



## Scholarships



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| <b>Scholarship Name 1:</b>   | <b>IDRBT Summer Internship Programme (ISIP) 2026</b>   |
| <b>Description:</b>          | IDRBT Summer Internship Programme (ISIP) 2026 is being offered by the Institute for Development and Research in Banking Technology (IDRBT). It is an opportunity for graduate and postgraduate students willing to undertake projects in the field of technology.  |
| <b>Eligibility:</b>          | Application is open to students, who are about to complete either of the following programs: postgraduate programs in technology or management (with a background in IT or related fields), or four-year undergraduate programs in IT and related domains.   |
| <b>Prizes &amp; Rewards:</b> | A monthly stipend of ₹14,000 with other benefits.  |
| <b>Last Date to Apply:</b>   | 15-04-2026   |
| <b>Application mode:</b>     | Online applications only   |
| <b>Short Url:</b>            | <a href="http://www.b4s.in/hans/IDS12">www.b4s.in/hans/IDS12</a>   |
| <b>QR Code:</b>              | <a href="https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/idrbt-summer-internship-programme-isip-20261775480352.png">https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/idrbt-summer-internship-programme-isip-20261775480352.png</a>  |
| <b>Scholarship Name 2:</b>   | <b>The Cadence/Invecas Scholarship program 2026-27</b>   |
| <b>Description:</b>          | The Cadence/Invecas Scholarship program 2026-27, launched by Cadence Design Systems and Concern India Foundation, supports underprivileged students in Delhi-NCR, Bangalore, Pune, Ahmedabad, and Hyderabad. Since 2016, it has empowered students in fields like B.Tech, MBBS, BDS, B.Pharma, and B.Sc., providing financial aid for educational expenses and career growth.  |
| <b>Eligibility:</b>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Have successfully passed 12th class with a minimum overall score of 80%. Pursuing 12th can also apply on the basis of their previous record.</li> <li>Comes from a lower-income group.</li> <li>Currently reside and study in Delhi NCR, Bangalore, Pune, Ahmedabad &amp; Hyderabad only. (Applications from outside these regions will not be considered.)</li> <li>STEM-related courses and females will be given preference. Selected students will receive financial support for key educational expenses.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Prizes &amp; Rewards:</b> | Selected students will receive financial support for key educational expenses.   |
| <b>Last Date to Apply:</b>   | 10-05-2026   |
| <b>Application mode:</b>     | Online applications only   |
| <b>Short Url:</b>            | <a href="http://www.b4s.in/hans/TCSP6">www.b4s.in/hans/TCSP6</a>   |
| <b>QR Code:</b>              | <a href="https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/the-cadence-invecas-scholarship-program-2026-271775480209.png">https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/the-cadence-invecas-scholarship-program-2026-271775480209.png</a>  |
| <b>Scholarship Name 3:</b>   | <b>SBI Youth for India Fellowship</b>  |
| <b>Description:</b>          | SBI Youth for India Fellowship is being offered by the State Bank of India (SBI) Foundation in partnership with various reputed NGOs to graduate students. It empowers graduates to tackle pressing rural developmental challenges by living and working alongside communities while promoting a transformative leadership journey.  |
| <b>Eligibility:</b>          | Application is open to citizens of India/Nepal/Bhutan or Overseas Citizens of India (OCI). Applicants must be between 21 and 32 years old as of the date of commencement of the program. They must have completed a Bachelor's degree before October 1, 2025.  |
| <b>Prizes &amp; Rewards:</b> | ₹16,000 monthly stipend and other benefits.  |
| <b>Last Date to Apply:</b>   | 30-04-2026   |
| <b>Application mode:</b>     | Online applications only   |
| <b>Short Url:</b>            | <a href="http://www.b4s.in/hans/SYFI5">www.b4s.in/hans/SYFI5</a>   |
| <b>QR Code:</b>              | <a href="https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/sbi-youth-for-india-fellowship1775480276.png">https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/sbi-youth-for-india-fellowship1775480276.png</a>  |
| <b>Scholarship Name 4:</b>   | <b>Masters' Union: Scholarship Aptitude Test 2026</b>  |
| <b>Description:</b>          | Masters' Union: Scholarship Aptitude Test 2026 is specifically designed for high-merit, high-potential candidates pursuing careers in Tech & Business Management, Psychology & Marketing, Finance & Economics, Design, Sustainability, Data Science & Artificial Intelligence by providing financial assistance and direct admission opportunities, along with tuition fee scholarships.   |
| <b>Eligibility:</b>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Applicants must be currently enrolled in Class 12 (any recognised education boards) or have completed it in 2025.</li> <li>Must be aiming to pursue a full-time undergraduate programme in Business Management, Technology, Leadership, Data Science &amp; AI, Design, Sustainability, Finance &amp; Economics, Marketing or related fields.</li> <li>Assessment Requirement: All applicants must appear for the Masters' Union Scholarship Aptitude Test (MUSAT) or qualify for an approved alternate test.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>programme:</b>            | Alternate Eligibility for Data Science & Artificial Intelligence   |
| <b>Note:</b>                 | • JEE percentile above 90%   |
| <b>Prizes &amp; Rewards:</b> | • MUSAT score above 35/45  |
| <b>Last Date to Apply:</b>   | • SAT score above 1500/1600  |
| <b>Application mode:</b>     | check Masters' Union official website to ensure accuracy on eligibility  |
| <b>Short Url:</b>            | Scholarships offering 10% to 80% tuition fee waivers   |
| <b>QR Code:</b>              | 13-05-2026   |
|                              | Online applications only   |
|                              | <a href="http://www.b4s.in/hans/MUSCASP1">www.b4s.in/hans/MUSCASP1</a>   |
|                              | <a href="https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/masters-union-scholarship-aptitude-test-20261773114910.png">https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/masters-union-scholarship-aptitude-test-20261773114910.png</a>  |
| <b>Scholarship Name 5:</b>   | <b>Kiran Pratibha Scholarship 2026</b>   |
| <b>Description:</b>          | The Kiran Pratibha Scholarship 2026 is being provided by the Kiran Foundation to highly talented underprivileged students, who have passed the 8th standard and are at least 14 years old.   |
| <b>Eligibility:</b>          | The application is open to students who have passed Class 8 and are at least 14 years old. Applicants must belong to a family with a monthly income not exceeding ₹20,000. They must not be receiving any other government scholarships.   |
| <b>Prizes &amp; Rewards:</b> | Tuition fee and other benefits.  |
| <b>Last Date to Apply:</b>   | 30-04-2026   |
| <b>Application mode:</b>     | Online applications only   |
| <b>Short Url:</b>            | <a href="http://www.b4s.in/hans/KRPS1">www.b4s.in/hans/KRPS1</a>   |
| <b>QR Code:</b>              | <a href="https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/20261773726816.png">https://d1e9eg0t055l3.cloudfront.net/static/images/scho-media/20261773726816.png</a>  |

## Why early career guidance matters for youth

Aligning passion with purpose, early career guidance can help students make informed choices and build a future-ready workforce



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"Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life." This timeless thought by Confucius continues to hold relevance, especially for young students stepping into an increasingly complex and evolving job market. Today, careers are no longer just about earning a livelihood—they are about purpose, fulfilment, and impact.

For India, with one of the world's youngest populations, this conversation is particularly important. Classrooms across the country are filled with potential, yet many students still face uncertainty when transitioning from education to employment. Career deci-

sions are often influenced by societal expectations rather than personal interests, with traditional fields like engineering, medicine, and civil services dominating choices.

However, the modern economy offers far more diverse opportunities—from technology and design to entrepreneurship and social sciences. Early career guidance plays a critical role in helping students navigate these options with clarity and confidence.

When introduced at the school level, career guidance helps students understand their strengths, interests, and aspirations. It encourages them to make choices based on self-awareness rather than external pressure. Exposure to different career

paths, through mentorship and real-world interactions, broadens their perspective and allows them to explore possibilities beyond conventional routes.

Schools can play a central role by integrating career guidance into the education system. Counselling sessions, aptitude assessments, and mentorship programmes can help students build clarity over time. Interactions with industry professionals, career fairs, and workshops on emerging fields such as artificial intelligence and sustainability can further expand their understanding of the evolving job landscape.

Equally important is the development of essential life skills. Communication, teamwork, problem-solving,



- **Self-awareness first:** Early guidance helps students identify strengths and interests.
- **Beyond traditional careers:** Exposure to diverse fields expands career possibilities.
- **Skill development matters:** Communication, critical thinking, and adaptability are essential.
- **Informed decision-making:** Guidance reduces confusion and societal pressure.
- **Stronger workforce:** Aligned careers lead to innovation, productivity, and national growth

and adaptability are now as critical as academic knowledge. Co-curricular activities—debates, sports, and creative pursuits—often serve as platforms where students discover hidden talents that can shape their future careers.

The impact of early career guidance extends beyond individual success. It contributes to building a workforce that is skilled, diverse, and adaptable. Students who pursue careers aligned with their interests are more likely to innovate, perform better, and contribute meaningfully to society. Moreover, structured guidance helps prepare them for global opportunities, making them competitive in an interconnected world.

India's demographic advantage can only translate into long-term growth if its youth are equipped with direction and purpose. Schools must act as enablers, ensuring that education is not just about academic achievement but also about preparing students for life beyond classrooms.

As students step into the professional world, their choices will shape not only their own futures but also the nation's progress. With the right guidance at the right time, careers become more than just jobs—they become meaningful journeys driven by passion and purpose.

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## Today is International Kids Yoga Day



## Building healthy habits early

Yoga is increasingly being recognised as an important practice for promoting children's overall health and well-being. In today's fast-paced and technology-driven world, children are often exposed to long hours of screen time, reduced physical activity, and rising levels of stress. Introducing yoga at an early age can help address these challenges by encouraging both physical fitness and mental balance.

Yoga is not just a form of exercise; it is a holistic practice that integrates movement, breathing, and mindfulness. For children, simple yoga postures improve flexibility, strength, and posture, while breathing techniques enhance lung capacity and focus. Regular practice can also help in improving concentration, which is essential for academic performance.

Beyond physical benefits, yoga plays a key role in supporting emotional well-being. It helps children manage stress, anxiety, and restlessness by promoting

relaxation and self-awareness. In school settings, yoga sessions have been shown to create a calmer learning environment, improving behaviour and attention spans.

Another important aspect of yoga is that it encourages discipline and routine. Practising regularly helps children develop healthy habits that can stay with them into adulthood. It also fosters a sense of balance between body and mind, which is crucial for overall development.

Creating awareness about yoga among parents, teachers, and students is essential to ensure its wider adoption. Schools can incorporate short yoga sessions into daily schedules, while families can encourage simple practices at home.

As children grow in an increasingly demanding world, yoga offers a simple yet effective way to support their physical health, mental clarity, and emotional resilience—laying the foundation for a healthier future.

## Pact to enhance practical learning & international exposure for aviation students

Chennai Amrita International Aviation College has entered into an academic collaboration with University College of Aviation Malaysia to strengthen practical training and global exposure for students pursuing careers in aviation. An MoU formalising the partnership was signed between the two institutions in the presence of academic leaders and representatives from the aviation training ecosystem. The initiative is aimed at aligning student training with evolving global industry requirements.

As part of the collaboration, the college hosted a four-day international training programme from April 6 to 9, featuring sessions by aviation professionals and

alumni. The programme covered emerging areas such as digital transformation in aviation, the role of artificial intelligence, airport operations, and new career pathways within the sector.

According to officials, the partnership introduces a structured academic pathway for students enrolled in aviation degree and diploma programmes. Under this model, students will complete the initial phase of their studies in Chennai, followed by advanced training and internships in Malaysia. The final year includes academic sessions at UniCAM along with hands-on experience at Malaysian airports.

The collaboration reflects a broader focus on experiential learning, with institutions increasingly integrating classroom

teaching with industry exposure. Facilities such as simulation environments and practical training modules are being emphasised to prepare students for real-world aviation roles.

Industry projections indicate a growing demand for skilled professionals in aviation, including pilots, cabin crew, engineers, and ground staff, over the next decade. Educational partnerships of this nature are expected to play a role in addressing skill gaps by providing students with international exposure and industry-relevant training.

The development highlights a continuing trend in higher education, where cross-border collaborations are being used to expand learning opportunities and align academic programmes with global workforce needs.

