# **Scholarships Policy**

Miami Business Technological University (MBTU) offers a global scholarship program aimed to incentivize our students' personal and professional growth. These subsidies apply to all our programs, both undergraduate and graduate, and are based on two criteria:

- 1. Merit based.
- 2. Economic need based.

## **MBTU Scholarships**

(Applies to all Degree Seeking Programs):

- Continental Vision Scholarship (55%)
- International Scholarship (65%)
- Latin America Scholarships (68%)
- Florida Progress Scholarship (70%)
- Hispanic Future Scholarship (72%)
- Global Impulse Scholarship (73%)
- Student Commitment Scholarship (74.69%)
- Hispanic Pride Scholarship (75%)
- Educational Legacy Scholarship (76.50%)
- Entrepreneur Scholarship (79%)
- Mara Cabanilla Scholarship (80%)
- Path to Success Scholarship (81.67%)
- University Board Scholarship (83.33%)
- Academic Leadership Scholarship (83.80%)
- Academic Excellence Scholarship (84.95%)
- Comprehensive Excellence Scholarship (85%)
- Future Generation Scholarship (87.13%)
- Academic Horizon Scholarship (87.73%)
- Global Talent Scholarship (88%)
- American Dream Scholarship (89.00%)
- University Future Scholarship (89.33%)
- Cabanilla Foundation Scholarship (100%)

## Who may apply for a scholarship?

All regular students may apply if they comply with the requirements established by our institution.

## Requirements

- Submit an essay, indicating the need for the scholarship and the student's educational and professional goals.
- Submit the documentation that supports the scholarship application, in accordance with the criteria established in the scholarship evaluation rubric.

## **Scholarships Rubrics**

Merit Based Scholarship Rubric SCORE DESCRIPTORS

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REVIEW CRITERIA	4	3	2	1	POINTS AWARDED
Application is	Application is complete,	Application is complete,	Application is	Application is incomplete.	
Complete	accurate, proofed, and clear.	accurate, and clear.	complete.		
Essay	The response is aligned to the focus and requirements of the scholarship, clearly stated, proofed, and well supported.	The response is aligned to the focus and requirements of the scholarship and clearly stated.	The response is somewhat aligned to the focus and requirements of the scholarship.	The response is not aligned to the focus and requirements of the scholarship.	
Merits Outside of the Classroom Environment	Applicant demonstrates a deep and sustained commitment to one or more activities outside of the classroom environment. Applicant has held a leadership position and/or has been the recipient of honors or awards.	Applicant demonstrates a deep and sustained commitment to one or more activities outside of the classroom environment.	Applicant participated in at least one activity outside of the classroom environment.	Applicant did not participate in at least one activity outside of the classroom environment.	
Academic Performance	3.8- 4.0 GPA	3.0 – 3.79 GPA	2.0 – 2.9 GPA	GPA less than 2.0	
BONUS POINT		1	1	1	
TOTAL POINTS					

\*To be considered eligible for the awarding of a scholarship, applicants must obtain a minimum of 12 points out of a possible 16.

\*Additionally, 1 bonus point may be awarded if the applicant submits a letter of recommendation from someone who strongly endorses their candidacy and clearly and convincingly expresses the student's academic, personal, or professional potential. In this case, the total score could reach up to 17 points.

This threshold aims to ensure that scholarship recipients demonstrate solid academic, personal, and extracurricular performance in alignment with the goals of the program.

## **Economic Need-Based Scholarship Rubric**

## 1. Applicant's Basic Documentation

- Completed admission application
- Essay

• Applicant's medical history (optional), only in cases where an illness for the applicant or a first-degree relative is being justified.

## 2. Socioeconomic Situation

- · Family income below the minimum wage
- Lives in a rural or hard-to-reach area (optional)
- · Has dependents or individuals under their direct economic responsibility
- Convincing justification of financial need in the personal essay
- Medical history that limits their ability to generate income (if applicable)

\*To be considered eligible for the award of a scholarship based on economic need, applicants must meet at least one of the criteria outlined in the socioeconomic situation section.

\*Additionally, they must submit a letter of recommendation, both personal and professional in nature, that supports their profile, conduct, and academic commitment. This threshold is intended to ensure that scholarship recipients demonstrate strong academic, personal, and extracurricular performance in line with the goals of the program.

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Once the submitted documentation has been reviewed, the applicant will receive an official written notification with the Scholarship Committee's decision. At MBTU, we believe in expanding access to higher education opportunities. That's why our scholarship application process is designed to be accessible, transparent, and focused on recognizing the real needs of applicants. If you meet the basic requirements, you have a high probability of being awarded a scholarship.

#### **Approval Process**

1. The applicant must complete the admissions application including the essay. This information should be submitted to the Admissions Department. The information will be duly recorded in the applicant's file and forwarded to the corresponding department for evaluation.

2. The Scholarship Selection Committee oversees analyzing and makes a final decision regarding recipients. This committee is made up of the Academic Director, the CFO, the Institutional Relations Director and is chaired by the CEO, who holds the highest authority in the validation and approval of the scholarships awarded.

3. The Scholarship Selection Committee will decide within ten (10) days prior to the beginning of classes each academic period.

4. Scholars are to be selected on an objective and nondiscriminatory basis. The decision will be made based on criteria that involve prior academic performance; additional biographical information regarding an applicant's career, academic and other relevant experiences (i.e. artistic, cultural, scientific, sports related); financial need; and conclusions which the Scholarship Selection Committee may draw as to the applicant's motivation, character, ability, or potential from the interview.

5. Scholarships will be in a range of 55 to 100%.

6. The Scholarship Committee will notify its decision to the Admissions Coordinator, who will, in turn, communicate the resolution to the Student Services Coordinator. The latter will be responsible for informing applicants in writing of the final decision regarding their scholarship application.