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University Guide

Scholarships are closer to you

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This loan covers tuition, functional and research fees as well as aids and appliances for persons with disabilities and it can be got by filling in forms that are available at universities,



Scholarships have enabled many students to attain higher education. FILE PHOTO

through the education ministry website. <http://www.education.go.ug>; Higher Education Student's Financing Board (HESFB) website <https://www.hesfb.go.ug> or from any centenary bank branch.

In order to get this loan according to HESFB Act, an applicant is considered for funding on condition that they have

an admission to an accredited programme or course from a chartered university or recognized higher education institution, citizens of Uganda and demonstrate that they cannot afford the costs for higher education.

Besides, students are required to present copies of their university admission let-

ter, O' and A-level certificates, national ID, letter from the LC1 and a sketch map of their home area among others.

The payment of the loan is charged on the income of the person who received the loan, once he or she starts working.

Aga khan Foundation

This provides a limited num-

ber of postgraduates' scholarship each year to outstanding students from developing countries, who have no other means of financing their studies.

The scholarships are awarded on 50 per cent grant: 50 per cent loan basis through a competitive application process once a year and it assists students with tuition fees and living expenses only.

MasterCard Foundation Scholars programme

From 2012 to 2023, 1,000 academically bright but economically disadvantaged youth from Africa have been studying at Makerere University on scholarship after it entered a partnership with the Mastercard foundation.

The Mastercard scholarship offers comprehensive student support, that includes tuition and functional fees, laptop, books and other learning materials, accommodation, bedding and meals, medical insurance, stipend, transport to and from home, psychosocial and mentorship support and capacity building training in leadership, communication, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, gender and human rights.