

REFUGEE SCHOLARSHIP THE GRADUATE INSTITUTE, GENEVA

Deeply concerned by the magnitude of the migratory crisis and the fate of tens of thousands of people in war zones who are seeking refuge in places such as Switzerland, the Graduate Institute, Geneva, has decided to collaborate with the Student Migration Initiative and support refugees in Switzerland holding a permit and wishing to pursue their studies by offering them a full annual scholarship amounting to CHF 20,000 to cover living expenses, with the possibility of a tuition fee reduction depending on the candidate's financial means. The scholarship may be renewed on the basis of a documented application.

The Graduate Institute is an institution of research and higher education (master and PhD) dedicated to the study of world affairs. Selective and cosmopolitan, it is located in the heart of International Geneva and specialises in the study of the major global, international and transnational challenges facing the contemporary world. It also offers professional development programmes and expertise to international actors from the public, private and non-profit sectors.

Criteria

- → Applicants should have been granted a Swiss Refugee status (Permit B) or have a Provisional Admission for Foreigners status (Permit F)
- → Applicants must provide a letter from the Swiss Government confirming refugee status or provisional admission in Switzerland
- → Applicants must be resident in Switzerland
- → Applicants must be accepted into one of the study programmes at the Institute
- → Only new students may apply: those already enrolled are not eligible to apply
- → Priority will be given to those who meet the above criteria, however, if unable to find a candidate, the search will be expanded to anyone who has been/or who is a refugee in a country other than Switzerland

Application for the Scholarship

- → Candidates must apply for one of the study programmes at the Institute and specify in their motivation letter that they want to apply for the Graduate Institute's Refugee Scholarship
- The main requirement to apply for one of our master programmes is a bachelor's degree, or a degree deemed equivalent, in the social sciences
- → The main requirement to apply for our PhD programme is a master's degree, or a degree deemed equivalent, in the social sciences and, to the extent possible, a master-level research dissertation successfully completed
- → Candidates must also meet the Institute's language requirements

Candidate Assessment

- → The candidates' eligibility is assessed by the Financial Aid Committee according to the application file, which includes documents justifying financial needs and a motivation letter
- → The committee pays particular attention to academic results, the motivation letter and the request for financial aid, but also to references and other relevant information

Application Deadline

15 January

For questions related to study programmes or admission:

prospective@graduateinstitute.ch

For help in the application process, please contact the Migration Initiative: