

## FAQ

### SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2020/2021

**1. When do applications close?**

The closing date for submitting applications is on 28 April 2020. Applicants must send all required documents by registered post by that date.

**2. Do I have to complete the application in Greek or can it be in English?**

The application itself must be in Greek however you may write the cover letter either in Greek or in English.

**3. Can I submit a scholarship application while I am waiting for a letter of acceptance?**

The letter of acceptance from the university must be included in the supporting documents and received before the application deadline.

**4. If I'm currently enrolled in the first year of a two-year postgraduate program is it possible to apply for a scholarship for the second year of study?**

Yes, as long as the letter from the university (submitted with the application) clearly states the duration of your studies and current status of enrolment.

**5. If I am applying for a scholarship for further postgraduate studies and I already hold a postgraduate degree will it affect my chances for a scholarship?**

No.

**6. Are the scholarships for doctoral studies (Ph.D) only for those studying at universities abroad?**

The scholarship program is open to those pursuing doctoral studies (Ph.D) at universities both in Greece and abroad.

**7. Does the postgraduate program have to be an MFA or can it be an MA?**

Both MA and MFA programs are eligible as long as they correspond to the categories and subject areas stipulated in the open call.

**8. Does the scholarship cover programs that commence in January as well as September?**

Yes. Both start dates are eligible.

**9. When applying for a scholarship for doctoral studies (Ph.D) should I mention any proposed travel and fieldwork?**

It is not necessary to mention travel and fieldwork, however if these are undertaken, they must be relevant to the area of research described in the application.

**10. Can I apply for a scholarship to undertake a diploma or degree course not mentioned in the open call?**

Eligible postgraduate courses are outlined in the open call and must be strictly adhered to.

**11. Are graduates of private universities pursuing doctoral studies (Ph.D) abroad eligible for NEON's scholarship program?**

Graduates of private universities can apply for NEON's scholarship program provided they have a minimum grade of 3,5/4.

**12. If my graduate or postgraduate degree grade is lower than what is outlined in the open call, will it affect my chance for a scholarship?**

Yes, all terms and conditions outlined in the open call should be met in full.

**13. Who should write the academic reference for doctoral studies (Ph.D) applications?**

The academic reference may be written by any academic who is familiar with your academic record.

**14. To whom should the academic reference be addressed to?**

The academic reference should be addressed to The Evaluation Committee, NEON Organization.

**15. Can I send the academic reference with the other supporting documents?**

You can send the academic reference together with the other supporting documents provided that it is in a separate, sealed envelope.

**16. Can the academic reference be sent separately?**

The academic reference may also be sent separately from the rest of the documents but this must be stated in the application and the reference must be received by NEON before the application deadline.

**17. Can I include a second academic reference in my application?**

You may include a second academic reference which will be accepted by NEON if it is thought to reflect your ability and progress more accurately.

**18. Is it possible to exceed the stated amount of the scholarship?**

The scholarship awarded will not exceed the amount stated in the open call (€10,000).

**19. How long will it be before the scholarship money is deposited?**

The amount should be deposited within approximately six months of the announcement of successful applicants (providing that all eligibility criteria have been met and the necessary documentation has been received by NEON).

**20. Is VAT included in the amount of the scholarship?**

The scholarship is provided as a net amount, excluding VAT.