

## **ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDIES IN GREECE FOR THE MODERN GREEK LANGUAGE AND CULTURE**

**(15th Programme, 2006-2007)**

The State Scholarships Foundation (I.K.Y.) announces that it will offer up to sixty (60) scholarships to foreigners or foreign nationals of Greek descent from Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australia or Europe in order to attend courses and seminars of the Modern Greek Language and Culture.

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must:

1. Be nationals of Asia, Africa, North and South America, Australia or Europe.
2. Hold a graduate degree from a foreign University in Humanities (Archaeology, Educational Studies, Ethnology, Folklore, History, Linguistics, Literature, Philology, Philosophy, Psychology, Theatrology, Theology, Sociology, Translation).
3. Not exceed fifty (50) years of age. (Date of birth not before 1955).
4. Have basic knowledge of the Greek language.

### **DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED**

Applicants meeting the above requirements until the submission deadline should submit through the Greek Diplomatic Authorities the following documents:

1. An application form with one recent photograph.
2. A curriculum vitae.
3. A birth certificate.
4. A health certificate by a state hospital.
5. University Diplomas - Degrees.
6. A certificate of previous employment, if there is any.
7. Official certificates indicating the knowledge of Greek or English.
8. Two letters of recommendation.
9. A copy of your passport.

All the above - mentioned documents must be written or translated into Greek or English or French. In addition documents numbered 3, 4, 5, 7 and 9 should be officially validated by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities (The Greek Embassy or Consulate).

Applicants must submit only validated photocopies of the required documents and not originals because the submitted documents will not be returned. Incomplete, inaccurate or illegible application dossiers lead to disqualification from consideration.

Applicants who are or have been scholarship holders of I.K.Y. will be excluded from the programme.

Applications by undergraduates who have not yet obtained their University degree will not be considered.

### **SUBMISSION DATE**

The submission deadline is February 28, 2006.

Applicants will have been informed of the results through the Greek Diplomatic Authorities after June 2006.

### **DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP**

The duration of the scholarship is eight months (8 months) and the scholarship is offered only for the attendance of courses and seminars of the Modern Greek Language and Culture in a Greek University.

The courses start on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October 2006 and finish on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May 2007.

At the completion of the programme of studies the Greek University offers a special certificate of attendance.

### **FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

The scholarship provides:

- a. Free feeding and accommodation.
- b. Tuition fees and other running costs.
- c. Free medical care in case of emergency.
- d. A monthly allowance of 150,00 Euros (net amount of money) for personal expenses.
- e. 200,00 Euros for initial expenses.

### **OBLIGATIONS OF THE SCHOLARS**

Scholarship holders must attend regularly the courses and must participate in all the activities of the programme of studies.

They must also submit to I.K.Y. a declaration (validated by the Greek Diplomatic Authorities) that they commit themselves to return to their native countries and work there for at least five years; otherwise, they must pay back the total amount of the scholarship. The Greek Diplomatic Authorities are responsible for ensuring that the scholarship holders do, in fact return and stay in their native countries.

Athens, November 22, 2005