STUDENT LEARNING ASSISTANCE SYSTEM ONLINE (SLAS ONLINE)
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The Student Learning Assistance System (SLAS Online) is a program that collects information regarding UP students' capacity to participate in academic activities. It is an online application portal that processes data on the Connectivity Options, Connectivity Situation, Financial Capacity, and Learning Assistance Requirements of students applying for learning and financial assistance.

The SLAS online can be accessed through https://slasonline.up.edu.ph/.

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Step 1. **Application**. The SLAS Online collects information from students needing learning and financial assistance through an application questionnaire. The OSFA sets the application dates during the Academic Year when eligible students may submit information.

Step 2. **Screening**. At the end of the application period, the SLAS Online assigns the applicants to unique groups. The groups are based on their Learning Assistance Needs (LAN) and estimated Household Income (ND, PD33/40, PD60, PD80, FD, FDS). The results serve as the basis for the grant of learning assistance and financial support to be extended by UP.

The assignment is based on the Financial Capacity of the student and their reported Connectivity Situation Connectivity Options. There are three (3) LAN categories in the SLAS Online – LAN 1, LAN 2, and LAN 3. Students belonging to the two (2) lowest Household Income categories (FD and FDS) may be assigned to either LAN 1 or LAN 2. All other students are grouped in LAN 3.

Step 3. **Appeals**. The appeals process is an optional portal to allow applicants to submit additional information about their present situation. In some instances, the applicant would like their final LAN and Household Income assignments reevaluated to consider information that may be unique to them. Applicants may file an appeal to report additional information for consideration by the University. The SLAS Online has an Appeal Portal that accepts appeals immediately after the Application Period. The CU's Committee on Scholarship and Financial Assistance (CSFA) evaluates information collected during the appeal phase. The CSFA decides the final LAN and Household Income category based on the new information submitted by the applicant when they file an appeal.

Step 4. **Referral**. Once students are assigned to their LAN and Household Income categories, the SLAS Online generates a list of students that the CU Student Affairs units can view. The list serves as the basis to facilitate the packaging of learning assistance services for students.

The SLAS Online is the primary tool to determine the learning assistance to be extended by UP under the Kaagapay sa Pag-aaral ng Iskolar ng Bayan. Once students are assigned to LAN categories, the SLAS Online information may be viewed by the CU Kaagapay sa Pag-aaral Coordinators to arrange their respective learning assistance packages as follows:

• Students in LAN 1 may be granted learning gadgets and internet connection subsidies.
• Students in LAN 2 may be given internet connection subsidy and priority in the grant of gadget subsidy funded by donations to the Kaagapay sa Pag-aaral program.

The grant of learning gadget and internet connection subsidies are subject to
(1) availability of funds and
(2) assessment of learning assistance needs by CU Kaagapay sa Pag-aaral Coordinators.

Grantees may also choose to opt out from the grant. Once the learning assistance grant is finalized, LAN 1 and 2 students will be asked to fill out separate forms to process learning assistance packages.

Table 1. Household Income Categories and LAN Categories of the SLAS Online

GIAP Financial Assistance	LAN Categories	Learning Assistance
FDS: Full Discount plus P5,000 Monthly Stipend	**LAN 1**	(may be granted learning gadgets and internet connection subsidies)
FD: Full Discount	**LAN 2** but maybe reclassified to **LAN 1** depending on Connectivity Situation and Connectivity Options	(may be given internet connection subsidy and priority in the grant of gadget subsidy funded by donations to the Kaagapay sa Pag-aaral program)
PD80: Partial Discount equivalent to 80% of Tuition	**LAN 3** but maybe reclassified to either **LAN 2** or **LAN 1** depending on Connectivity Situation and Connectivity Options	LAN 3 - refer applicants to other support services in UP e.g. tutorial services and non-financial support, such as accommodation services for specific disabilities.
PD60: Partial Discount equivalent to 60% of Tuition	**LAN 3**	
PD33 or **PD40**: Partial Discount equivalent to 33% of Tuition1 OR Partial Discount equivalent to 40% of Tuition2	**LAN 3**	
ND: No Tuition Discount	**LAN 3**	

Reference: Memorandum RAG 2021 - 32