



Armenian Communities Department

## **CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

### Calouste Gulbenkian Scholarship Program for Syrian Armenian Students in an emergency situation (2014-2015 ACADEMIC YEAR)

### <u>Eligibility</u>

Scholarships are awarded to candidates who are part of the Armenian community in Syria and have fled the country due to the war. Candidates shall apply for this scholarship if they have interrupted their university studies or would like to start their higher education.

Candidates must:

- Be a citizen, national or permanent resident qualified to hold a valid passport issued by the State of Syria and of Armenian origin
- Due to the crisis, be currently residing in another country outside Syria (excluding students studying in universities in Armenia as the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation funds a separate program for them)
- Be at least 18 years old
- Hold a higher education certificate, transcripts of marks at University or a higher secondary certificate (all disciplines)
- Have excellent academic performance
- Have financial needs to continue their education

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- Have strong interest in a professional qualification
- Have strong motivation to contribute to their community
- Not receive other grants or scholarships

If you meet the requirements above, please kindly send your application for a scholarship enabling you to continue your Higher Education or start it in the country you are currently living (except Armenia as the Armenian Communities Department of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation has a separate scholarship program for Syrian students in Armenia). It might happen that you will be offered a scholarship to study in another country.

The application form shall be accompanied by the following:

- ✓ Copy of your passport;
- Proof of the Armenian origin of the candidates through a copy of baptism certificate or equivalent;
- ✓ Copy of your certificates, diplomas and transcription of marks
- ✓ A brief description of the Armenian community in Syria and your participation in it;
- ✓ A brief explanation of how you may contribute to the Armenian Community globally in the future.

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The current call covers the 2014-2015 Academic Year. Scholarships are provided for one academic year. After one year, the scholarship can be renewed for another one or two years, if the student passed annual examinations for promotion to the next academic year. The aim is that students complete a full cycle of study.

This scholarship program is the outcome of joint efforts made by the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation and the Global Platform for Syrian Students, a Multi-Stake-Holders Initiative aimed at helping Syrian students to access higher education. This scholarship program will cover all tuition fees as well as living costs for the 2014-2015 Academic Year.

#### Application and Selection Procedure

Application forms should be sent to <u>aureliamartins@casadoregalo.pt</u> by 30 JUNE 2014 (midnight, London time).

Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by phone or skype by the Selection Committee composed of Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation and Global Platform for Syrian Students representatives.

The list of selected candidates will be available by 30 JULY 2014.

### Good luck!

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