



FOREIGN STUDENTS STUDYING IN MACEDONIAN LANGUAGE IN MACEDONIA

According to the Article 55 paragraph 1 of the Act for the Organization and Operation of the State Administration ("Official Gazette" br.58/00, 44/02, 82/08, 167/10 and 51/11), Article 49 of the Law on students standard ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Macedonia" no. 15/13, 30/13, 120/13 and 41/14) and Article 1 of the Rulebook on awarding scholarship for foreign students from nationalities which are of interest to the Republic of Macedonia ("Official Gazette" no. 169/13), the Ministry of Education and Science of The Republic of Macedonia announces this Call for Applications for students who will study at public Universities in the Republic of Macedonia, where the teaching language is Macedonian.

The scholarships are available to outstanding students, not older than 28 years, from Republic of Azerbaijan, People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Republic of Angola, Republic of Armenia, Republic of Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Federative Republic of Brazil, Kingdom of Cambodia, Republic of Cameroon, People's Republic of China, Republic of Croatia, Republic of Chad, Czech Republic, Republic of Cyprus, Kingdom of Denmark, Arab Republic of Egypt, Republic of Estonia, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Republic of Finland, Republic of Fiji, Gabonese Republic, Georgia, Republic of Ghana, Hellenic Republic, Hungary, State of Israel, Republic of India, Republic of Indonesia, Republic of Iraq, Japan, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Republic of Kazakhstan, State of Qatar, State of Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Republic of Latvia, Lebanese Republic, State of Libya, Republic of Lithuania, Malaysia, Republic of Mali, Kingdom of Morocco, United Mexican States, Republic of Moldova, Mongolia, Republic of Namibia, Kingdom of Norway, Sultanate of Oman, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, State of Palestine, Republic of Philippines, Republic of Poland, Portuguese Republic, State of Qatar, Romania, Russian Federation, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Slovak Republic, Republic of Slovenia, Republic of the Sudan, Kingdom of Sweden, Kingdom of Spain, Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, United Republic of Tanzania, Kingdom of Thailand, Republic of Tajikistan, Tunisian Republic, Turkmenistan, United Arab Emirates, United States of America, Republic of Uganda, Republic of Uzbekistan, Ukraine and Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

As eligible for the scholarship shall be considered candidates who:

1. Are currently enrolled in the final 4th year of secondary education or who possess a 4-year secondary education (high school) degree;
2. Have a return airplane ticket from/to the applicant's home country;
3. Are not older than 28 years of age;
4. Have a good knowledge of the English language.

The scholarship provides for:

- tuition fees, in full;
- visa and residence permit fees
- return air fare from the applicant's home country;
- accommodation and food (full board) in the University dorms;
- additional monthly allowance of 5000 MKD (approximately 120 USD);
- Free intensive course for learning Macedonian.

All interested candidates should refer to www.stipendii.mon.gov.mk and www.mon.gov.mk for more detailed information regarding the scholarships and the process for application.

The final deadline for application is 31.07.2015.

Documents to be submitted

Candidates are required to provide certified copies from the following original documents:

- Application Form
- Official high school diploma or certificate (where available);
- Official transcripts;
- Proof of English proficiency. All students whose first language is not English are required to provide evidence that their spoken and written command of the English language is appropriate.
- Official document certifying the candidate has no criminal convictions and is not under criminal investigation at the moment of application. Candidates should note that with the exception to some countries, these are two separate documents;
- Official general medical report, including medical tests for HIV and Hepatitis C;
- An electronic copy of the Passport which must be valid for the next 5 calendar years;
- In addition, as part of the application candidates are required to submit **two letters of recommendation** from two academic professors/teachers who are well acquainted with the candidate's academic abilities.

All submitted documents must be in English or certified translations in English.

Candidates should submit their application together with all supporting documents to the following address:

Ministry for Education and Science of the Republic of Macedonia

Saints Cyril and Methodius Street, No.54

1000 Skopje

Republic of Macedonia

All prospective candidates should note that in addition to sending the official copies of all required documents via post, they must also send scanned copies of the required documents to the following e-mail: biljana.zafirovska@mon.gov.mk.

Macedonian language course

Successful candidates will spend a semester (during the summer period) intensively studying the Macedonian language, in order to prepare themselves for a successful start of the academic year, which starts in the fall of 2015.

Additional information

- Applicants who have not completed their high school education by May 1, 2015 may receive a conditional offer for admission pending their high school diploma. Successful applicants must finalise their high school studies and submit their transcript and diploma no later than July 31, 2015;
- The selection process will be implemented by a five-member committee appointed by the Minister for Education and Science of the Republic of Macedonia;
- Successful applicants will sign a contract with the Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Macedonia. The contract will stipulate that the scholarship provides funds for the first academic year and subsequently for the rest of the two/three years of the undergraduate studies, provided that the student ends the first year of studies with satisfactory success rate;
- Additional information regarding the Universities and the programmes available in Macedonia can be found on the websites of the Universities:
 - University St. Cyril and Methodius –
Skopje: http://www.ukim.edu.mk/en_index.php
 - University St. Kliment Ohridski – Bitola: <http://www.uklo.edu.mk>
 - University Goce Delcev – Shtip: <http://www.ugd.edu.mk/index.php/en/>

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