



**Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational  
Education**

**(Higher Education Division)**

**Cuban Undergraduate Scholarships – 2026/27**

Applications are invited from eligible Sri Lankan applicants for the award of **01** Undergraduate Scholarship in **Medicine** offered by the Republic of Cuba at the Latin American University of Medicine (ELAM) for the academic year 2026/27.

**01. General Eligibility requirements: -**

- (a) Applicant should be a citizen of Sri Lanka.
- (b) Age should be less than 25 years at **26.04.2026** (Should be over 16 years old and under 25 years old)
- (c) The applicant should have a minimum of three passes at the G.C.E. (A/L) Examination- **2024 in Biological stream**, conducted by the Department of Examinations, Sri Lanka.
- (d) Should possess a good knowledge of English. (Should have obtained a “C” pass in English at the G.C.E. (O/L) Examination and “S” pass at the G.C.E A/L Examination or equivalent.
- (e) Should be in good health and ready to live in Cuba during the period of study.
- (f) Applicant should not be registered or following a course at a state university in Sri Lanka as an internal student (a student selected by UGC based on the G.C.E. A/L results).

**02. Medium of Study: - Spanish Language**

**Note: Selected candidates must arrive in Cuba between 20 – 30 August 2026 in order to do the preparatory studies in Spanish Language.**

**03. Terms of Award:**

- (a) Government of Cuba will pay for the Education of the Scholar, Accommodation, Food and Medical Care.
- (b) The cost of air ticket to Cuba and back should be borne by the student.
- (c) The Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education will provide a monthly allowance of US\$ 40 to Cuban scholarship recipients.

**04. Special Notes:**

- a) Candidates who are awarded this scholarship would not be considered for university admission process of the University Grants Commission of Sri Lanka.
- b) Scholarship conditions laid down in this notification may vary as per the criteria imposed by the Cuban Government without prior notice.
- c) **If any student declines the offer after the selection process, he/she shall not be considered for any future scholarships that offered by Ministry of Education Higher Education and Vocational Education.**
- d) Extension of the period of the scholarship will not be recommended by this Ministry.

**05. Applications:**

- a) Online application is available at: <https://foreignscholarships.mohe.gov.lk/>
- b) **The deadline of the submission of the application is 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026**
- c) **Applicants should submit only one application via online portal and not required to send the printed document by post.**
- d) Any statement in the application, which is found to be incorrect/false will liable to disqualification at any time and will lead to the withdrawal of the award.
- e) Any application which is incomplete in any respect or received late, will be rejected.

**06. Nominations & selections:**

- a) Short listed candidates will be called for a structured interview by the Ministry of Education, Higher Education and Vocational Education, Sri Lanka within short notice via email in due course.
- b) The Nomination will be forwarded to the Cuban Embassy in Sri Lanka and the final selection will be made by the Republic of Cuba as the awarding authority. No candidate should treat his/her nomination for this Scholarship as the confirmation of award is a matter entirely within the discretion of the awarding authority.
- c) Any form of canvassing either written or verbal will be considered as a disqualification for a scholarship.
- d) The final decision regarding the award rests solely at the discretion of the Secretary.

**Secretary**

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