference with one or more benefactors/patrons for RSM Scholarship.

Two winners will be decided based on the **cumulative score** from stages 1, 2 and 3 above. The benefactors reserve the right to grant any additional prizes based on the merit of individual cases.

Application Process

The applications are invited in the attached MS Excel format only.

Scanned copies of all the following documents are required to be submitted with the application.

1. **Income Certificate** for the family issued by a government authority
2. **Marks-sheet** for Class 10th
3. **Marks-sheet** for Class 12th
4. **Marks-sheets** for all 6 semesters at MMMUT
5. **A list** of all co-curricular activities claimed against category 1.d.i and 1.d.ii above
   (do NOT send copies of all certificates received)

All Applications need to be sent via email only to MMMAS.Fund@gmail.com. The email needs to contain **ONLY one .zip file** with the duly filled in application template and all supporting documents as listed above. Applications not following these guidelines or having incomplete information will be summarily rejected without an appeals process.

Application Timeline

The following are the dates to be followed for the academic year 2019-2020. I expect everyone to be respectful of due dates without reminders.

- 20 Apr   Start of Application Process
- 24 Apr   Zoom session to answer any questions about the scholarship and process
- **01 May   Completed Applications Due**
- 07 May   Announcement of Step 1 results
- **17 May   Personal Statements Due** from candidates selected for Step 2
- 24 May   Intimation to candidates short-listed for Final Interview round
- **25 May - 30 May Telephone Interviews**
- 31 May   Announcement of Winners
- TBD   Awards Presentations to Winners

<h1 align="center">About MMM Alumni Scholarship Fund (MMMAS Fund)</h1>

MMMAS Fund has been established with seed money provided by overseas alumni of MMMUT. The funds generated through MMMAS Fund will be used to award a variety of alumni funded scholarships in many fields to students of MMMUT over time. As the funding and outreach increases, more scholarships will be awarded by the fund. This year is the 9th year of operation for RSM Scholarship.

About Rishi Shukla

Rishi was born in 1966 in Alambagh area of Lucknow, the City of Nawabs. He was fifth in a family of 8 siblings.

As a proud recipient of the National Talent Scholarship, Rishi did his schooling till Class 12th at the prestigious Yadavindra Public School, Patiala. There he also picked his first love, the Urdu language. He developed a deep interest and understanding of Urdu poetry, particularly by Mirza Ghalib and Sahir Ludhianvi. His command over Urdu spilled over naturally to those who spent even a small amount of time with him. A lot of his friends and family owe their appreciation of ghazals and Urdu to him.

Being an expert at cracking the toughest competitive exams from the very beginning, getting to MMMUT was a piece of cake for him. Here, he studied Electrical Engineering from 1985 to 1989. He was sought for by his class fellows for his uncanny ability to explain the most complex concepts and problems with certain simplicity. He was always there to help others, even if it meant his not being able to complete his own studies.

Continuing his success story after graduation, he got selected for the Indian Engineering Services in his first attempt. But he will not settle for anything less than the Indian Telecom Services and therefore he got enrolled at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi for pursuing M. Tech. in Computer Science. By the end of 1992, he had completed his M. Tech. and also had secured himself a spot in the Indian Telecom Services through the IES examination.

He was serving as DGM (Networks) at BSNL, Lucknow when the cruel hands of fate snatched him away from all of us in 2008 after a protracted illness. His wife Sangeeta and son Uttkarsh (who himself graduated in Computer Engineering last year from VIT-Chennai) carry his message forward.

RSM Scholarship Grant Committee

Benefactors

1. Mukul Sharma, 1989 Computer Science, MMMEC
2. Sangeeta Shukla, wife of Rishi Shukla

Patrons

1. Sunil Kumar Verma, 1989 Electronics Engineering, MMMEC
2. Anirban Chakraborty, 1989 Electronics Engineering, MMMEC
3. Nehaa Shukla, Assistant Vice President, Axis Bank (Niece of Rishi Shukla)

Custodians at MMMUT

1. Vice Chancellor, MMMUT
2. Dean of Student Affairs, MMMUT
3. President, Malaviyan Alumni Association, MMMUT

Past Recipients of RSM Scholarship

2012-13
1. **1st Prize** (Rs. 40,000) – **Mansi Mittal**, Computer Science & Engineering
   Works as Software Developer at Booking.com in Netherlands. Worked for Tata Consultancy Services and Nagarro
2. **2nd Prize** (Rs. 10,000) – **Mrityunjai Pathak**, Electrical Engineering
   Works as Assistant Engineer at UP Power Corporation Limited
3. **Special Award** (Rs. 10,000) – **Ankita Lal**, Electrical Engineering
   MBA from IIM Indore; Works as Asst. Vice President at State Bank of India Corporate Office in Mumbai

2013-14
1. **1st Prize** (Rs. 70,000) – **Shrinkhla Yadav**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   Works for Tata Consultancy Services in Seattle, USA
2. **2nd Prize** (Rs. 20,000) – **Sachi Agrawal**, Electrical Engineering
   M. Tech. in Power Systems from IIT-Roorkee, Works as Assistant Engineer at UP Power Corporation Limited.
3. **Special Award** (Rs. 10,000) – **Esha Srivastava**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   MBA from IIT Delhi, currently works as a Manager at Amazon India, Bengaluru

2014-15
1. **1st Prize** (Rs. 70,000) – **Kajal Gupta**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   Works at Cloudgin, formerly at Tata Consultancy Services
2. **2nd Prize** (Rs. 20,000) – **Swapnil Chaturvedi**, Civil Engineering
3. **Special Award** (Rs. 10,000) – **Vishakha Nangia**, Computer Science & Engineering
   M.S. from University of Texas at Dallas. Works at Target in Bay Area, USA

2015-16
1. **1st Prize** (Rs. 50,000) – **Ankur Tripathi**, Computer Science & Engineering
2. **2nd Prize** (Rs. 30,000) – **Vareesh Pratap**, Mechanical Engineering
   Works at Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited
3. **Popular Choice** (Rs. 10,000) – **Monika Gupta**, Electrical Engineering
   Works as Senior Development Analyst at Accenture, formerly at Tata Consultancy Services

2016-17
1. **1st Prize** (Rs. 50,000) – **Vaishnav Dixit**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
2. **2nd Prize** (Rs. 30,000) – **Shubham Chand**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   Working as Software Engineer at Accenture, Gurugram
3. **Special Mention** (Rs. 10,000) – **Deeksha Sharma**, Electrical Engineering
4. **Special Mention** (Rs. 10,000) – **Mridula Singh**, Civil Engineering
   M. Tech. in Environmental Engineering from IIT Bombay

2017-18
1. **Gold Level** (Rs. 50,000) – **Ishita Shahi**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   M.S. from University of Maryland, USA. Works as Sytems Studies Engineer at Mitsubishi Electric Power Products
2. **Silver Level** (Rs. 30,000) – **Chirsmita Rana**, Computer Science & Engineering
   Working as Software Engineer at Pratishthan Software Ventures Pvt Ltd, Bengaluru
3. **Bronze Level** (Rs. 10,000) – **Divyany**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   MBA from IIM Ranchi, Works as LEAD (Leadership Enhancement and Development) Executive at Henkel

2018-19
1. **Gold Level** (Rs. 50,000) – **Shreya Mishra**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
   Pursuing Ph.D. at IIM Lucknow
2. **Silver Level** (Rs. 30,000) – **Abhya Tiwari**, Electronics & Communication Engineering
3. **Bronze Level** (Rs. 10,000) – **Nitesh Singh**, Mechanical Engineering
   Pursuing MBA from International Institute for Foreign Trade (IIFT)

2019-20
1. **Gold Level** (Rs. 50,000) – **Anju Tiwari**, Chemical Engineering
   Research Fellow at IIT Bombay
2. **Silver Level** (Rs. 30,000) – **Vineeta Singh**, Mechanical Engineering
3. **Bronze Level** (Rs. 10,000) – **Rishabh Singh**, Chemical Engineering