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CALL FOR APPLICANTS SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED TO FOREIGNERS TO ATTEND COURSES AND SEMINARS IN GREECE IN THE MODERN GREEK LANGUAGE AND CULTURE

(22nd Programme, 2013-2014)

The State Scholarships Foundation (I.K.Y.) announces that it will offer up to <u>fifty (50)</u> <u>scholarships</u> to foreigners (or foreign 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 must:

- 1. Be nationals of any country of the world except Greece.
- 2. Hold a graduate degree <u>from a foreign University in the fields of the Humanities, the Social and Political Sciences</u>. Eligible to apply are also university graduates who teach the Greek as a foreign language.
- 3. Not exceed the fortieth (40th) year of age (date of birth after 1973).
- 4. Have at least a basic knowledge of the Greek language.
- 5. Be not permanent residents in Greece.

Applicants must meet the above requirements by the application deadline.

DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

- 1. An application form with one recent photograph if any.
- 2. An up-to-date curriculum vitae.
- 3. Certified copies of University Diplomas Degrees.
- 4. Certificates indicating the knowledge of Greek (if any) and English or French language.
- 5. Two (2) letters of reference.
- 6. A written evidence of employment as a teacher of Greek, if any.

- 7. A recent health certificate by a state hospital or a certificate from the relevant national health service stating that the applicant does not suffer from any infectious diseases.
- 8. A copy of a valid passport/identity card (where applicable).

The application form with all documentation requested shall be submitted through the Greek Diplomatic Authorities or application forms and CV's via our electronic application system (www.iky.gr), whereas the remaining documentation is to be sent by post.

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

All the documentation submitted must be written or translated into Greek, English or French.

In addition, documents numbered 3, 4, 7, 8 and 9 must be certified by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities (the Greek Embassy or Consulate) only 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 <u>these will not be</u> <u>returned</u>. <u>Incomplete</u>, <u>inaccurate or illegible application files will not be taken into consideration</u>.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

The electronic application deadline is **10 July 2013**. The remaining documentation required has to be sent by **19 July 2013** by post.

Applicants will be notified of the outcome by a confirmation letter in September 2013.

DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP

The duration of this scholarship is no less than eight (8) months and is only offered for a specific course in the Modern Greek Language and Culture organised mainly at one of the following Greek Universities: Athens University, Thessaloniki University, Ioannina University, Patras University, Crete University. The University, which will hold this course, will be decided by the I.K.Y after the selection process.

START DATE

The courses will start on October 2013 and will end on May 2014.

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

COURSE OVERVIEW

a. Greek Language

This programme offers learning opportunities at beginner, intermediate (or upper intermediate) and advanced levels following a placement test and subject to sufficient students numbers.

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 the most historic sites of Greece.

c. Social Programme

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

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Applicants who are or have been on a scholarship by the I.K.Y. will be excluded from the programme.

Applications by undergraduates who have not yet obtained their University degree will <u>not</u> be considered.

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

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