The Armenian Communities department of the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation encourages young students of Armenian origin from less developed countries (e.g. Lebanon and other countries in the Middle East) to obtain higher education degrees in any field at a recognized university in their own countries. Up to forty new scholarships will be provided per year for a maximum of three years. Each scholarship will be for a fixed sum of 2200 € or 2500 USD.

Requirements for eligibility

Candidates wishing to apply for a *Calouste Gulbenkian Undergraduate Studies Scholarship* must meet the following requirements:

- Be of Armenian origin
- Be no more than 25 years old at the time of the application
- Have outstanding examination and/or school results
- Be enrolled or accepted in a higher education institution, duly recognized by the local national authorities
- Candidates must declare to the Foundation if they receive other scholarships to obtain their degrees.

If you do not meet these requirements then you are unlikely to be successful in your application.
Selection criteria

The students will be selected through a competitive process, based on merit, by the staff of the Armenian Communities Department.

Conditions for maintaining the Calouste Gulbenkian Undergraduate Studies Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded for one academic year paid in a single instalment. Students must apply for the renewal of the scholarship — if the letter of agreement so stipulates — on a yearly basis, for a maximum period of three academic years, if satisfactory progress is made in the chosen studies. They must submit transcripts and/or reports of progress attesting to the advancement of their studies.

The scholarship may be terminated for the breach of the terms of the agreement to be signed by the successful applicants with the Foundation. In this case the candidate must reimburse the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation the amount received.

Application documents

- A copy of the candidate’s passport (main page with personal data)
- Birth or baptism certificate, or an equivalent document attesting to the Armenian heritage, translated into English, if the original is not in English, French or Portuguese
- Attested copies of academic certificates obtained and grade-sheets (last academic year), with grades’ clarification letter, translated into English, if originals are not in English or French or Portuguese
- A motivation letter (max. 1 page), including why the applicant chose his/her respective field of study
- A brief *curriculum vitae*
- A statement outlining the applicant’s commitment to contribute to the Armenian community during their studies and/or upon graduation.
Application

Applications must be filled out online at:


The application process for the 2019-2020 academic year will open on the 1st of April 2019 and the deadline for applications is the 30th of June 2019 (midnight, London time). Applicants will be informed of the decision during the month of July 2019.

Questions and further information: carmenias@gulbenkian.pt

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1 We strongly advise candidates not to wait until the last few days before applying.