



### General Terms and Conditions

1. Scholarships are being offered with regards to the Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com) course offered by the UoMGC starting as from academic year 2021/2022 and spread over a three (3) year period;
2. Subject to these terms and conditions as well as to the below eligibility criteria, the scholarship scheme shall cover 90% of the tuition fee for the above-mentioned course as follows:
  - i. An initial 60% shall be refunded after successful completion of each academic year; and
  - ii. The remaining 30% of each academic year shall be refunded upon successful completion of the whole B.Com course;
3. The remaining fee (10%) and any other ancillary expenses (as defined in point 8 but not limited to them), are to be covered by the applicant or as the case may be;
4. When the results are published at the end of each academic year, successful applicants shall inform the GRDA with their progression to the next academic year by providing either an official transcript or a letter/note from the course coordinator indicating that they are eligible for progression;
5. Interested applicants must first register for the course as defined in point 1 with the University of Malta. It is the responsibility of candidates to register for it when registration opens. Therefore, candidates are expected to consult the relevant University webpage and/or newspapers for further information;
6. Once prospective candidates apply with the UoMGC for the above-mentioned Course as outlined in Point 1, it is their responsibility to apply for the scholarship scheme as defined in the Application Process set out below and subject to the applicable terms and conditions;
7. The applicant must disclose any scholarships or grants received from the GRDA or another source whether public or not and for the same course. Thus, the applicant shall be required to submit a declaration to such effect when submitting any application under this scholarship scheme;
8. Any type of accommodation, travel or living expenses related to the course as well as examination fees, ancillary items such as books and stationery but not limited to them, are not eligible expenses under this scholarship scheme and thus, are to be borne by the applicant;
9. It is held on a part-time basis as scheduled by the UoMGC;
10. This course is a taught based (unless otherwise permitted by the course coordinator) undergraduate programme of studies to be held at the UoMGC premises;

11. The GRDA has sole discretion in awarding these scholarships based on the application and selection criteria set for this scholarship scheme. This means that applicants do not become automatically eligible for the scholarship scheme;
12. The GRDA reserves the right to review and revoke the scholarships, in whole or in part if;
  - i. It is discovered that the awardee was selected for the scholarship based on untrue or misleading information; or
  - ii. The applicant fails to comply with these terms and conditions as well as the eligibility criteria set out below; or
  - iii. Is found guilty of academic or disciplinary misconduct;
13. In such instances, the awardee shall reimburse the funds awarded under the scholarship scheme, the amount of which will depend on whether the scholarship was revoked in whole or in part;
14. Reimbursement as aforesaid shall be affected by not later than three (3) months from the date on which the awardee is found to have breached these terms and conditions;
15. Application fees relating to any extensions granted beyond the maximum scholarship term as outlined in this document shall be borne by the applicant. Moreover, the maximum scholarship term does not cover any suspension or repetition of studies that are provided for by and in accordance with the University regulations. Thus, the period during which the suspension or repetition subsists will not be covered by the scholarship;
16. The scholarship scheme as is being applied cannot be awarded to the same individual more than once;
17. The scholarship is not transferable to another person whether it be natural or having a distinct legal personality;
18. This scholarship scheme is only available for the B.Com course held at the UoMGC as defined in Point 1 and is not transferable to other Faculties or Departments of the University of Malta. It is neither transferable to other Universities or educational institutions regardless if the course offered by other Universities or institutions is related or identical to the one described above;
19. Had the applicant resigned from the above-mentioned course and enrolled into another course or vice-versa which is also eligible under another scholarship scheme offered by the GRDA, the applicant may be allowed, at the discretion of the GRDA, to apply for the scholarship. However, the applicant must submit a declaration indicating: (i) the course that is now following; (ii) the course that was originally following; and when the change took effect;
20. The GRDA reserves the right to make amendments to these terms and conditions provided that the applicants are informed accordingly;
21. The GRDA reserves the right to close the scheme should funds not suffice which will depend on the scheme take-up. This however does not apply to those who are already participants in this scholarship scheme.

## Eligibility Criteria

In addition to the above general terms and conditions, the applicants must:

- i. Be Maltese nationals or nationals of another State who are entitled to equal access to education under the same conditions as Maltese nationals in accordance with EU law;
- ii. Have applied for the undergraduate programme of studies described in point 1 and be in possession of an unconditional letter of acceptance for this programme of studies issued by the UoMGC;
- iii. NOT be in receipt of any other scholarship from another sponsoring institution or organization whether public or otherwise for the same purpose as outlined in point 2;
- iv. Applicants must successfully complete the academic studies as outlined in Point 1 and are to provide the necessary documentation as defined in the *Application Process below*;

## Application Process

- i. Complete applications for the **Scholarship Scheme with GRDA** are to be received by not later than the **10<sup>th</sup> of September 2021 at 17.00 hrs** (Central European Summer Time) and are to be sent by email to [grdaschemes@grda.mt](mailto:grdaschemes@grda.mt);
- ii. The application needs to be accompanied by the following documents:
  - a. Copy of passport/ID card; & and
  - b. A covering letter from the UoMGC indicating that the applicant has been accepted for the B. Com course as defined in Point 1 of the *General Terms and Conditions*;
  - c. A declaration as stipulated in the *General Terms and Conditions*, indicating any other scholarships or grants received (if any) for this course;
- iii. Each application is vetted through an established selection process and the applicant is immediately informed whether it has been accepted or otherwise;
- iv. Late applications without a valid reason or incomplete applications shall not be considered.