



MENA Scholarship Programme (MSP)

The MENA Scholarship Programme (MSP)¹ enables professionals from ten selected countries to participate in a short course in the Netherlands.

The overall aim of the MSP is to contribute to the democratic transition in the participating countries. It also aims at building capacity within organisations, by enabling employees to take part in short courses in various fields of study.

There are scholarships available for short courses with a duration of two to twelve weeks.

Target group

The MSP target group consists of professionals, aged up to 45, who are nationals of and work in one of the selected countries.

Scholarships are awarded to individuals, but the need for training must be demonstrated within the context of the organisation for which the applicant works. The training must help the organisation develop its capacity. Therefore, applicants must be nominated by their employers who have to motivate their nomination in a supporting letter.

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The MSP countries

Algeria, Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Syria and Tunisia.

The scholarship

The scholarships are proportionally distributed among the participating countries. Ideally, half of the scholarships are awarded to female applicants.

An MSP scholarship is a contribution towards the costs of the selected short course and is intended to supplement the salary that the scholarship holder must continue to receive during the study period. The following items are covered: subsistence, tuition fees, visa costs, international travel costs, medical insurance and study materials.

Applying for an MSP scholarship

The MSP scholarship can be used for a number of selected short courses in various fields of study.

An overview of the selected short courses can be found on www.studyinholland.nl/mena.

Candidates are advised to contact the Dutch higher education institution offering the course for information on how to apply, the eligibility criteria and the MSP application and selection procedures.

Keeping in touch: Alumni activities

The growing MSP alumni network will make a positive contribution to the relations between the Netherlands and the alumni's home countries.

MSP alumni are encouraged to stay in touch with fellow alumni, and the Netherlands, by joining the Holland Alumni network via www.hollandalumni.nl/register.

There are also funds for alumni activities, such as refresher courses which increase the impact and prolong the effect of previous training.

More information on the available alumni activities can be found on www.hollandalumni.nl/nfp.

More information

For up-to-date information on the MSP programme please visit www.studyinholland.nl/mena.



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