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The Academy of Plato:
Pathways to knowledge

1st (FIRST) FOREIGNERS' FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAMME

ACADEMIC YEAR: OCTOBER 2012 - SEPTEMBER 2013

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF CANDIDATURES:

FEBRUARY 29th, 2012

The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens/Special Research Fund Account, in collaboration with the Alexander S. Onassis Foundation and the Alexander S. Onassis Foundation Cultural Center Non-Profit Organization (AMKE) announces the first (1st) annual Programme of research grants and educational scholarships *starting on October 1st, 2012* which is addressed to **non-Greek** 1) post-graduate students and Ph.D. candidates and 2) postdoctoral researchers (Ph.D. holders).

The programme is implemented within the framework of the action "Academy of Plato: Knowledge and pioneering ideas development", through the operational "**Lifelong Learning Programme**", co-financed by the European Union (European Social Fund, ESF) and Greek national funds (NSRF) 2007-2013).

FIELDS/SECTIONS OF RESEARCH OR STUDY

The Programme covers the following fields only:

- **Humanities: Philology, Linguistics, History, Art History and Theory, Archaeology, Philosophy**
- **Social Science: Political Sciences, Social Theory and Sociology, Political analysis, International and European Studies**
- **Arts: Visual Arts (Theory), Theatre, Cultural Heritage Management, Museology**

GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

The Programme covers post-graduate studies, doctoral studies and post-doctoral research **in Greece only** and in the **fields** stated in the above paragraph only.

Eligible to participate are the following candidates:

- a) Persons of ***non Greek descent***.
- b) ***Persons of Greek descent (second generation and on)*** who have obtained a degree outside of Greece and are permanently residing outside of Greece ***for more than fifteen (15) years***.
- c) Non-Greek Post-doctoral researchers

The decision to authorize each application for a grant or scholarship is left to the absolute discretion of the Board of Directors of the Foundation, which takes into account the recommendations of the Foundation's Scientific Committee. The minutes of the meetings of the Board and all recommendations of the Committee are confidential and under no circumstances will they be communicated to the applicants. The submission of an application equals acceptance of all the conditions of the Announcement.

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APPLICATION FORMS / DEADLINE

ANNOUNCEMENT & NOMINATION/ APPLICATION FORM

Copies of the Announcement and the relevant nomination/application forms are available

- **Monday to Friday, 10:00-15:00 hrs.** at the **Foreigners' Fellowships Department of the Representative of the Onassis Foundation, 7 Aeschinou Street, 105 58 Plaka, Athens**
- by regular mail to the interested parties, upon their request and after written indication of the relevant address. Please contact the Foreigners' Fellowships Department **by post, fax (0030 210 3713013) or e-mail: ffp@onassis.gr**, to request this material.
- by e-mail, as attachments (please write to ffp@onassis.gr)
- at the Foundation's web site: www.onassis.gr.
- at the University of Athens' website: www.uoa.gr

In case you ask for the form by mail, please indicate clearly a) the category of grant/scholarship you are interested in and b) your complete postal or e-mail address

DEADLINE

**FEBRUARY 29,
2012**

The deadline for the submission of the application file is **FEBRUARY 29, 2012** (date as per postmark). The application files can either be sent online or by registered mail at the Foundation's offices or handed in at the Foundation's Foreigners' Fellowships Department (address above) in person or by representative, from **Monday to Friday 10:00-15:00 hrs.** Applications sent after the above-mentioned deadline **will not be accepted.** **Applicants will be informed of the results electronically by the end of July 2012.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

No candidacy will be taken in for examination unless accompanied by **all** of the required supporting documents (***including the recommendation letters***).

1. The letters of recommendation must be **strictly addressed to the Alexander S. Onassis Public Benefit Foundation**, Foreigners' Fellowships Programme. Please note that **photocopies of letters of recommendation will not be accepted.** The letters can be included in the candidate's file or be sent directly to the Foundation by the referees.
2. Any correspondence with the Foundation as well as the nomination/application forms and all supporting documents, i.e. certificates, letters of recommendation, degrees, diplomas, university transcripts etc. must be written and submitted in **Greek, English or French**. Otherwise, they **must be translated** into one of those languages and the copies must be legalised by Public Authority.
3. The submitted supporting documents **will not be returned.** Applicants are kindly requested to submit **copies**, legalised by Public Authority, on A4 paper size [297x210mm].
4. All applicants are kindly requested to send their applications to the Foundation **directly** and not through private or public institutions or organisations.
5. **Former Fellows** of the Foreigners' Fellowships Programme of the Onassis Foundation can apply to this programme by submitting all the requested documents.
6. Extension of the scholarship beyond the time limitation for each category, as stated in the announcement, is not possible.
7. The scholarship cannot be transferred to or postponed for future academic years.



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CATEGORY I

RESEARCH GRANTS

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCHERS (PH.D HOLDERS)

Number of Grants: Up to two [2]

Duration: 12 months during the academic year Oct. 2012–Sept. 2013

Addressed to Ph.D. holders

Postdoctoral Researchers who wish to visit Greece in order to conduct scholarly research or to collaborate with educational or research institutions and organization on a specific research project.

Age limit: Forty [40] years old

Condition: For a Category I grant, all applicants should have already completed their Ph.D. The grantees of Category I will be invited, on a case by case basis, to deliver a lecture during their stay in Greece, either at the Onassis Cultural Centre of Athens or at a University or another research or cultural centre. The grantee will be asked, on a case by case basis, to offer a seminar within the framework of an undergraduate or postgraduate programme at a Greek University.

Subject of Research: The proposed research subject should be either directly related to Greek culture, civilization and history or have an obvious social return for Greece and be covered by this Programme (see p. 1).

Requirements:

- The proposed research subject has to be an officially accredited programme.
- The grantees are bound to publish a scientific article or a chapter in a collective work or a book, dealing with findings deduced from their research, within a period of twenty four (24) months from the completion of their grant. The Onassis Foundation or the NSRF must be mentioned on the publication as funders of the research.
- A specific collaboration with a Full Professor or an Assistant Professor of a Greek University

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS IN CATEGORY AI

1. **The application form** (see *Nomination/Application Forms-Deadline*)
2. **A copy of the passport page** where your birth date is mentioned
3. **One (1) passport size photograph**
4. **A letter** including the following information:
 - The title, purpose and specific object of the research that the grantee intends to conduct in Greece. Additionally, the grantee must mention why it is judged necessary for him/her to carry out research in Greece
 - Specific officially accredited research programme publication plan/schedule
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 - Specific collaboration with a Full Professor from a Greek Public University
 - Any research in Greece already completed or in which you are currently involved
 - Any previous collaboration with Universities or Institutions in Greece
 - The University or Institution and the Greek colleagues you will collaborate with
 - The proposed period and place(s) of research in Greece. Please indicate whether travel within Greece will be necessary for your research and include a project plan of the trips you intend to make in Greece. While outlining your plan, please keep in mind that the month of August is not covered by the grant
 - Knowledge of Modern or Ancient Greek. Knowledge of the Greek language, whenever not necessary by definition for scholarly purposes, is not a prerequisite. However, elementary knowledge of the Greek language will be favourably taken into consideration
5. **An acceptance letter** from a Full Professor of a Greek Public University stating his/her agreement to collaborate with the candidate on the specific project
6. **A letter of the university that supports the research proposal**
7. **Four (4) recommendation letters** from Greece (if possible) and/or abroad. In case the candidate does not have academic contacts in Greece, 4 recommendation letters from abroad can be provided.
8. All candidates should include a photocopy of their Ph.D. degree
9. A certification of employment by the University or Research Centre where the candidate teaches, stating his exact academic position (if applicable)
10. **A detailed Curriculum Vitae/** List of publications



PROVISIONS OF THE RESEARCH GRANTS - CATEGORY I

1. **A monthly allowance of One Thousand Five Hundred Euros (€ 1.500)** for subsistence, accommodation and all other expenses.

NOTE:

1. The Foundation and the SNFR wish to advise the applicants that they will not extend any facilitation other than the described above, under any circumstances whatsoever.
2. No allowance is provided to the grantee's spouse or dependents.
3. Extension of the scholarship beyond the time limitation for each category, as stated in the announcement, is not possible
4. The scholarship cannot be transferred to or postponed for future academic years.

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CATEGORY II EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS & Ph.D CANDIDATES

Number of scholarships: Ten [10]

Duration: Twelve [12] months during the acad. year Oct. 2012–Sept. 2013

Addressed to: Postgraduate Students & Ph.D. Candidates

Age Limit: Thirty [30] years old

Conditions: a) the field of study should be covered by the Programme (see p. 1) b) at the time of application the applicants should be enrolled in a postgraduate course (Master's, M.Phil., Ph.D.) at a University either outside Greece or in Greece c) the scholarships are offered for research in Greece only

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF CANDIDATURES IN CATEGORY II

1. **The application form** (*see Nomination/Application Forms-Deadline*)
2. **One (1) passport size photograph**
3. **Official copies of all university diploma(s)/degree(s)**, with final grade(s), **translated into either Greek, English or French and legalized by Public Authority**
4. **Official transcript or university record** showing grades obtained in each course for all previous years of study, where the final grade of the diploma / degree is clearly stated
5. **A certificate from the University** where the applicant is currently enrolled, attesting that he/she is enrolled for postgraduate studies/doctoral diploma and the exact title of the post-graduate thesis or the doctoral dissertation
6. **Official certificate attesting adequate knowledge of the Greek language.** Please contact the relevant university departments or language schools or Greek embassy offices in your country for more information. Please note that basic knowledge of the Greek language is a **necessary prerequisite** for applying, unless the applicant can prove that the research can be conducted in another language. The certificate can be submitted at a later date, but no later than **March 31st, 2012.**
7. **From three (3) to four (4) original recommendation letters** in Greek, English or French, from your Supervising Professor(s) from the institution where you are currently pursuing your postgraduate studies or doctoral dissertation, justifying your research in Greece, which should be addressed to the Alexander S. Onassis Public Benefit Foundation, Foreigners' Fellowships Programme and from qualified persons in Greece. In case you have no contact with any persons in Greece, you may send from three (3) to four (4) recommendation letters (in total) from University Professors or qualified persons outside Greece
8. A complete Curriculum Vitae



PROVISIONS OF THE EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS, CATEGORY II

1. **A monthly allowance of One Thousand Euros (€ 1.000.-)** for subsistence, accommodation and all other expenses

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