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CALL FOR APPLICANTS

SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO NON-GREEK NATIONALS TO ATTEND COURSES AND SEMINARS IN GREECE IN THE MODERN GREEK LANGUAGE AND CULTURE (25th Programme, 2018-2019)

The State Scholarships Foundation (I.K.Y.) announces that it will offer up to fifty (50) scholarships to foreign nationals (non-Greek Nationals or non-Greek Nationals of Greek descent) from countries worldwide in order to attend courses and seminars in the Modern Greek Language and Culture.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY

Applicants should:

1. Be nationals of any country of the world excluding Greece (not with dual nationality – both foreign and Greek).
2. Hold a graduate degree from a non-Greek University outside Greece.
3. Not exceed the fortieth (40th) year of age until the 01/01/2018.
- 4. Be not permanent residents in Greece.**
5. The knowledge of the Greek language acquired during this specific course should contribute to enhance the candidates work opportunities and to promote the Greek language and culture in their countries.

Applicants must meet the above requirements by the application deadline.

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

1. An application form, duly completed, signed and with one recent photograph attached.
2. An up-to-date curriculum vitae according to the european template “Europass” (in English or Greek language).
3. Certified copies of University Diplomas – Degrees.

4. Certificates indicating the knowledge of Greek (if any) or English or French language.
5. Two (2) letters of reference (in Greek, English or French) by a University Professor.
6. A written evidence of employment as a teacher of Greek, if any.
7. A recent (issued 1 month approximately prior to the application submission) health certificate by a national hospital or from the relevant recognized health service stating that the applicant does not suffer from any infectious diseases.
8. A copy of a valid passport / national identity card.

The above original documentation requested shall be submitted through the Greek Diplomatic Authorities. The Greek Diplomatic Authorities will check the documents and send them to the IKY. Only the application form and the curriculum vitae shall also be submitted earlier (as word documents) to the email: foreigners@iky.gr.

Candidates that are in Greece just before the submission deadline are required to contact their Diplomatic Authorities in Greece.

Application forms are available from the Greek Diplomatic Mission or the I.K.Y. or as downloaded copy from the I.K.Y website at: www.iky.gr.

The application shall be submitted according to the annexes 1 or 2: application form in Greek or in English.

If the documentation is not in Greek a certified translation (by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities abroad) into Greek, English or French must be supplied.

In addition, documents numbered 3, 4, 7, and 8 should bear the Apostille or be certified by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities (the Embassy or Consulate) in cases where the candidate's state of origin is not a member of the Hague Convention (Apostille) of 5 October 1961 abolishing the requirement of legalisation for foreign public documents.

Applicants must submit only certified copies of the original documents, as these will not be returned.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Incomplete, inaccurate or illegible application files will not be taken into consideration.
- Applicants who are or have been on a scholarship by the I.K.Y. will be excluded from the programme with the exemption of ex-scholarship holders of the Modern Greek Language and Culture programme who wish to approve their Greek language competency.
- Candidates under legal prosecution will be excluded from the selection process.
- Applications by undergraduates who have not yet obtained their University degree will not be considered.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The **application deadline** is **19/11/2018 (November 19th, 2018)**. The original documentation along with the application and the curriculum vitae shall have a postal seal by this date.

The **electronic application deadline** (only the curriculum vitae and the application form) is **11/11/2018 (November 11th, 2018)**.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome on IKY website: **www.iky.gr**

DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The duration of this scholarship is **seven (7) months** and is only offered for a specific course in the Modern Greek language and culture organised mainly at one Greek University. The University, which will hold this course, will be decided by the I.K.Y after a selection process.

The courses will start on December 2018 and will end on June 2019.

COURSE OVERVIEW

a. Greek Language

This programme offers learning opportunities at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels following a placement test and subject to sufficient students' number.

b. History and Culture

Beneficiaries will be introduced to Greek History, Culture and Arts through seminars, educational visits to the sites of the city of study and excursions to other historic sites of Greece.

c. Cultural Programme

Cultural events are included in the course where an active participation is required.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The scholarship covers the following costs:

- a. Free meals and accommodation in University residence or in flats provided by the University which will undertake the programme.
- b. A monthly allowance of **150, 00€** (net amount) for personal expenses.
- c. **200, 00€** for initial expenses.
- d. Free emergency medical treatment under the Greek National Health Service (only in public hospitals). European citizens should have the European Insurance Illness Card from their insurance agency of their country.
- e. Tuition fees and other relevant costs.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Scholarship holders must regularly attend courses and participate in all activities of the programme of study.

On successful completion of the study programme, the Greek University will provide students with a certificate of attendance.