

ADOPT-A-STUDENT PROGRAM

The Adopt-a-Student Program is a financial assistance program conceived for low-income students of UPLB. It aims to help less fortunate but deserving students who lost their scholarships for failure to meet the academic requirements or those whose scholarship benefits are not sufficient to sustain their school needs while studying.

WHO MAY QUALIFY

- The UPLB Committee on Scholarships and Financial Assistance (UPLB-CSFA) selects the grantees of the Adopt-a-Student Program. The Committee grants the benefits to students based on the criteria:
 - Priority is given to students availing of at least 80% tuition discount and above.
 - The SLAS provides tuition discounts according to the student's capacity to pay. The amount of subsidy to be given is determined by the tuition discount assigned to students.
 - Grantees may be previous beneficiaries of scholarship programs who lost their benefits due to failure in meeting the qualifications for grant renewal. Said grantees must be in need of financial assistance to continue studying, provided specific academic standing and/or donor conditions satisfied.
 - Grantees may be current beneficiaries of scholarship programs who need supplemental financial assistance.

SELECTION AND RENEWAL

- The UPLB-CSFA selects grantees from a list of candidates endorsed by the PGS-OSG. The list is composed of students appealing for a better tuition discount or in need of additional support as referred by the different UPLB units. Selection may also be made in consultation with the donor.
- The UPLB-CSFA determines the amount to be given to each grantee, based on the need of the student and qualifications set by the donor.
- The Adopt-a-Student Program provides financial assistance for one (1) term (semester or midyear) only for students funded by the Pool. Grantees may be renewed for another semester depending on availability of funds and the academic and financial status of the grantee as determined by the UPLB-CSFA. To be eligible for renewal, grantees must: (1) be in good academic standing as certified by the respective college secretaries; and (2) be enrolled in a minimum of 15 units, unless graduating, with certification from the college, or required to take up mid-year classes. For disqualified grantees, they may be reinstated only as recommended by the UPLB-CSFA and upon approval of the donor, when applicable. If the awards are not claimed by the newly selected recipients within two (2) consecutive terms, the funding shall be returned to the Pool for other prospective grantees.



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DONOR'S ROLE

- The Adopt-a-Student Program provides financial assistance by pooling monetary contributions from institutional and individual donors. Organizations, small groups, private individuals, UP faculty members and even UP students can help by contributing a portion of their income and allowance to a pool of funds that finances the allowances of students under the program. Donors may choose to contribute to cover a portion of a UP student's monthly allowance for lodging or they may finance the entire cost to study in the university for one (1) semester.
- To adopt a student enrolled in at least fifteen (15) units during a semester/ six (6) units during a mid-year term, there are several benefit packages which donors can choose from depending on their capacity:
- **OPTION 1:** To give **FULL SUPPORT** to ____ (no. of recipients) students for ____ terms (1st sem/2nd sem/midyear), by providing the following benefit package:
 - Monthly living allowance of THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (P3,500.00) for five (5) months in a regular semester/ for two (2) months during midyear.
 - Book allowance of TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED PESOS (P2,500.00) per semester/ ONE THOUSAND PESOS (P1,000.00) for midyear term.
- **OPTION 2:** To give **PARTIAL SUPPORT** to ____ (no. of recipients) students for ____ terms (1st sem/2nd sem/midyear), by providing the following benefit package:
 - Monthly living allowance of THREE THOUSAND PESOS (P3,000.00) for five (5) months in a regular semester/ for two (2) months during midyear.
 - Book allowance of TWO THOUSAND PESOS (P2,000.00) per semester/ ONE THOUSAND PESOS (P1,000.00) for midyear term.
- **OPTION 3:** To give **SUPPLEMENTARY LIVING ALLOWANCE** ranging from THREE THOUSAND PESOS (P3,000.00) up to a maximum of SEVEN THOUSAND PESOS (P7,000.00) monthly for five (5) months during a semester/ for two (2) months during midyear.
- **Option 4:**
 - To give a ONE-TIME DONATION OF P_____ to be added to a pool of Funds for students with immediate financial need.
 - To give a THESIS SUPPORT of P_____ (P_____/semester to ____ (no. of recipient/s)); ____ Semester _____.
- Donors may indicate certain qualifications of UP students to be given priority during the selection of grantees. A donor may also opt to support more than one (1) UP student per semester.

