

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Is SLAS Online the same as Grants-in-Aid Program (GIAP)?**

No. The SLAS Online is a program to collect information needed to process applications to the GIAP and other learning assistance programs. The GIAP is just one of the financial assistance programs supported by the SLAS Online.

### **I am applying to GIAP. Do I need to submit documents to complete my application?**

The GIAP evaluates the need for financial support based on data submitted by the students in SLAS Online.

Should the student feel they need more support, they may file an appeal through the SLAS Online. Students may be asked to submit documents to the campus Scholarship and Financial Assistance units during the evaluation of appeals. These documents will be used to determine students' specific needs and support decisions of Scholarship and Financial Assistance units when granting financial and non-financial support to the applicant.

### **I am applying to donor-funded scholarship programs. How are applications evaluated?**

Applications are evaluated based on the Scholarship Rules that govern the selection of awardees and grantees. Scholars are determined based on the prioritization directive indicated in the donors' scholarship program and funds.

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In addition to SLAS Online inputs, applicants may be required to submit income information or other documents.

### **I am applying for Internet Gadgets and Internet Connection to support my studies. How are applications evaluated?**

SLAS Online is used to facilitate the processing of applications. Grantees of Gadgets and Internet Connection are determined based on the students' financial capacity, **connectivity situation, and connectivity options.**

### **Where do I send my application to the GIAP?**

Students applying for tuition subsidy and financial assistance from the GIAP must log in and fill out the forms in SLAS Online.

### **Where do I send my application to the TES?**

The SLAS Online is used to facilitate the processing of applications to TES. Students will be endorsed to the TES program of UniFAST based on students' information in the SLAS Online.

### **Who can apply for financial assistance through SLAS Online?**

In general, UP undergraduate students, including UP Med and Law students, can submit applications through SFA Online.

### **I can't log in using my UP Mail (e.g., jpdelacruz@up.edu.ph)?**

Contact your local Computer/IT Center. Be ready to present your latest Form 5 and UP ID for verification.

If you have an existing UP Mail account and you have never logged in to SFA Online, you need to contact the Student Financial Assistance Helpdesk on your campus to register your account.

### **Do I need to log in to SLAS Online to apply for Internet Connection and Gadget?**

**Yes. You must log in to indicate your intent to apply to any this learning assistance program in UP.**

### **Why does my UP Mail redirect me to Google/Gmail?**

UP Mail (e.g., jpdelacruz@up.edu.ph) is an email service available to all UP students, faculty, and staff. This email service is exclusively provided to UP for FREE by Google.

Your UP Mail account is linked to your SFA Online account. You are redirected to Google/Gmail to authenticate your account.

### **Can I apply for a scholarship? (from UPCA applicants/or new students)**

You may avail of scholarships once you are an admitted student of the University. An incoming freshman would be qualified for the Free Higher Education Grant under RA 10931. But in case you would be needing additional financial assistance, you may contact the Office of Student Affairs(OSA) or Office of Scholarships and Grants(OSG) in the campus you were admitted to so they can assist you on your scholarship application.

### **How can I apply for Iskolar ng Bayan scholarship?**

Below is a short description of how to apply for admission through the Iskolar ng Bayan Act in UP, as posted in this link

[https://upcollegeadmissions.up.edu.ph/htmls/aboutupcollegeadmissions.html#iskolarngbayan:](https://upcollegeadmissions.up.edu.ph/htmls/aboutupcollegeadmissions.html#iskolarngbayan)

If you are a Filipino public high school graduate in the Top Ten of your graduating class, you may apply for freshman automatic admission for SY 2022-2023, as provided by the Iskolar ng Bayan Law of 2014. The law also requires that you comply with other admission requirements of the university and enroll in a UP Campus that is in the same region as your high school.

- You are entitled to free tuition and other school fees for the first year of college.

- Application forms for the Iskolar ng Bayan program may be obtained from the Office of Student Affairs (OSA) or Office of Scholarships and Grants (OSG) of the campus you wish to enroll.
- There are limited slots per campus for the Iskolar ng Bayan Program.

We would advise that you check with the OSA/OSG of your preferred campus for announcements and the release of the updated guidelines for the Iskolar ng Bayan this incoming academic year.

\*highlighted in red might no longer be applicable by 2<sup>nd</sup> Sem