

(For Research and Services)

# Mahmoud Darwish Language Scholarship Palestine International Institute Educational Scholarship Contract

This contract specifies the terms and conditions upon which the Mahmoud Darwish Language Scholarship Recipients (student) and the Palestine International Institute (PII) undertake to abide by each other under the inclusive terms.

### TITLE ONE

Application requirements

Article 1. All interested applicants for the Mahmoud Darwish Language Scholarship must meet the following requirements:

- A) Be between the ages of 16 and 35.
- **B)** Be at least a junior in High School, being full-time University undergraduate student or graduated from the university.
- **C)** Interested in Arab culture in general, and Palestine and Jordan in particular.
- **D)** Demonstrate active participation in Arab communities in the country of residence.
- **E)** Have documents proving to be of Palestinian or Jordanian descent.
- **F)** Write an essay of at least 300 words in English, Spanish, Portuguese or French, explaining why they should be the recipients of the scholarship.
- **G)** Report on the possession of other nationalities other than that used for the scholarship application.

- **H)** Submit three letters of recommendation: One from a school where the student has graduated, one from the university where student studies (if ongoing), and one from a member of any organization relevant to the Arab or Palestinian residing in their country.
- **I)** Cooperation with PII on projects focused on Arab communities in their countries of origin.
- **J)** Acceptance of the terms of the contract.

## **TITLE TWO**

Obligations of The Palestine International Institute

Article 2. The Palestine International Institute (PII) is committed to:

- **A)** Provide the tuition and books for a period of a year (Three semesters) at Jordan University's Centre For Arabic Studies.
- **B)** Give each student a monthly stipend in the amount of USD \$200 for food and personal expenses commencing from the beginning of the semester.
- **C)** Approve any student justified departure from the city or the country, once it is notified within a reasonable time. Justified travel is at the discretion of PII. Provide a form for that process.

#### **TITLE THREE**

Student Obligations

Article 3. The student will undertake to meet the following requirements:

- **A)** Arrive in Amman at least two weeks before the start of classes in order to complete all transactions concerning the acquisition of Jordanian residence, accommodation and adjustment.
- **B)** Send a copy of passport with visa to Jordan, as verification of approval and also any additional transit visas to countries in route to Jordan, at least in 14 days before the start of the semester. This without prejudice to citizens of countries that do not require visa.
- **C)** Possessing an active International Health and Life Insurance Policy unless the family establishes, through legal certificates, that it has the financial means to cover the cost of illness or other. The International Health and Life Insurance Policy shall cover hospital expenses, specialists, repatriation and cover the travel costs of a companion from the student's country of origin in case of serious accident or death. Serious accident as stipulated in the contract by insuring agency.
- **D)** Comply with the restrictions imposed by the residence or student apartment.
- **E)** Comply with the following educational commitments:

- 1. An 80% minimum class attendance for each semester.
- **2.** Passing all levels completed.
- **3.** In case of violation of the above two points, the student must cover the cost of the levels studied, unless there is just cause, such as a medical or family emergency of serious nature.
- **F)** Return the remaining monthly stipend awarded by the PII, if the student leaves the scholarship without ending the month. That is, if the student leaves by mid-month, the PII shall be refunded half the amount allowed for expenses.
- **G)** Participate in at least 80% of the extracurricular activities organized by the PII, unless there are justifiable and valid reasons for absence.
- **H)** Be fully and personally liable for leaving the country, once they are notified at least one week in advance and approved by it in writing.
- **I)** Be financially responsible for all events in which the student wants to participate that are unrelated to the activities of the PII.
- **J)** Report immediately to the PII coordinator of the any health, police, or legal problem in which the student is involved.
- **K)** To abide by and comply with the standards of Arab and Palestinian morality and traditions.
- **L)** To report in writing, once every two weeks, to the PII coordinator of the scholarship on relevant issues and/or activities during that period with criticisms and recommendations.
- M) Pay living expenses of housing and accommodation and all other daily and monthly expenses and allowances.
- **N)** Limited to studying Arabic for the first semester, in order to adjust to the new country. Student is allowed to take other courses at the University with the prior approval of the PII. However, these costs shall be covered by the student. It is also necessary that the student certifies, by accepted standards, a level of English or Arabic adequate to take the course.

## **PART FOUR**

Causes for cancellation of Scholarship

Article 4. The grounds for cancellation of the scholarship are the following:

- **A)** Find the student carrying, using or trafficking any type of drug.
- **B)** Lack of commitment to course, such as truancy or failure of level.
- **C)** Third notification to the student by the PII of a misconduct or breach of any condition of the contract.

- **D)** The PII shall report to Jordan University and the Ministry of Interior of the students return to his/her country.
- **E)** In all cases mentioned in Article3, students must cover expenses related to the return to their country, as well as running his/her own legal costs incurred in the aforementioned instances. The PII shall immediately be relieved of all responsibilities for any student in the above mentioned instances. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the student should report immediately to PII when an incident occurs.

Date:	
Student Name:	
Student Signature:	