



Turkmenistan Youth and  
Civic Values Foundation

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**2010 Application for the  
*Honor Spingarn and  
Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.  
Academic Scholarships***

**Application Due February 20, 2010**

*Any questions? Please send to: [scholarship@tycvf.org](mailto:scholarship@tycvf.org)*

**Information about the Honor Spingarn and Martin Luther King, Jr. Academic Scholarships:**

Question 1: Who may apply to this scholarship?

**Answer 1: Any student from Turkmenistan who either:**

- (1) has a degree from a Turkmen school; or
- (2) will finish Turkmen school this year.

Therefore, if you finished 9 years of school but received a degree, you may still apply.

Question 2: What does this scholarship provide?

**Answer 2: This scholarship provides 100% full funding (tuition, room, food, books, travel, spending money) to American University – Bulgaria (AU-BG) for either:**

- (1) 1 year of AU-BG prep school (English Language Institute), and then followed by 4 years at AU-BG; or
- (2) 4 years at AU-BG.

Therefore, these scholarships will pay for you to graduate with a degree from AU-BG.

Question 3: I have a Turkmen high school degree. Why must I go to the preparatory program at AU-BG?

**Answer 3: This is not the Foundation's rule. AU-BG requires students to complete the TOEFL, SAT or AU-BG placement test to be accepted for admission. Some students are accepted directly to the university and some need to complete the English Language Institute to prepare for and take these tests.**

Question 4: If I am awarded this scholarship, what must I do?

**Answer 4: You still must be *admitted* to AU-BG or ELI. That means that you must take the TOEFL test or SAT test or AU-BG placement exam. If you one of our top three choices for the scholarship, we will pay for these tests. If you take the tests and are not in our top three for the scholarship, you will be required to pay for the tests (we will not reimburse you).**

**If you pass the tests and are admitted to AU-BG or ELI, you will be required to participate in the "Foundation Curriculum." The Foundation Curriculum are weekly readings and assignments on social and political theory, colonialism, culture, leadership, and peace.**

Question 5: How many scholarships are given each year?

**Answer 5: The Foundation gives either 1 or 2 scholarships a year, depending on its funding.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name/Phone Number/Place of Employment and Position Held:

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Mother's Name/Phone Number/Place of Employment and Position Held:

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Academic Information

*Please list the prior institutions from which you have graduated, along with your year of graduation, and subjects studied/majored in. (Please attach official transcripts, if available, to application)*

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2. \_\_\_\_\_

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3. \_\_\_\_\_

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Work Experience

*Please list any previous places of employment, along with the dates you worked there, and what your responsibilities were.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Extracurricular Activities

*Please list any extracurricular activities that you participate in.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Letters of Recommendation

*Please attach two letters of recommendation to the application. At least one letter of recommendation must be from a current or former educator.*

TOEFL, SAT, or other Tests – IF AVAILABLE

*If you have taken a TOEFL, SAT, or other internationally-recognized test, please include a copy of your results.*

Other Universities

*Have you applied to other universities in the past, or are you applying currently? If so, which ones?*

Essays (please print and attach to application): **CHOOSE TWO QUESTIONS. FOR EACH QUESTION, WRITE AN ESSAY ANSWERING THAT QUESTION. Do NOT answer more than two questions.**

- 1) *Please describe a defining moment in your life. How has this affected you and what did you learn from it?*
- 2) *Tell us why you are a leader, and describe the essential qualities that a leader must have.*
- 3) *If you are awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship and are able to study at the American University - Bulgaria, what will you do with the knowledge and skills you will gain? What do you see yourself doing after university?*
- 4) *Describe a situation in your life when you overcame a major challenge. How do you think that experience will influence your time at AUBG?*
- 5) *What accomplishment are you most proud of? Why?*
- 6) *Describe success. What do you think are the 3 most important aspects for success and how would you strive to achieve them?*

Letter of Acceptance to the American University Bulgaria

***Please attach EITHER:***

- (1) Proof of acceptance to the American University – Bulgaria OR***
- (2) Proof of acceptance to American University – Bulgaria’s preparatory program (The English Language Institute), OR***
- (3) A signed statement that you will take the TOEFL, SAT or AU-BG placement test and send your results to AU-BG. IF YOU DO NOT TAKE ONE OF THESE TESTS AND/OR DO NOT SEND THE RESULTS TO AU-BG, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR SCHOLARSHIP.***

“I certify that all the information provided in this scholarship application is complete and true. I understand that any misrepresentation or omission may be cause for denying acceptance of the scholarship.”

Signature of applicant

Date

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Signature of guardian

Date

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