

## **Financial Aid and Scholarships**

The IBT Program may award up to two merit-based scholarships per academic year to tuition-paying students, based on their academic performance in the previous year. Eligibility requires successful completion of all courses (including the September exam period) and a minimum GPA of 8.5, although exceptions may be made by the Steering Committee. Scholarships are not cash awards but take the form of partial or full tuition waivers and cannot exceed the total annual tuition. Students must have fully settled their financial obligations to be eligible.

Partial or full tuition waivers may be granted in exceptional cases, including outstanding entrepreneurial or athletic achievements, or serious personal/social challenges such as refugee status, loss of property, severe illness, or disability. These cases must be supported by documented evidence showing significant financial hardship.

The granting of scholarships and waivers depends on the financial sustainability and budget of the Program, which reserves the right to adjust their number and amount. The Steering Committee makes final decisions, which are not subject to appeal. The non-granting of scholarships does not create any right to compensation.

The Program may provide up to two financial aid awards to prospective students prior to enrollment. These are not scholarships and may cover up to 50% of annual tuition fees, aiming to facilitate access rather than reward academic performance.

Financial aid may be granted to applicants with:

- exceptional entrepreneurial activity (e.g., startups, innovation, awards),
  - significant athletic achievements (national or international level),
  - serious social or personal challenges (e.g., vulnerability, social exclusion).
- Full documentation is required, and the PSP Committee may request additional supporting evidence.

To be considered for financial aid, applicants must have been accepted into the Program, submit a complete application with all required documents, pay the tuition deposit, and apply by May 15. Incomplete applications are not considered. The Steering Committee evaluates all applications and issues final, non-appealable decisions.

The process for granting scholarships and financial aid is governed by principles of equal treatment, transparency, objectivity, and personal data protection, in accordance with the applicable legal and institutional framework.