



Scholarships Program

2016/2017 Academic Year

Terms & Conditions

Background

Al Jalila Foundation established the scholarship scheme to support Emirati students who have demonstrated a commitment to pursuing their postgraduate education in Medical and Health Sciences in the UAE.

This document outlines the terms and conditions pertaining to the scholarships provided by Al Jalila Foundation for the students who fulfil the eligibility criteria.

1. Eligibility Criteria

The eligibility to receive Al Jalila Foundation scholarship is determined based on the following:

- a.) Students must apply for the scholarship during the official application period of Al Jalila Foundation Scholarship Program and should provide all the required documents by the application due date.
- b.) Students must be pursuing a postgraduate degree in the medical or health sciences for a UAE-based program accredited by the UAE Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA-UAE). For more information on the CAA-UAE, please visit www.caa.ae
- c.) UAE National students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale or its established equivalent required in their most recent degree program. The scholarship can also be awarded to UAE National students with a GPA of 2.7 or above on a 4.0 scale or its established equivalent required if the specialization of the postgraduate study they pursue is rare, needed or new in the UAE at the time they apply for the scholarship.
- d.) UAE residents may apply for the scholarship program provided they fulfil all eligibility criteria and that they are holding a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale or its established equivalent required for their most recent degree.
- e.) Applicants must have obtained their latest relevant degree from a local or international academic institution accredited/recognized by CAA-UAE/Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.
- f.) The latest degree program of the applicants must have relevance to the postgraduate study they intend to pursue through AJFSP.
- g.) Students must have newly been accepted in a UAE-based postgraduate program accredited by CAA-UAE. Students who have already started their studies in the program or completed one semester or more will not be considered.



- h.) Short-listed students have to attend and pass an interview with Al Jalila Foundation in order to be accepted in the scholarship program.
- i.) If employed, and the academic program is offered during working days/hours, applicant shall submit to AJF a study leave letter from employer indicating that the applicant is permitted to attend program.
- j.) Al Jalila Foundation reserves the right to make the final decision regarding accepting the most eligible students in the scholarship program.

2. Scholarship Limitations

- a.) The scholarship award will cover the tuition expenses and lab fees.

3. Acceptance in the Scholarship Program

- a.) Priority of the scholarships will be given to UAE National students.
- b.) Upon acceptance in the scholarship program, the students will sign an Undertaking Agreement to confirm their acceptance of the scholarship award and to document their agreement to the scholarship terms and conditions.
- c.) Students accepted and enrolled in the scholarship program must complete an Annual Progress Report towards the end of each academic year.

4. Continuation of the Scholarship Award

The continuation of each scholarship award will be subject to the following being met by the:

- a.) Student must remain in good academic standing and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above (or local equivalent) every academic year. For UAE resident recipients, they should maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above.
- b.) Student should not have any disciplinary action taken against him/her for any reason during their enrollment in the Al Jalila Foundation scholarship program.
- c.) Student may not hold another scholarship / award in conjunction with the Al Jalila Foundation scholarship.
- d.) Student may not change the major of the postgraduate study or the college/university while they are enrolled and receiving the Al Jalila Foundation Scholarship fund.

5. Disbursement of Scholarship Funds

- a.) Payment of the scholarship funds will be made directly to the college or university in which the student is matriculated and enrolled in.

6. Termination

- a.) The award will be terminated on resignation or withdrawal of the student from the enrolled postgraduate program, upon submission of the thesis, or at the end of the postgraduate program; whichever is earlier.



- b.) The award may be terminated if the accumulative GPA of the student falls below the required standards.
- c.) The award will be terminated if, after due enquiry by Al Jalila Foundation, it is evidenced that a student has not carried out the course of study with competence and diligence, or fails to maintain satisfactory progress, or has committed serious misconduct.
- d.) The recipients of the award must inform AJF immediately and in writing if they wish to withdraw from the scholarship program and should provide justification with relevant documents.
- e.) In any of the circumstances set out in the above clauses, the award shall be withdrawn and Al Jalila Foundation shall make no (or no further) payments. In addition, Al Jalila Foundation may further seek to recover any overpaid amounts from the student.

7. Submission of Application

The students must submit the following documents by the application due date:

1. Completed AJF Scholarship Online Application (available on Al Jalila Foundation website)
2. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
3. Copy of Emirates ID
4. Copy of passport (with valid Visa page for non-UAE nationals)
5. Copy of UAE nationality document (Khulasat AlQayd), if available
6. Copy of latest relevant academic degree (if obtained from a private academic institution, a copy of the attested degree is required)
7. Academic acceptance letter from the UAE academic institution for the postgraduate program applied for
8. Official Academic Transcripts (with AGPA score on a 4.00 scale)
9. TOEFL/ IELTS certificate. The score required by the CAA-UAE is a minimum TOEFL score of 550 (213 CBT, 79-80 iBT) or 6.0 IELTS
10. Two Recommendation letters. If applicant is/was employed, preferably at least one letter from current/previous employer
11. Study leave letter from current employer (if applicable)
12. Personal Statement

The personal statement is an integral part of your application and will assist Al Jalila Foundation to better understand you and your motivations for pursuing postgraduate medical studies. As a guide your personal statement should cover the following and be approximately 500 words in length:

- (a) Reflect who you are and what you have achieved
- (b) Provide examples of major accomplishments
- (c) Highlight what makes you an outstanding candidate for this scholarship



13. Information about the postgraduate program:

- (d) Structure of the postgraduate program including all courses
- (e) Timeline and duration of study
- (f) All cost items of the postgraduate program

The application documents must be submitted online on Al Jalila Foundation website:

www.aljalilafoundation.ae