

# Scholarships / Fee Concessions for Defence Families (India)

This directory lists institutions and central/state schemes that publicly state scholarships, fee concessions, seat reservations, or special waivers for wards/spouses of Defence personnel. Entries include a short description, eligibility notes and official website/contact where available. Always verify the latest criteria and deadlines on the listed websites.

Institution / Scheme	Type	Location	Summary (what they offer)	Eligibility / Notes / Contact / Source
Chandigarh University (AFEWS)	Private University	Mohali, Punjab	Reservation: 5% seats under Armed Forces Educational Welfare Scheme (AFEWS). Fee concessions: up to 15% for war widows/war casualties/war-disabled; 10% for wards/spouses of serving & retired defence & paramilitary personnel. Kargil martyrs' wards get special concessions.	Eligibility: Wards/spouses of martyrs, war-injured, serving/retired defence & paramilitary personnel. Source: CU Scholarship page - <a href="https://www.cuchd.in/scholarship/">https://www.cuchd.in/scholarship/</a>
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Lovely Professional University (Rakshak / Jai Jawan)	Private University	Phagwara, Punjab	Rakshak Samman Anudan & Jai Jawan Scholarship: financial aid programmes for defence & CAPF families. LPU Online 'Jai Jawan' offers 100% tuition waiver for Indian Armed Forces & paramilitary personnel for selected online UG/PG programmes (announced 2025).	Eligibility: Serving/retired defence personnel, CAPF and dependents as per specific scheme pages. Source: LPU Rakshak / Jai Jawan pages - <a href="https://www.lpu.in/">https://www.lpu.in/</a>
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Graphic Era University	Private Deemed University	Dehradun, Uttarakhand	Blanket fee concession of 5% on net tuition fee for wards of Defence personnel across courses.	Eligibility: Wards of current/ex-servicemen from Army, Navy, Air Force and paramilitary forces. Source: GEU Scholarships - <a href="https://geu.ac.in/scholarships/">https://geu.ac.in/scholarships/</a>
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Shobhit University (Babu Vijendra Shaurya Samman)	Deemed University	Meerut / Gangoh, UP	Defence Wards Scholarship: Typically 20% tuition fee concession for eligible wards; special 100% tuition waiver for wards of martyrs under certain categories.	Eligibility: Wards of defence/paramilitary personnel with required merit (e.g., >60%). Source: Shobhit University scholarship page - <a href="https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/">https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/</a>
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Amity University (including Amity Online)	Private University Group	Noida, Uttar Pradesh (and online)	Amity reports scholarships and concessions for defence families in certain categories (some campuses list up to 100% waivers for martyrs' wards). Amity Online shows specific defence-personnel scholarship credits.	Eligibility: Varies by campus & programme; check campus scholarship page. Source: <a href="https://amity.edu/">https://amity.edu/</a> & Amity Online pages
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Manipal Group (Manipal University / MUJ)	Private University Group	Manipal, Karnataka / Jaipur, Rajasthan	Merit scholarships specifically list 'wards of Indian Military & CAPF' among eligible categories for certain merit scholarships / fee concessions.	Eligibility: Varies by campus and program; check campus scholarship pages. Source: <a href="https://www.manipal.edu/">https://www.manipal.edu/</a>
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Army Welfare Education Society (AWES) — ESSA	Central / Army Welfare	Pan-India	Education Scholarship Scheme for Army Personnel (ESSA) provides financial assistance for wards of serving Army personnel (school to PG level). Amounts and eligibility are defined annually.	Eligibility: Wards of serving Army personnel (age limits apply); apply via AWES / Army welfare channels. Source: AWES ESSA pages & summaries.
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Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) — Kendriya Sainik Board (KSB)	Central Scheme	National (KSB Secretariat, New Delhi)	PMSS gives scholarships to wards/widows of ex-servicemen and ex-Indian Coast Guard personnel for professional courses (fixed number of awards; monthly stipend varies by gender/academic level).	Eligibility: Dependent wards/widows of ex-servicemen & ex-ICG; apply online through Kendriya Sainik Board portal (online.ksb.gov.in). Source: DESW PMSS page - <a href="https://www.desw.gov.in/prime-ministers-scholarship-scheme-pmss">https://www.desw.gov.in/prime-ministers-scholarship-scheme-pmss</a>
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Kendriya Sainik Board (KSB) — Contact & PMSS Support	Government Board	New Delhi	KSB manages PMSS recommendations, renewals and queries for the scheme. Contact details available on government portals and KSB publications.	Contact examples: JD (PMSS) email <a href="mailto:jdpmsksb-mod@gov.in">jdpmsksb-mod@gov.in</a> ; KSB Secretariat (West Block) phone ranges listed in KSB contact PDFs. Source: KSB / DESW pages.
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Other universities / groups (examples with defence concessions)	Various	Pan-India	Several other private universities and institutes run campus-specific defence/armed-forces concessions: examples include Amity (campuses), Manipal (campus scholarships), Aryans Group (private colleges), and several state universities that list concessions for martyr wards.	Recommendation: Search the college's 'Scholarships' page for 'defence', 'martyr', 'armed forces', or 'paramilitary' to find campus-specific concessions. Aggregators: ESMCorner, Buddy4Study for state & institute lists.

#### How to use this directory

- Always verify eligibility, application window and documents on the institution / scheme page before applying.
- For PMSS queries and renewals use the Kendriya Sainik Board (KSB) portal and the JD (PMSS) contact email: [jdpmssksb-mod@gov.in](mailto:jdpmssksb-mod@gov.in).

#### Sources & further reading (selected):

- Chandigarh University – Scholarship / AFEWS page: <https://www.cuchd.in/scholarship/>
- Lovely Professional University – Rakshak / Jai Jawan pages: <https://www.lpu.in/>
- Graphic Era University – Scholarships: <https://geu.ac.in/scholarships/>
- Shobhit University – University Scholarship: <https://www.shobhituniversity.ac.in/>
- Prime Minister's Scholarship Scheme (PMSS) – DESW: <https://www.desw.gov.in/prime-ministers-scholarship-scheme-pmss>
- AWES ESSA – Army Welfare Education Society pages and circulars (search AWES ESSA)
- Kendriya Sainik Board (KSB) – PMSS portal and contact PDFs ([online.ksb.gov.in](https://online.ksb.gov.in))
- Aggregators: ESMCorner, Buddy4Study for wider lists.