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Eastern Partnership European School Scholarship Programme 2025-2027 for Secondary Education

A EUROPEAN-FOCUSED INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)
DIPLOMA AT NEW SCHOOL IN TBILISI, GEORGIA

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR STUDENTS FROM
ARMENIA, AZERBAIJAN, BELARUS, GEORGIA,
REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA AND UKRAINE

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS:

31 MARCH 2025 AT 12:00 PM (NOON),
GEORGIA TIME (UTC+4.00)





16-17

YEARS OLD STUDENTS

20

SCHOLARSHIPS

6

COUNTRIES

Armenia
Azerbaijan
Belarus
Georgia
Republic of Moldova
Ukraine

New School in Tbilisi, Georgia, with the support of the European Union and the International Baccalaureate, is pleased to announce its Call for Applications for the Eastern Partnership European School Scholarship Programme for the academic years 2025/2027.

All eligible students from Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine aged 16-17 years old, as on 1 September 2025, are invited to apply.

Up to twenty successful students will be chosen among the best performing in the region to obtain a full scholarship for a European-focused International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme.

Funded by the European Union (EU), the Eastern Partnership European School Programme aims at promoting secondary education opportunities for students from the six Eastern Partnership countries. The programme was successfully launched in 2018 and is now in its sixth year. Students selected for the current Call will join the Programme in the academic years 2025/2027.

More about the Eastern Partnership
European School in Georgia
project can be found here





The Diploma Programme

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The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Programme is a two-year educational programme primarily aimed at 16-to-19-year-olds in 140 countries around the world. The Programme provides an internationally accepted qualification for entry into higher education and is recognised by many universities worldwide. Students will be offered a European-focused learning programme that promotes European values of multiculturalism and multilingualism.

The European-focused IB Diploma Programme will be delivered by New School in Tbilisi, Georgia, an authorised IB School since 2010 and a partner of the European Union.

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The Scholarship Package

The Scholarship programme is funded by the European Union.

The scholarship covers the full two-year cycle of the IB Diploma Programme, plus boarding costs, where relevant.

The scholarship will be awarded in the first academic year and will be automatically extended to the second academic year, subject to the students' successful completion of year 1. Students will not need to reapply for a scholarship in their second year.

Included in the scholarship:

- ✓ Tuition fees for academic years 2025/2027 for the European focused International Baccalaureate Programme at the New School located in Tbilisi, Georgia.
- ✓ Boarding in Tbilisi, Georgia, including meals. Students will be accommodated in the on-campus dormitory at New School premises.
- ✓ Round trips between Tbilisi and family residence, during two school breaks.
- ✓ Allowance for local transportation, accessible to each student on a personal debit card of a local bank in Georgia.
- ✓ Study materials and resources needed for students to perform in the programme (books, laptops and calculators for the duration of the studies).
- ✓ Participation in EU sponsored seminars, conferences, study tours and other events.
- ✓ Medical insurance.

The scholarship *does not* include:

- ✗ Direct transfers of funds or cash to students or students' families.
- ✗ Domestic or international travel to/from Tbilisi of students' family members.
- ✗ Students' personal expenses such as clothing, charges for shipping extra luggage, out of campus food or drinks, mobile phones and personal computers other than those provided for the purposes of carrying out the Diploma Programme.



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Eligibility Criteria

The competition for the scholarship is based on merit and open at no cost to applicants who meet the requirements.

Eligible applicants must meet all of the following requirements:

- 1 Be a citizen of Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova or Ukraine and be able to receive an international travel document to go to Georgia.
- 2 Reside in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova or Ukraine at the time of application (see Chart 1 on next page).
- 3 Meet the grade/age requirements set for their country, as set out in **Table 1**.
- 4 Be enrolled in a secondary school in one of the six countries at the time of application (see Chart 1 on next page).
- 5 Demonstrate a minimum average of 70% of GPA¹ over the previous and current year of secondary school studies.
- 6 Have previously studied English and demonstrated English language ability at the time of registration (B2 Level² and higher).
- 7 Knowledge of another EU language will be considered as an advantage.

Chart 1. **Age/Grade Requirements**

| COUNTRY | Eligible Grades (As of Application Submission) | Eligible Age as of 1 September 2025 |
|---------------------|---|--|
| Armenia | 9-10 | 16-17 |
| Azerbaijan | 9-10 | 16-17 |
| Belarus | 10 | 16-17 |
| Georgia | 10 | 16-17 |
| Republic of Moldova | 9-10 | 16-17 |
| Ukraine | 9-10 | 16-17 |

NOTES

Students who are required to complete military service in their final grade of school may not be eligible.

Students who already hold a high school graduation diploma or certificate are not eligible to apply.



¹ Grade Point Average.

² B2 Level corresponds to the Upper Intermediate level, which means that a student can function independently in a variety of academic and professional environments in English, although with a limited range of nuance and precision.

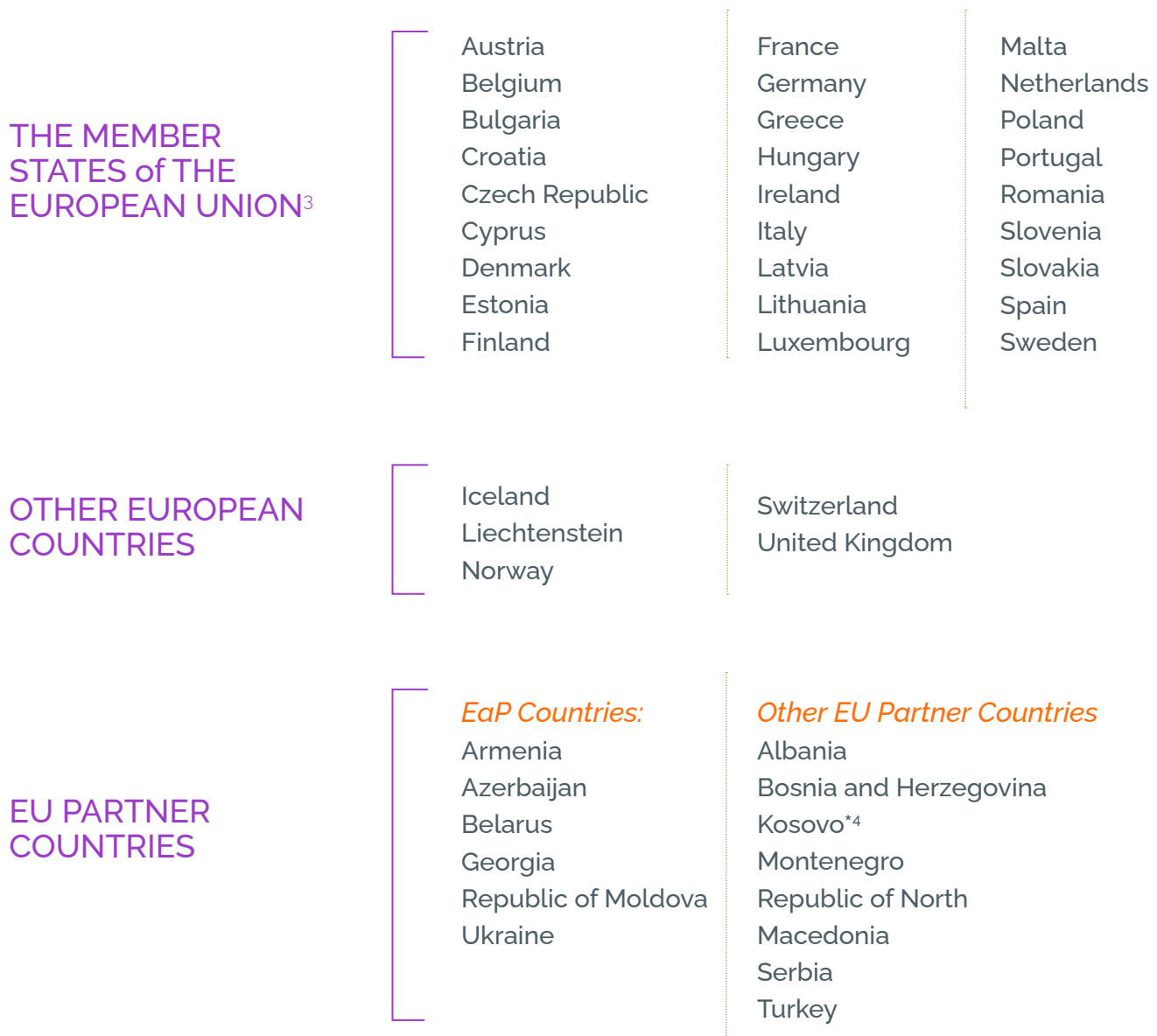


IMPORTANT NOTE

FOR UKRAINE: Currently be a legal permanent resident of Ukraine, located in Ukraine or relocated to one of the countries identified in Table 1 starting from 1 February 2022.

FOR BELARUS: Currently be a legal permanent resident of Belarus, located in Belarus or relocated to one of the countries identified in Table 1 starting from August 2020.

Chart 1. **Eligible Area of the Eastern Partnership
European School in Georgia Project**



³ The overseas territories of the EU member states or other European countries are not eligible within this Call for Applications.

⁴ This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

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Selection and Admission Procedure

The selection process will give equal consideration to all eligible applications received.

The selection process consists of the following stages:

- ✓ **Submission of applications** – from 3 March 2025 to 31 March 2025, at 12:00 pm (noon), Georgia time (UTC +4:00)
- ✓ **Written tests** – during April 2025
- ✓ **Interviews** – during May/June 2025

A qualified selection panel will conduct the selection process, using objective and transparent scoring methods. The decisions of the selection panel will be final and without appeal.

SUBMISSION OF APPLICATIONS



- ✓ The deadline for submitting applications is 31 March 2025, at 12:00 pm (noon), Georgia time (UCT+4.00).
- ✓ Candidates are requested to create an online applicant profile on the New School website - <https://eapeuropeanschool.com/> to submit their application.
- ✓ Any late or incomplete application will be disregarded. After successful submission of their complete file, applicants will receive an automatic acknowledgement email.
- ✓ Shortlisted candidates will be invited to sit the written tests.

Online tests in Mathematics and English

There will be two written tests: a Maths test (40 minutes) and an English language test (one hour). All tests will be conducted in English via an online platform. Students shall ensure having laptops along with good internet connectivity to successfully complete the online test.

Mathematics test

Minimum level of competence 40% (however, students achieving higher scores will have an advantage over students with a lower percentage during selection).

Students achieving 60% or higher will be allowed to enrol for higher-level courses in Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics.

Mathematics test topics are as follows: Number, Set and Numbers, Algebra, Trigonometry, Geometry, Coordinate Geometry, Statistics and Probability (details are available upon request).

English examination

The test is composed of two sections. In the reading test section, students will be asked to read texts and answer given questions, thus demonstrating understanding of the texts.

In the written section, students will be asked to produce a text (150-250 words) about a real or imaginary event related to culture, health, leisure, science or technology.

All tests will be administered online and students must have good internet connectivity and a working laptop/computer with a camera and a microphone to meet the requirements. Testing will be held online in all six countries at the same time, during the month of April/May 2025.

Candidates will be notified of the exact date of the tests as well as requirements and other details.

Interview

Based on the test results, applicants will be invited to a Zoom interview – the third and final stage of the selection procedure. These are tentatively scheduled to take place in May/June 2025 and will be conducted in English language.

The interview, which will last for 30 minutes, will assess the following elements of a students' preparedness for the course:

- ✓ Openness to new learning experiences and cultures.
- ✓ Readiness for boarding life and living in a foreign country or far from home (as applicable).
- ✓ Curiosity and motivation.
- ✓ Study subjects of interest and courses, the candidate would like to enrol in.
- ✓ Communication and oral skills, including but not limited to spoken English.
- ✓ Social competences and active involvement in extracurricular activities (sports, clubs, competitions, etc.).



During the interviews, the selection panel will give high consideration to the motivation of students, their openness to other cultures and interest in European affairs. The selection panel will also be meeting the parents of the students who have been shortlisted.



The list of scholarship recipients for the academic year 2025-2027 will be announced in the second half of June 2025.

The selected students are expected to commit to the full duration of the Scholarship Programme.

The entire application process for the scholarship is free of charge.

**For additional information during
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What is the objective of the Eastern Partnership European School Scholarship Programme?



By offering a high quality internationally recognized diploma and promoting intra-regional exchanges among students from the Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries, this scholarship programme funded by the European Union tends to strengthen educational opportunities for youth in Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova and Ukraine.

What is the European-focused IB Diploma Programme?



The Programme offers the comprehensive and rigorous two-year academic course of the IB Diploma combined with the unique opportunity to engage in the specialised study of Europe and European issues.

What is the concept of IB?



The International Baccalaureate is an international foundation motivated by a mission to create a better world through education. The IB offers an education with a focus on teaching students to think critically and independently, and how to inquire with care and logic. The IB also offers an international and multicultural learning environment to its students all over the world and prepares students to face the challenges of our globalised world. In this respect the IB education is in line with the principles and objectives of the EB education.

Will the students have the advantage with the IB diploma in the universities?



IB Diploma is accepted in 75 countries at over 2,000 universities and it has a search directory on its website (www.ibo.org). The IB also maintains a list of universities offering scholarships to IBDP graduates under conditions specified by each institution. After completion of the Scholarship Programme, students may also submit their Diploma to the national authorities in their home country to receive the official equivalence.

Who delivers this IB Diploma Programme?



This IB Diploma Programme is delivered by the New School in Tbilisi, Georgia, an authorised IB School since 2010. The New School has contributed to multilingual and multi-cultural teaching in Georgia, and to the successful studies and careers of many of its national and foreign alumni and graduates. New School also achieved a major success in delivering on its first IB Diploma with a focus on European studies and is now even more ready to continue this learning experience with its new students from the region.



Which extra-curricular activities are envisaged?



Extra-curricular activities further define the European angle of students' experience at New School, allowing them to attend conferences and events on European subjects by EU academics and Senior Officials. Possible study visits to the European Institutions aimed at reinforcing students' knowledge of Europe and its people may be organised. During this two-year programme, students may also participate in different activities including football, basketball, volleyball, swimming, chess, Model United Nations, drama, cooking club, etc. Each semester students are able to travel to different areas of Georgia and it is the one of the most favourite events of the scholarship students.

Does the Scholarship Programme provide the equal opportunities to the applicants?



This Scholarship Programme has the objective of ensuring a fair gender balance and balanced geographical representation on the basis of the applications received. This has been successfully addressed with the first cohort, composed of students from all six EaP countries. Students who hold IDP or refugee status and are citizens of one of the EaP countries are encouraged to apply.

Where will the students live during the school year(s)?



Students will be living in the boarding facility located on the premises of New School. The new boarding facility will provide comfort to students and school personnel. The common space areas in the facility for studying and social gathering give good opportunity for sharing knowledge to fellow students. The Head of Boarding and a team of mentors will be supervising the students at all times, ensuring their comfort, safety and general welfare.

What are the living conditions in the boarding facility?



In the boarding facility, two students will share a room, fully equipped with necessary devices and appliances to ensure study atmosphere. The food served in the New School is prepared under the highest quality standards, being healthy and fresh at all times, with separate options for the students with food restrictions.

Will learning materials be provided to the students?



Learning materials are provided by the New School, while specific equipment required for IB Diploma (e.g. TI calculators) is included in the scholarship.



What does the medical insurance cover?

Students will have a medical insurance which covers fully most of the basic medical expenses,



Which expenses have to be covered by students?

Most of the basic living expenses are included in the scholarship, so students may need to buy their clothes and pay for additional activities not covered by the scholarship.



What is the dress code in the school?

There are no formal uniforms in the school, but students are required to wear white shirts and dark trousers/dress.



Which personal documents are necessary for the students?

During the application process, students need to submit Parent Consent form, Birth Certificate and Grades from the previous school year(s) in English, or have it translated to English and notarized if the original documents are not in English. The students awarded the scholarship are required to have their passports, birth certificates and grade sheets.



Is the transportation free for school students within Tbilisi?

Use of the public transportation including busses and subway within Tbilisi is free for the scholarship students.

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