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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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Bellaterra Campus UAB (Cerdanyola del Vallès)

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- How many awards will be given?

For this selection cycle, up to three candidacies will be funded. Those include both PhD and master's positions.

- Is there an age limit to be eligible?

No. Although our mission focuses on empowering Syrian, Iraqi and Kurdish youth, we welcome applicants of all ages.

- I'm married and/or have children. Am I eligible?

Yes, but FAS and UAB do not sponsor family members.

- If awarded the scholarship, can the funding support my husband and/or children?

Unfortunately, not. The scholarship is intended to support only the scholar herself. Due to limited resources, UAB, FAS and NOVACT cannot provide any financial or location assistance for your family, including help with visa arrangements.

- Do I need to prove my English level?

Each candidate is responsible for checking the documentation and requirements specified in the desired program. The level and documentation of English language proficiency to be demonstrated will depend on each program.

- Do I need to apply for admission to the Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona before submitting my application?

No. There is no need for a separate application. You are only required to send your application to fas.acollida@uab.cat with the required documentation and the completed online form.

- I am having trouble obtaining my undergraduate degree documents as proof of attendance and/or graduation. Can I still apply?

Yes, in the first phase of the procedure, supporting documents will be accepted in unofficial format and in the language of origin, with the understanding that official documents must be submitted if the applicant is pre-selected.

- Can the FAS offer to fund any English exam or graduate school testing I might require?

We cannot offer to fund English exams or graduate school testing costs to applicants.

- Is it possible to apply for a Bachelor's degree?

Unfortunately, no. These scholarships are oriented to master and doctoral programs.

- I'm already enrolled in a master's degree and am applying as a transfer student. Am I eligible for the scholarship?

No, we only welcome students that have not yet started their postgraduate studies.

-Is it possible to choose a master's or doctoral program that lasts more than one year?

Yes, this option is possible, although the funding would then only cover the first year of the program.

- In case of applying for a PhD program, is it necessary to have established contacts with UAB professors beforehand?

No, this is something we might be interested to know in order to evaluate the totality of your application, but in any case, will it limit your chances of receiving the scholarship. You can establish contacts once you start the selected program.

- Do I need to specify three program options I would like to apply for?

No, this is an option we offer in the online form to allow applicants to open up more options. However, if your decision is clear and you only want to apply to one program, this is also an option and will not limit your chances to be the awardee.

- What is the interview process like?

If selected as a finalist, you will be virtually interviewed by a panel of UAB and FAS team members to assess your suitability for the scholarship. We may ask you to elaborate on the information provided in your application and will also ask you to respond to a series of questions based on real-life scenarios which you might face during your academic experience at the UAB. We are interested to see how you might respond to typical challenges faced by scholars as well as how you would contribute to your own community as well as FAS's projects while fulfilling your personal goals. Interviews generally last for 30 minutes to 1 hour and are conducted in English.

- When will I be notified of my application status?

We expect to conduct interviews with shortlisted candidates within May 4 and May 17, 2022, and communicate the results to the select awardees before May 31, 2022.

- *What are my chances of obtaining a Spanish visa if awarded the scholarship?*

The scholarship award is conditional on the awardee receiving their Spanish student visa. If the awardee is not granted admission or does not receive their visa, the scholarship will be awarded to the next highest-scoring applicant.

- *When are scholarship funds disbursed?*

Scholarship funds cannot be disbursed until the awardee arrives in Spain.