



HOPES Scholarship program for refugees from Syria funded by the EU 'Madad' Fund

Announcement for Bachelor Degree Scholarships in Egypt

The project HOPES (**H**igher and **F**urther **E**ducation **O**pportunities and **P**erspectives for **S**yrrians), funded by the EU's Regional Trust Fund in response to the Syrian Crisis, the 'Madad Fund' and implemented by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), the British Council, Campus France and Nuffic, is pleased to announce the second intake of its scholarship program for refugees from Syria in Egypt.

The project provides refugees of post-secondary age from Syria and young people in host communities in Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, and Turkey with the opportunity to access higher education in the host countries and to contribute to the preparation of the post-crisis reconstruction of Syria.

The HOPES scholarship covers the two years of undergraduate Bachelor's degree for students already enrolled at university and a remaining study duration of not more than two years. Extension to the second year is subject to the demonstration of satisfactory performance during the first year of funding the Bachelor's Degree program.

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for application, a candidate must:

1. be a refugee from Syria;
2. be under 32 years old;
3. hold a valid refugee permit issued by UNHCR;
4. have successfully completed a High School degree from a recognized governmental school;
5. have no other financial means of support for obtaining the Bachelor's degree;
6. being enrolled at an Egyptian governmental university for full time Bachelor's degree studies and having not more than two years left for graduation.

*Women are encouraged to apply.

Required Documents for Application

1. **HOPES scholarship application form.**
The form is available on the HOPES website: <https://www.hopes-madad.org>
2. **A valid copy of UNHCR Asylum seeker certificate** or proof of registration by the UNHCR.
3. Copies of **High School Diploma and transcripts**. Originals must be shown to the HOPES selection committee during the interview should the applicant be shortlisted.
4. Original copy of the **Bachelors' degree acceptance/registration letter** for the academic year 2017/2018
5. An original transcript of the last semester
6. An original statement from the university which states the tuition fees for the academic year 2017-2018.



The selection procedures:

The selection process involves several steps:

1. Applications are received until **3 August 2017** and assessed for compliance with the eligibility criteria.
2. Short listed candidates are invited for an interview with the HOPES selection committee
Please note that the travel expenses for participation in the interviews cannot be covered.
3. Selected candidates are informed by telephone and in writing of the committee's decision during **August 2017**.

HOPES scholarship covers the following:

1. Annual registration/tuition fees.
2. Living allowance for basic expenses, such as food, local travel and rent during the semester.

After filing the application, kindly submit it with the requested documents either:

- > Electronically to the following e-mail address: Egypt@hopes-madad.org
- > As hard copy to one of the following addresses:
 - **British Council-City Stars branch in Cairo:** City Stars, Phase 1, Floor 6 Heliopolis Cairo.
 - **British Council-Agouza branch in Cairo:** 192 El Nil Street Agouza Cairo
 - **British Council-Alexandria branch:** 11 Mahmoud Abou El Ela, Kafr Abdo, Alexandria

To the attention of: Nancy Fanous-HOPES Educational Project Manager-The British Council.

Please note that you may only submit ONE application – either electronically or in hardcopy.

For more information:

For inquiries about the HOPES scholarship, please contact us through:

- > **E-mail:** Egypt@hopes-madad.org or nancy.fanous@hopes-madad.org
- > **Telephone No:** +20(0)1023499207 from Sunday to Thursday (9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.)