

Qualification Programme ("QP") Scholarships

Regulations

- Name of Scholarships** : QP Scholarships
- Number of Scholarships** : A maximum of 20 and 2 per annum for final year undergraduates and sub-degree students respectively
- Donor** : Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("the Institute")
- Objectives** : The aims of the scholarships are to recognize academic excellence; to encourage top graduates to pursue an internationally recognized accountancy qualification; and to serve as a source of financial aid for deserving students.
- Eligibility** : Students in their final year full-time studies of accredited accountancy/non-accountancy undergraduate programmes/ accredited sub-degree accountancy programmes who are of good character, have achieved outstanding performance in academic, extra-curricular activities and community services are eligible to be nominated. In addition, the applicants should not have obtained any other accountancy professional qualification(s).
- Closing date** : **18 February 2021**

Award Procedures and Criteria:

1. The award is offered through nominations by the Department of Accountancy or School of Business and/ or each institution's Selection Committee on Scholarships.
2. Each institution may nominate up to a maximum of four final year full-time undergraduate students and a maximum of two final year full-time sub-degree students to the Institute for consideration by mid-February of each year. Candidates nominated will be assessed on the basis of their academic results (i.e. attain a cumulative GPA of top 80 percent or above from respective institution's GPA scale is required) in undergraduate/ sub-degree studies and their participation in extra-curricular activities and community services.
3. Completed nomination form should include a 350-word statement in English written by the nominee. It should be submitted together with a letter of recommendation by the Head of the Department/ School.



4. The Institute will convene a Selection Panel to select, interview and recommend suitable candidates to receive the QP Scholarships awards.
5. The decision of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants is final.
6. The Institute shall present the award to the Scholarship recipients at the Institute's QP Top Student Award and Scholarship Presentation Ceremony, which is normally held in September of each year.
7. It will be assumed that the Scholarship awards shall be offered annually until further notice in writing by the Institute before 1 September of each year.

Award Format and Value:

1. There are a maximum of twenty (20) and two QP Scholarships to be allocated for undergraduates and sub-degree students respectively.
2. The award is in the form of a fee waiver, to cover the fees for QP application fee, one year student annual fee, exemption and examination fees of new QP. Award recipients are expected to take the QP as their first professional accountancy examination.
3. The validity of the fee waiver is two and three years for undergraduates and sub-degree students respectively. The Scholarship recipients shall complete the QP within this period.