

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR OBTAINING A SCHOLARSHIP FOR ROMANIANS FROM ABROAD

### I. GENERAL QUESTIONS

#### 1. Who are the *Romanians from abroad*?

According to the Law No. 299/2007 regarding the support offered to *Romanians from abroad*, republished with the subsequent alterations and addenda, the Romanians from abroad are:

- a) The persons who freely assume the Romanian cultural identity, the persons of Romanian descent along with the persons who belong to the Romanian linguistic and cultural vein, who live outside the Romanian borders, regardless of their ethnonim (*armâni, armânji, aromâni, basarabeni, bucovineni, cuțovlahi, daco-români, fărșeroți, herțeni, istro-români, latini dunăreni, macedoromâni, macedo-români, maramureșeni, megleniți, megleno-români, moldoveni, moldovlahi, rrâmâni, rumâni, valahi, vlahi, vlasi, volohi, macedo-armânji*), as well as all the other lexical forms semantically related to the afore-mentioned ones.
- b) The Romanians who emigrated, regardless of their keeping or not keeping of the Romanian citizenship, their descendants, along with the Romanian citizens who have permanent domicile or residency abroad.

#### 2. How do I need to prove my Romanian cultural identity?

The required document is an Affidavit, based on the free will of the petitioner, with regard to their assumption of the Romanian cultural identity (authenticated either by the diplomatic mission of Romania in the state of origin or by the Ministry for Romanians from Abroad), in keeping with the legislation in force.

The template is available [here](#).

#### 3. Which type of scholarships are offered to the Romanians from abroad in the state-funded higher education institutions?

The Romanians from abroad may continue their studies in the Romanian state-funded institutions of higher education on academic places as following:

- a) *Academic places with no tuition fee and a scholarship. The studies shall be carried out exclusively in Romanian language.*
- b) *Academic places with no tuition fee and without a scholarship. The studies shall be carried out exclusively in Romanian language.*

**4. Can I have access to the Romanian language preparatory year?**

The Romanians from abroad declared admitted to bachelor studies who do not know Romanian language - may choose to attend a preparatory year of Romanian language, organized in a number of universities, according to the legal provisions in force.

**5. Which are the higher education institutions organizing the Romanian language preparatory year?**

For the academic year 2017-2018, the higher education institutions organizing the Romanian language preparatory year are published on the website of the Romanian Ministry of National Education- [Annex 1](#).

**6. How can I prove my prior knowledge of Romanian language attained within non-formal or informal contexts?**

Romanians from abroad who achieved Romanian language competences within non-formal or informal contexts may obtain the certification of these competences through an evaluation.

**7. Where can this evaluation be organized?**

The evaluation and the attestation may be organized, based on a series of transparent procedures, either within the accredited higher education institutions that organize the Romanian language preparatory year for foreign students, or abroad, through the Romanian language lectorates established by the [Romanian Language Institute](#) or through the [Romanian Cultural Institute](#).

**8. What is the required minimum level regarding the knowledge of the Romanian language?**

The minimum level required is B1.

**9. Who is exempted from presenting the result of the evaluation related to the Romanian language competences?**

The following categories of citizens are exempted from presenting the result pertaining to the evaluation of the Romanian language competence, for enrolling to study programs conducted in Romanian language: the persons who present Romanian study documents (diplomas and certificates) or study documents, school situations that prove at least 4 consecutive years of studies attended in Romanian language, in a education unit/higher education institution within the national system of Romania or from abroad, as well as the citizens who present certificates or attestations of linguistic competency of a minimum B1 level, issued by the Romanian Language Institute.

## II. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BACHELOR STUDIES

***A number of academic places with no tuition fee and a scholarship and Academic places with no tuition fee and without a scholarship*** are allocated for the Romanians from abroad for the academic year 2017-2018.

### **10. What documents shall comprise the application file to studies within Romanian state-funded institutions of higher education?**

- a) Copy of the birth certificate;
- b) Copy of the passport, valid at least 6 months from the start of the study program chosen by the candidate - copy of the first 3 pages;
- c) Copy of the Marriage Certificate, wherever the case;
- d) Affidavit, based on the free will of the petitioner, with regard to their assumption of the Romanian cultural identity, authenticated either by the diplomatic mission of Romania in the state of origin or by the Ministry for Romanians from Abroad, in keeping with the legislation in force, according to Annex no. 3;
- e) Copy of the graduation diploma of the education level that allows the access to Bachelor studies, according to Annex 5 of the Methodology-Translation into Romanian, English or French where the case;
- f) Copies of the school/academic transcripts of the education level attained- Translation into Romanian, English or French where the case;
- g) Copy of Recommendation or the approval of the local religious leaders, for the candidates to the admission to theological higher education, where the case.
- h) Other documents requested by the state-funded higher education institutions, according to their own methodology of admission for the requested level of study, where the case.

### **11. Which is the procedure of selection applicable for the scholarships offered?**

- a) Submit the application files to the university/universities chosen;
- b) The admission of the candidates from all the countries shall be accomplished based on a contest of application files, according to the criteria established by each higher education institution.
- c) Each admitted candidate shall confirm only one place of study, by conveying to the higher education institution the form comprised in [Annex no 4](#) of the Methodology by the means communicated by each higher education institution.
- d) The matriculation may be conditioned upon the promotion of the aptitudes tests, organized by the higher education institutions in the fields of arts and sport, where the case.

### III. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MASTER STUDIES

#### **12. Which candidates are eligible to enroll master studies?**

The Romanians from abroad who graduated from an accredited Bachelor studies program are eligible to enroll master studies.

#### **13. What documents shall comprise the application file to studies within Romanian state-funded and accredited private institutions of higher education?**

Every higher education institution has a list of documents that should be submitted for the application. Please contact the university/universities for the content of the application form.

#### **14. What is the procedure of selection applicable for the scholarships offered?**

The selection of the candidates is conducted within the higher education institutions, according with their own specific methodologies of admission. Please contact the university/universities for the deadlines and admission requirements.

### IV. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DOCTORAL STUDIES

#### **15. Which candidates are eligible to enroll the contest to doctoral studies?**

The Romanians from abroad who graduated from an accredited long-term Bachelor studies program (prior to the Bologna Process), those who graduated from **accredited master studies** obtained in Romania, in the Republic of Moldova or in other EU or non-EU states, are eligible to enroll doctoral studies.

#### **16. What documents shall comprise the application file to studies within Romanian state-funded and accredited private institutions of higher education?**

Every higher education institution has a list of documents that should be submitted for the application. Please contact the university/universities for the content of the application form.

#### **17. What is the procedure of selection applicable for the scholarships offered?**

The selection of the candidates is conducted within the higher education institutions, according with their own specific methodologies of admission. Please contact the university/universities for the deadlines and admission requirements.

## V. SCHOLARSHIPS FOR POST-GRADUATE MEDICAL STUDIES

### 18. Which candidates are eligible to enroll the programme?

- a) Romanians from abroad holding a Bachelor diploma (specialization: Medicine, Dental Medicine and Pharmacy), obtained either in Romania and in other EU-member state or in a state member of European Economic Area and the Swiss Confederation.
- b) The candidates from the Republic of Moldova, holding a Bachelor diploma in **Medicine or Pharmacy**, obtained within the “Nicolae Testemițanu” University of Medicine and Pharmacy from Chișinău, who graduated in the course of the last 5 years, are eligible to enlist the exam.

### 19. What documents shall comprise the application file to studies within Romanian state-funded and accredited private institutions of higher education?

The application file shall comprise the documents requested by the organizing center for the exam, designated by the Ministry of Health, in keeping with its specific regulations.

### 20. What is the procedure of selection applicable for the scholarships offered?

- a. The file shall be deposited directly at the headquarters of the university, designated by the Ministry of Health;
- b. The candidates opt for the places assigned by the ministry of national education, enlist and take the national contest, organized by the Ministry of Health, in the same period and the same conditions as the Romanian citizens, in keeping with the Methodology on organizing the *national post graduate medical studies contest*, elaborated annually by the ministry of health and approved by the decree of the minister of health.
- c. The candidates who achieve the minimum grades for promotion of the National Contest of Residency shall be declared eligible for their assignment to medical specialties.
- d. The assigning to medical specialties shall be conducted by the Ministry of National Education, by observing the minimum grades allotted to each medical specialization attained by the Romanian citizens, based on the approval of the accredited higher education institution with medical profile, as well as the approval of the coordinating/speciality professor.