

1.3.4 Bottom financial quintile student support

The Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime Transport (AASTMT) allocate substantial resources to enhance opportunities for students from low-income backgrounds through a wide range of ongoing programs and initiatives designed to promote educational equity and ensure that students can pursue their academic goals without facing financial or social barriers. These programs are supervised by the Dean of Student Affairs in coordination with the relevant administrative departments. Among the most notable initiatives are the following:

1. Annual Financial Assistance Program:

This program is administered by a specialized committee responsible for assessing the students' social and financial circumstances. Partial or full tuition fee reductions may be granted to students who are determined to be financially disadvantaged, following a review of the submitted documentation.

2. "Students First" Initiative:

This initiative is designed to support students facing financial and academic challenges by facilitating installment-based tuition payment options and providing continuous psychological and academic support to minimize the risk of student dropout.

3. Housing and Living Support:

Targeted discounts are offered to financially disadvantaged students residing in university housing, covering both accommodation and daily meals, with the possibility of full exemption in specific social circumstances.

4. Social Scholarships:

The Academy offers either partial or full scholarships based on an assessment of family income and academic merit to ensure equal opportunities for all students.

5. Social and Psychological Support Services:

The Psychological and Social Counseling Unit, operating under the Deanship of Student Affairs, provides continuous support services aimed at monitoring and assisting students who face financial or psychological difficulties, ensuring their successful progression throughout their academic programs.

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Student Scholarships and the number of students receiving financial aid for the fiscal year 2023/ 2024

The scholarships include internal government jobs, financial need scholarships, grants in partnership with charitable and scientific institutions, Athletic scholarships, Arab youth scholarships and scholarships of upper Egypt.

	Scholarship name	Scholarship type	Scholarship description	Number of scholarship students	Annual scholarship value (L.E)
1	Internal government jobs	Scholarship	Community Service Scholarships to support internal government jobs	7,379	572,937,319
2	Financial Need Scholarships	Financial aid eligibility	This Scholarship seeks applicants in financial need	2,231	240,331,096
3	Grants in partnership with charitable and scientific institutions	Scholarships	Community Service to help students with special circumstances	188	87,788,900
5	Arab youth Scholarships	Helping Arab students	This Scholarship seeks Helping Yemeni students	45	4,331,692
6	Sons of Upper Egypt	Community Service Scholarships	Encouraging the sons of Upper Egypt	502	10,934,878
Total				10345	916,323,885

Financial support from charitable organizations

Several charitable organizations continue to provide scholarships and financial assistance to Academy students. This year, these efforts have expanded significantly, with more organizations increasing their contributions to support students with financial needs as well as students with special needs. These enhancements aim to enable a larger number of students to continue their university education and achieve their academic aspirations.

The Academy has also strengthened its cooperation with these institutions—both locally and internationally—by broadening partnership channels and improving coordination mechanisms. This enhanced collaboration has resulted in greater access to support and more effective delivery of services to students in need.

Entities inside Egypt such as:

- Abu Elenin Foundation for Social Activity
- Misr Al Khair Foundation
- Sawiris Foundation for Social Development
- Agricultural Bank in Matrouh Governorate
- Ezz iron

Parties outside Egypt such as:

- Eastern Triangle Consulting and Development Company - Yemen
- Iraqi Oil Tanker Company - Iraq
- Ministry of Maritime Transport - Yemen
- Sea Ports Authority - Sudan
- Arab cultural attachés



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Financial support rates

- During 2023/ 2024, the Academy has strengthened its regulations to better support financially distressed students. Full or partial assistance has been allocated each semester based on individual case assessments or donor contributions, with every application reviewed thoroughly once the required documents are submitted.
- Support for Arab students has also improved this year, as eligible Arab nationals continue to benefit from tuition fees calculated at the same rate as Egyptian students, reducing financial pressure and enhancing access to education.
- The Academy has expanded its scholarship offerings for Arab students, with support levels ranging from 30% to 70%. This reflects an increased commitment to helping more students pursue their academic goals.
- Tuition fee discounts for Arab graduates have been enhanced as well, thus ranging from 25% to 30% each semester. All cases are reviewed by the Financial Support Committees, and the approved discount rates are then validated by His Excellency the President of the Academy before being applied.
- Additionally, the Academy has increased the number of full scholarships available to students from developing countries, both at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels, provided they maintain strong academic performance. This expansion highlights the Academy's ongoing efforts to promote excellence and broaden educational opportunities.