

**Announcement of 100 ICCR Scholarships Slots globally under
Lata Mangeshkar Dance & Music Scholarship Scheme (A 1209)
for the academic year 2025-26**

Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR), a cultural arm of the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, has announced **100 Scholarships** slots under **Lata Mangeshkar Dance & Music Scholarship Scheme** for pursuing study of Indian Culture such as dance, music, theater, performing art, sculpture, Indian languages, Indian cuisine, etc. at Indian Universities / Institutes for the academic year 2025-26.

2. The applications from interested international students for academic year 2025-26 are invited online through ICCR's A2A *Scholarship Portal* <http://a2ascholarships.iccr.gov.in>. The timeline for the admission process is as under:

20 Feb 2025	Opening of ICCR A2A Portal for admissions.
30 April 2025	Last date of application to be submitted by students.
31 May 2025	Last date of Universities to inform the decision (if confirmed, intimation to Missions; if rejected, intimation to students).
15 June 2025	Last date for allocating scholarship and generating Offer Letters by Indian Mission abroad.
22 June 2025	Last date of acceptance by students.
01 July 2025	Based on the number of acceptances in the first round (if acceptances are less than the scholarship seats allocated) Indian Mission to offer scholarship to other students who were not considered in the first round.
10 July 2025	Second-round students to convey their acceptances.

3. Only Universities / Institutes having excellent academic reputation and providing requisite facilities to host foreign students have been selected. According to A2A process, applications will be directly sent by students to respective universities. Applicants have the option to apply to 5 Universities / institutes in the order of their preference of study. The admission, as far as possible, shall be given as per applicant's preference.

4. For admission, applicant will have to write a 500-word essay in English to ascertain English proficiency. Besides, students can also submit their TOFEL / IELTS etc. Standardised Test scores, if available.

6. The scholarship slots include return economy class air-fares to the nearest airport and 3rd AC Train fare to the place of study, if so required.
7. It is compulsory for all ICCR scholarship students to procure Medical Insurance Policy with minimum sum assured for Indian Rupees Five Lakhs per annum.
8. For any further clarification/query in this regard, **Mr. Amit Chaudhary, Attache (Culture)** may be contacted at **cons.tallinn@mea.gov.in**.