



EU SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE TURKISH CYPRIOT COMMUNITY

ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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No.	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	I am a Turkish Cypriot living and studying in Turkey. Can I make an application to study in Cyprus.	<p>No. As per Section 2 'Terms and Conditions' of the Guidelines, applicants in all categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• must belong to the Turkish Cypriot community• must be born in Cyprus or one of the parents must be born in Cyprus• must be a resident in Cyprus <p>Applicants can choose to study in any of the 28 EU Member States including the Republic of Cyprus.</p>
2	I am contacting to you to learn whether I must bring the necessary documents for the application to your office or is only the online application is enough?	<p>No. As per Section 4 'Application Process' of the Guidelines, no hard copy application form and documents are required. A passport size photo, a copy of personal identification document with photo (ID or passport) and relevant eligibility documents (see section 8 of the Guidelines) will be uploaded on the portal electronically while submitting the application form.</p>
3	I got your scholarship in 2009 and made my master in Italy and I would like to apply again. Is it possible to apply again?	<p>Please refer to Section 2.1 of the Guidelines: 'General Eligibility Criteria for all Applicants' of the Guidelines where it clearly states that all applicants in all categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Must not have benefited from the EU Scholarship Programme in 2017/18 and 2018/19 academic years. Those who benefited from the EU Scholarship Programme in academic years 2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17 are eligible to re-apply provided that they apply for another category in another country, i.e. if previously benefitted to study undergraduate studies in the UK, they cannot apply again for undergraduate studies and they cannot apply for a course/programme/training in the UK. A score reduction methodology will be applied for those who benefitted from the EU scholarship programme and re-applying (see section 5.4 for the methodology applied)
4	If the subject I want to study is not within the	Please refer to Section 1.3 (Priority Areas) of

	<p>priority areas, can I apply for a scholarship?</p>	<p>the Guidelines. There are no limits on the choice of subject area under this programme. Applicants are welcome to apply in any subject area; however, a list of priority areas has been identified in consultation with relevant stakeholders. Applicants who choose a subject that falls under the identified priority areas for their studies will receive extra scores. See section 5.4 for details on score promotion methodology which will be used for priority subjects.</p> <p>While applicants are making an online application, they can will be able to see/select the list of priority subject areas while selecting their subject area.</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>In the guidelines it states the Written test and Motivation letter can be taken in Turkish or English. Are there any advantages in choosing English?</p>	<p>No. The tests can be taken either in English or Turkish. However, once an application form is submitted no changes can be made on the choice of language for the tests. Sample tests and tips on the VNVS are on the website. To access the sample tests and tips in both English and Turkish please click here. <i>To switch between languages on your electronic device, please click on the language button on the top right side of your computer screen.</i></p>
<p>6</p>	<p>I am a high school graduate and am interested in short term language courses. However, while filling in the online application form, a question regarding higher education and when I answered none of the above' I get a message that I do not meet the eligibility criteria. Why is this?</p>	<p>Eligibility Criteria for STP: In addition to the general eligibility criteria listed in section 2.1 of the Guidelines, all applicants applying for a short term programme;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must have minimum 3 cumulative years of work experience in northern part of Cyprus between <u>1 January 2014 and 13 April 2019 (for professionals only)</u> • Should have <u>at least 7 cumulative years</u> of full-time education in primary, secondary or high school in Cyprus or in a university/higher education institution in northern part of Cyprus. If the applicant is enrolled as a student for the current academic year (i.e. 2018/19), the current academic year will count towards attaining the 7 years (for postgraduate students and recent PhD graduates only). • Must hold at least a high school diploma to follow training/internship/language course, at least a university degree to conduct research, and PhD/doctorate degree for post-doctoral studies / research (for all STP applicants)
<p>7</p>	<p>I am currently studying in the UK and cannot afford to purchase a ticket to attend the Written Tests on 20 April 2019. Therefore, I would like to ask if it is possible to arrange for me to take the tests in the UK?</p>	<p>No. As per page 10, Section 5.1 of the Guidelines it clearly states: “All applicants submitting an online application will be invited to sit for the written tests which will be administered on Saturday 20 April 2019 in Nicosia. The venue and time of the tests will be announced in the letter of confirmation that the applicants will receive via e-mail. This information will also be announced on the website in due course.</p> <p>Candidates should ensure that they are</p>

		available in person to take the tests in Cyprus on the designated date as <u>no</u> exceptions will be made.”
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