



DAFI Uganda call for application 2024 – 2025

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document for the DAFI scholarship in Uganda. Windle International Uganda (WIU) with support from UNHCR Uganda has designed this document in response to the valuable insights gathered from information sessions, social media engagements, and in-person consultations with the 2024 DAFI scholarship applicants. This document aims to provide comprehensive guidance to aid you in your application process. Whether you're seeking clarity on eligibility criteria, application procedures, or any other aspect of the DAFI scholarship, this FAQ is designed to address your queries and streamline your journey towards accessing this transformative educational opportunity. **Good Luck!**

GENERAL QUESTIONS

1) What is UNHCR Tertiary Refugee Scholarship Programme (DAFI)?

UNHCR Tertiary Refugee Scholarship Programme (DAFI) offers qualified refugees the possibility to earn an undergraduate degree in their country of asylum.

The scholarship package covers a range of costs including tuition and study materials, food, transportation and accommodation. The DAFI scholarship programme may also provide academic preparatory, language and information and communication technology (ICT) courses, as well as psychosocial support, depending on the needs.

DAFI Uganda covers programmes at bachelor's or equivalent level—typically designed to provide participants with intermediate academic and/or professional knowledge, skills and competencies, leading to a first degree or equivalent qualification. Traditionally offered by universities and equivalent tertiary educational institutions.

DAFI also covers short-cycle tertiary education ISCED level 5 courses—usually designed to provide participants with professional knowledge, skills and competencies, either



academic or technical. This includes accredited Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) programmes of two years or more that lead to a certification or diploma.

The 2024 DAFI season does **NOT** cover Post Graduate studies of any kind.

2) Who is eligible to apply?

Information concerning the eligibility for the scholarship award can be found on the **DAFI call for application 2023** advert, on the Windle International Uganda website; <https://windleuganda.org/scholarship-opportunities/> . One must be a **refugee fully registered** with OPM-Uganda, be **between 18 and 35 years** of age and **hold a Uganda Advanced Certificate of Education (U.A.C.E)** with at least Two (2) principle passes or an **equivalent of U.A.C.E** issued by another country where the applicant studied. **Applicants with the Higher Education Certificate (HEC) are also encouraged to apply.**

3) I am already studying at university but with financial difficulties, can I apply for funding?

Only continuing students with more than two years of remaining study period can apply. Students in their final years of study are not encouraged to apply. Applicants who had commenced studies but dropped out of school (with evidence of registered dead semester/year) are encourage to apply.

I. REQUIREMENTS

1) I have no admission and have not yet applied to any university due to financial hardship. Am I eligible to apply for the DAFI Scholarship?

Having an admission to a university is an added advantage but not an eligibility requirement. If you meet all the eligibility requirements as stated by the advert, you are eligible and can apply without an admission.

2) The U.A.C.E official result slips are not yet out. Can I apply using the school testimonial showing my results?



All applicants are encouraged to ensure having their official U.A.C.E result slips by the time of application. All documents that are not officially issued by a relevant official examining body shall not be consideration. In 2024 season, a recommendation from your former school will be accepted. However, you will be required to present the original academic documents during the physical interviews.

3) In my country, high school goes for less than six (6) years, can I also apply for the DAFI-Uganda undergraduate scholarship programme?

For all applicants whose previous high school education is less than six years, UNEB equates their academic documents to UACE and are required to undergo a **bridging course** (Foundation programme) before being admitted to an undergraduate course. Having a **bridging course/foundation certificate** therefore will be ad added advantage.

III. APPLICATION

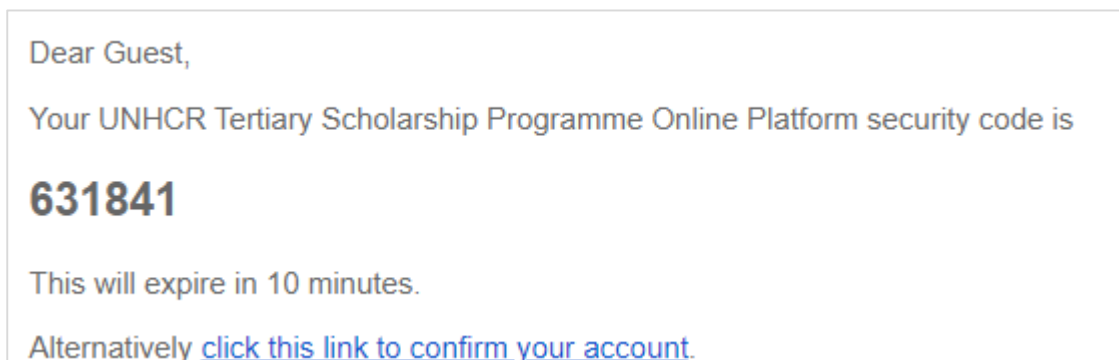
1) How do I apply?

To apply, follow the following steps

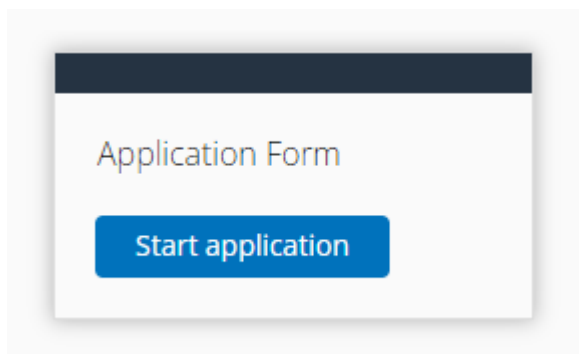
- I. Press the online application link <https://unhcr-dafi-tertiary.scholarshipsplatform.com/>
- II. On the **UNHCR Tertiary Scholarship Programme Online Platform**, enter your **personal email** and press continue to create a personal account.



III. A Security verification code will be sent to your email.



IV. Please check your email inbox for the notification and click the link provided to confirm your account details, complete your registration and be able to start your application process.

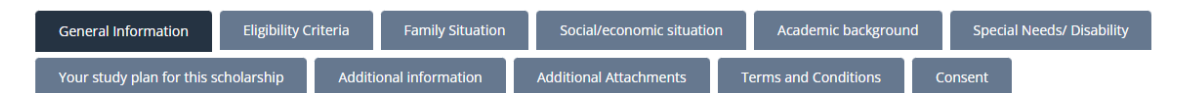




- V. After starting your application, please to go through all the application tabs, from **General information** to **Consent** and ensure to fill all the questions before pressing **submit**. **Note:** the application will not allow submission unless you fill all the questions without skipping any.

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All questions must be answered, unless marked optional.



- VI. After filling all the application questions, click the consent buttons and press **submit application**.



2. Can I send my application in an email?

All applications must be submitted online, only via DAFI call for application 2023- 2024 <https://unhcr-dafi-tertiary.scholarshipsplatform.com/> between 17 July 2023 and 06 August 2023. Late submission will not be considered.

3. What documents do I need to upload as part of my DAFI application?

Applicants are required to upload;

- ❖ Refugee Attestation
- ❖ Academic documents (U.A.C.E) or an equivalent issued by the country in which the applicant studied
- ❖ Admission, if available
- ❖ Evidence of working experience or community participation
- ❖ Any other important document e.g. Language proficiency certificates, if available



4. I have a mismatch between my name on the academic document and my name on my identification documents, what can I do?

Should you have a mismatch on how your name appears on the attestation and how it appears on your academic documents, kindly visit the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) and with evidence request them to change and match your name to the academic document. Any names appearing on I. Ds but not matching the academic documents will not be considered.

Note 1: If your name was officially changed or altered, you will be required to provide the affidavit in reference to the stated changes.

Note 2: If your query is regarding an issue that will not prevent you from submitting your application (e.g. a spelling error in your name, an incorrect date of birth), this may be dealt with after the application window has closed. Please ensure that you submit your application as soon as possible

5. Am failing to upload documents, what can I do?

To attach documents, make sure your documents are in JPG (Photo Format) or PDF. For documents with more than one page, please ensure to bind them together into a pdf. format. You can then attach your documents by simply dragging a document file to the space provided (**Drag your files here**) or **select file** to find the document from the local disc on your computer, where the document is saved.

Please upload your official/certified copy of the high school diploma.



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6. I started my application and saved without submitting. Now I want to complete my application but the portal is indicating that the ‘Maximum application reached’

Once an applicant registers an account on the application portal, he/she cannot be allowed to create another account using the same email. This is simply to avoid duplicate applications. To update your application, simply click on your name to reopen your application for editing.

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7. I would have completed my application but I am still looking for some missing documents i.e. extra academic document, updated verified attestation, volunteer/working Certificates, university admission etc., what can I do?

If you have missing/pending documents to attach your application, you are advised to submit your application. Once you get the missing document, you can log back to your application portal and update your application. Kindly ensure to make any updates before the deadline.

8. I would like to complete my application but I have not yet obtained a university admission. what can I do?

Having an admission to a university is an added advantage but not an eligibility requirement. If you meet all the required eligibility criteria as stated by the advert, you are eligible and can please go ahead and apply without an admission.

9. I have issues with my device, how can I be helped?



For an easy application process and upload of document, you are advised to use a computer. Please visit a computer center for an easy application process. e.g. Internet cafes, UNHCR Youth Centers, Settlement Schools with computer labs, WIU/UNHCR/OPM offices etc. for technical guidance.

10. I have no application link. The application link I have seems incomplete and is not reactive, what can I do?

To access the **online application link** for the **DAFI call for application 2023**, please visit the WIU website's scholarship opportunities tab.; <https://windleuganda.org/scholarship-opportunities/> . You can also directly visit the **online application** on the **UNHCR Tertiary Scholarship Programme Online Platform**; <https://unhcr-dafi-tertiary.scholarshipsplatform.com/>

11. I filled all the questions, why is my application still 'in progress' and not fully submitted? How do I complete an application?

To complete an application, please ensure to fill all the question and press the '**submit application**' button.



Note: If there are un answered questions, the **submit application** will not work. Instead the application portal will detect all the answered questions highlight them in red. Please ensure to answer them before trying to submit again.

12. Why am I receiving a notification saying 'you have reached maximum number of applications?'

This is because you are returning applicant and you are using your old account. You can open a new account using a new email address. Also, the settings have been revised to accommodate at least one application per season. Please be sure that you have not opened numerous accounts with the same email address.

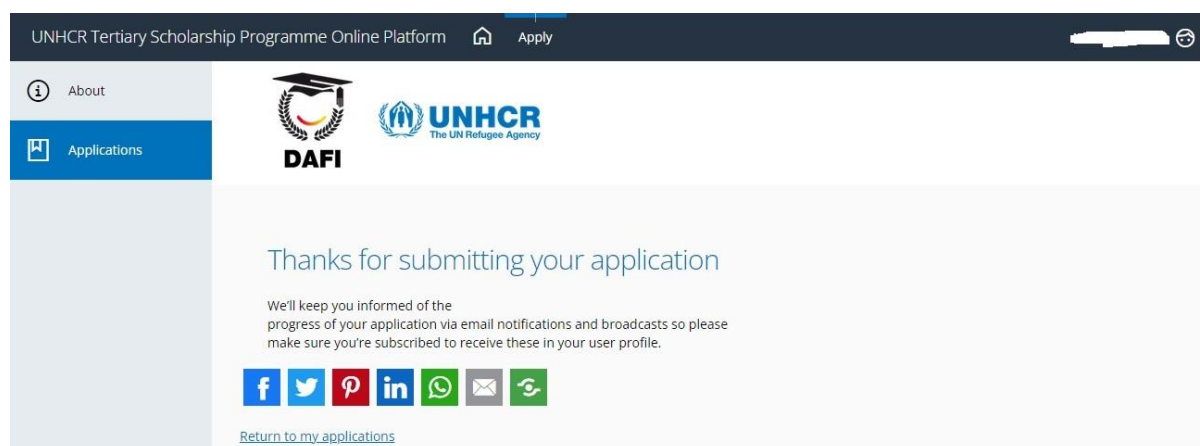


12.1 Can use a friend's email address and/or telephone number?

We recommend that applicants use their personal emails because all communication (including the decision of your application) comes via email and other communication channels. You are advised to use your primary and personal contact details at all time.

13. How can I tell if my application has been successfully submitted?

After successfully submitting your application, you will get a notification to your personal email confirming the submission.




Alternatively, please login to the online application portal to see if your application has been submitted.

IV. OTHERS

1) Can I resubmit my application if I made a mistake on the application form?

If you have made a mistake, YES you can resubmit your application. Updating or editing after submission is possible as long as the advert deadline has not passed.

To edit your application, please log on to your account on the **UNHCR Tertiary Scholarship Programme Online Platform** and click on your name to reopen application for editing.



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Once you are done editing or updating, please click save to submit the changes.

2. I am interested in studies but was told that I do not qualify since I am not a refugee, can I apply?

The DAFI scholarship programme is a fund by UNHCR and is strictly earmarked for refugees. Applications from people who are not refugees registered by OPM – Uganda shall not be considered.

V. APPLICATION DEADLINES

1. What are the deadlines?

Information about the programme in general (application conditions, application procedure, deadlines, documents and contact) can be found on the **UNHCR Tertiary Scholarship Programme Online Platform**; <https://unhcr-dafi-tertiary.scholarshipsplatform.com/>. The specific **deadline** for the DAFI call for application 2024-2025 is **31st May 2024**.