AMRITA VISHWA VIDYAPEETHAM
DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY
Amritanagar P.O., Ettimadai, Coimbatore - 641 112
Tamil Nadu, India Ph: +91 422 2685000
Fax: +91 422 2686274 Email: univhq@amrita.edu

Support for Students from Low-Income Families at Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham



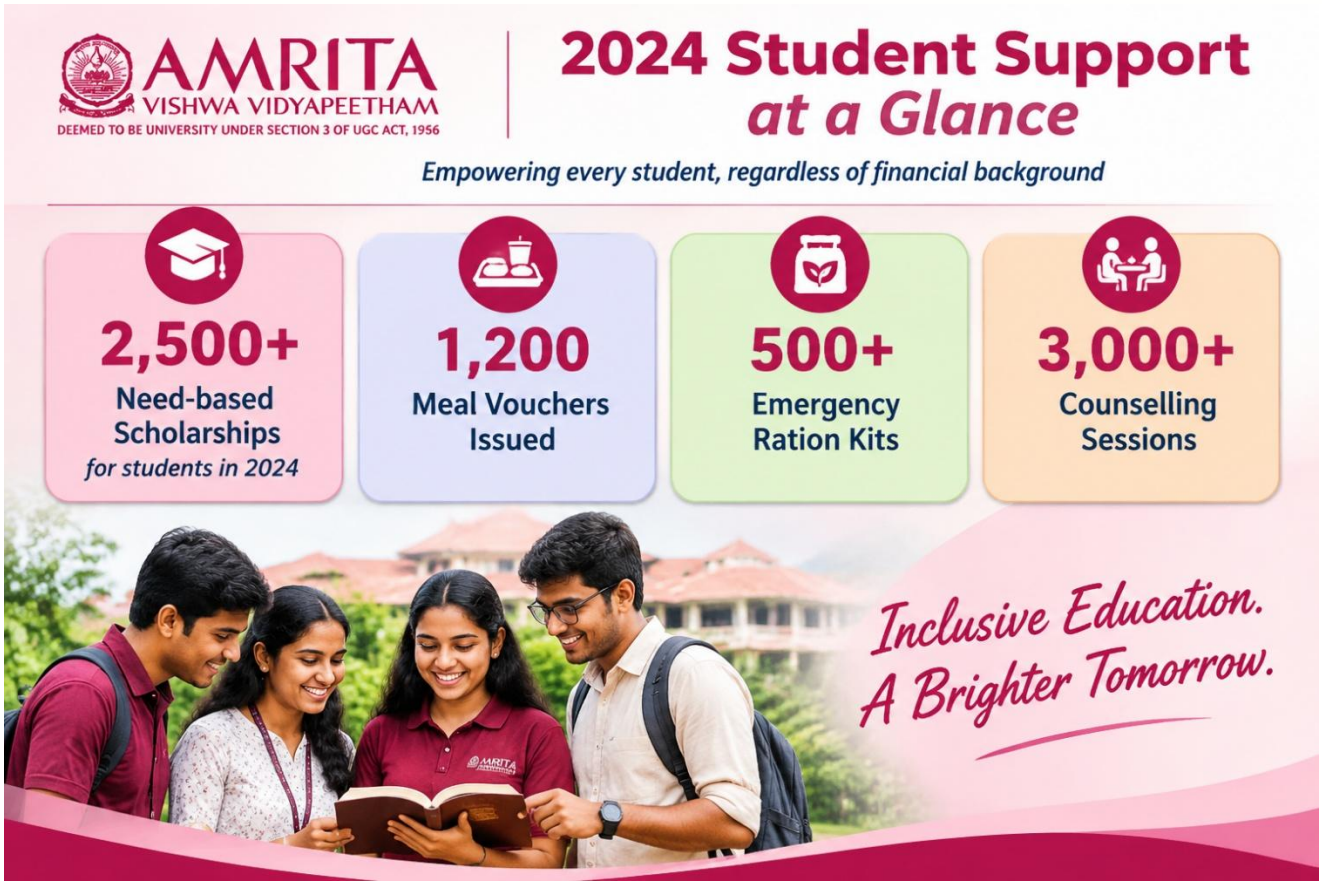
Date – 28/Dec/2025

Overview

Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham gives students from low-income families practical support with food, housing, transport, legal advice, counselling and health care, so that the cost of living does not stop them from finishing their degree. This support sits alongside need-based scholarships, which more than 2,500 students received in 2024.

Support, 2024	Reach
Need-based scholarships	2,500+ students; 92% of bottom-20% scholars kept their scholarship
Meal vouchers for low-income students	1,200 issued
Emergency ration kits	500+ students
Counselling sessions	3,000+
Free legal aid	2 legal aid clinics
Full tuition and accommodation (CATALYST)	20 economically disadvantaged B.Tech students

AMRITA VISHWA VIDYAPEETHAM
DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY
Amritanagar P.O., Ettimadai, Coimbatore - 641 112
Tamil Nadu, India Ph: +91 422 2685000
Fax: +91 422 2686274 Email: univhq@amrita.edu



Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham's Student Support Initiatives for Economically Disadvantaged Students (2024), highlighting financial and welfare assistance through over 2,500 need-based scholarship recipients, 1,200 meal vouchers issued, emergency ration kits provided to more than 500 students, and over 3,000 counselling sessions, demonstrating the university's commitment to inclusive education, student wellbeing, and equitable access to higher education.

Food

No student at Amrita should go hungry because of money. Campus canteens serve subsidised vegetarian meals at ₹25–₹40, and students in financial difficulty can get free food help.

- **Subsidised meals.** Nutritious vegetarian meals at ₹25–₹40 in campus canteens.
- **Meal vouchers.** 1,200 meal vouchers were given to low-income students in 2024.
- **Emergency ration kits.** More than 500 students received ration kits in 2024 during times of financial hardship.
- **Emergency food assistance.** Students facing a sudden loss of family income can get immediate food support while longer-term help is arranged.

Housing

Amrita provides safe, affordable on-campus housing, and fully covers accommodation for students on its fullest scholarships.

Amritanagar P.O., Ettimadai, Coimbatore - 641 112
Tamil Nadu, India Ph: +91 422 2685000
Fax: +91 422 2686274 Email: univhq@amrita.edu

Campus	Hostels	Annual fee, 2024–25
Coimbatore	13 hostels (9 for men, 4 for women), over 8,000 places	₹49,000 (four-sharing) to ₹54,000 (single); mess ₹58,000
Amritapuri	On-campus hostels	₹60,000–₹75,000

- **Free accommodation for scholarship holders.** CATALYST scholars and E4Life PhD fellows receive accommodation at no cost, along with full tuition.
- **Rekha Eipe Memorial Scholarship.** Covers full tuition and residential costs for economically disadvantaged women.
- **Low deposits.** Refundable caution deposits are kept low, from ₹3,000 at Amritapuri.

Transport

Students who live off campus can reach classes on subsidised university buses.

- **Subsidised bus network.** More than 10 major routes serve day scholars living within 30 km of campus.



Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham's Practical Support Beyond Tuition, highlighting subsidised meals, affordable accommodation, and transportation assistance to reduce financial barriers, promote student well-being, and support the retention and academic success of economically disadvantaged students.

- **Free campus shuttles.** Solar-powered and electric shuttles run free within campus.
- **Field travel support.** Students on Live-in-Labs® village placements receive a transport stipend of USD 315 a month.

AMRITA VISHWA VIDYAPEETHAM
DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY
Amritanagar P.O., Ettimadai, Coimbatore - 641 112
Tamil Nadu, India Ph: +91 422 2685000
Fax: +91 422 2686274 Email: univhq@amrita.edu



Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham's Comprehensive Student Wellbeing, Healthcare and Legal Assistance Services (2024), highlighting over 3,000 counselling sessions, two legal aid clinics, a 24/7 crisis helpline, three campus dispensary doctors, and additional grievance redressal, nursing, medical bed and ambulance facilities to support student health, safety, wellbeing and equitable access to essential services.

Legal services, counselling and health

Students get free legal advice, counselling and basic health care on campus.

Service	What students receive	2024
Legal aid	Free legal advice through the Amrita International School of Law	2 legal aid clinics
Grievance support	Grievance cells and an ombudsperson on each campus; anti-ragging committees	Grievance cells on 3 campuses; 4 anti-ragging committees
Counselling	Free counselling and a 24/7 crisis helpline	3,000+ sessions; 9 counsellors at Coimbatore, Amritapuri and Bengaluru
Health care	Free consultations at the campus dispensary	3 doctors, 8 nurses, 10 beds and 2 ambulances

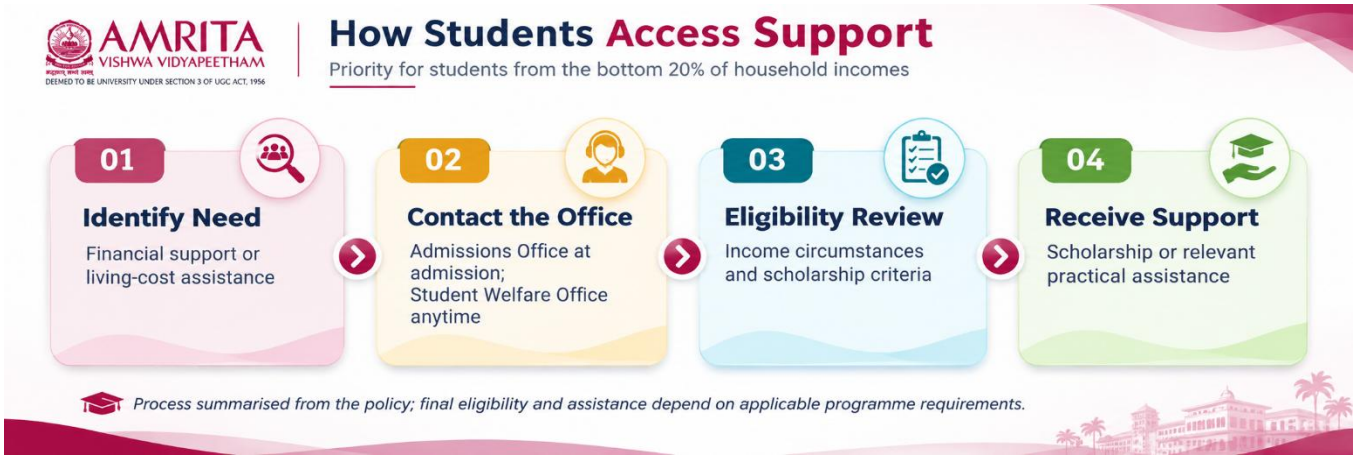
Financial support and how to get help

Financial aid covers fees so that food, housing and transport support can go further.

- **Need-based scholarships.** Tuition waivers of 25% to 100%, awarded to more than 2,500 students in 2024. Scholarships continue each year for students who keep a CGPA of 7.0 and 75% attendance.
- **CATALYST Scholarship (with ELGi Equipments Ltd., from 2024).** Full tuition, hostel, meals and materials for 20 economically disadvantaged B.Tech Mechanical Engineering students at Coimbatore, with placement opportunities at ELGi.
- **Reserved-category waivers.** Full tuition waivers for top OBC, SC, ST and EWS students.

Amritanagar P.O., Ettimadai, Coimbatore - 641 112
Tamil Nadu, India Ph: +91 422 2685000
Fax: +91 422 2686274 Email: univhq@amrita.edu

- **Education loans.** Help applying for loans from Bank of Baroda, Dhanalakshmi Bank and other nationalised banks.



Student Financial Support Access Process at Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, illustrating the four-step framework for identifying financial needs, contacting designated offices, reviewing eligibility, and providing scholarships or practical assistance, with priority given to students from the bottom 20% of household incomes.

Who can apply. Any student whose family has a low income can ask for help. Students from the bottom 20% of household incomes, as defined in Amrita's Bottom Financial Quintile Admission Target, are given priority.

How to apply. Students apply for scholarships through the Admissions Office at admission, and for food, housing or emergency help at any time through their campus Student Welfare Office. Contact: [campus welfare office email and phone].