



Financial Assistance Program 2023-24

Need- based and Merit-based Scholarships for Degree-seeking students

Application Page: www.acg.edu/financial-assistance-procedure

The American College of Greece, with the help of donors who believe in the transformative value of a quality education, has developed a long tradition of providing scholarships to students who distinguish themselves academically and/or face financial need. The scholarships cover all or part of the recipient's tuition.

Financial Assistance Terms and Conditions

- All applicants who are applying for *Need-Based Scholarships are required to submit a "Need-Based Financial Assistance – Grants" application*, in addition to the scholarship application, as financial need is one of the criteria for need-based scholarships.
- Applicants who are awarded a scholarship must abide by its stipulations, which are found in the ACG Web Site and are sent via email to the recipient.
- Non-credit courses are not covered by the tuition reduction grant except for courses in the English for Academic Purposes Program (EAPP).
- Students on academic probation (CI below 2.00/4.00) are not eligible to receive any kind of financial assistance.
- Certificate-Minor seeking students and Non-Degree students are not eligible to apply for Scholarships.
- Only complete applications with all necessary documentation, submitted within the respective deadlines will be evaluated.
- All applications and supporting materials are retained by the Office of Financial Assistance and Planning; All materials are kept on file, under conditions of security and strict confidence, and in accordance with the provisions of Regulation (EC) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council ("General Data Protection Regulation") and the Greek legislation on the protection of personal data (Law 4624/2019), as in effect from time to time (the "Personal Data Legislation").
- All communication regarding the progress of an application is done through the personal email address (as reported in the application form) and/or through the students' *ACG Mail* and *myACG* portal for continuing students.
- The College reserves the right to adjust the academic criteria for financial assistance found on its website and on scholarship brochures.

General Instructions for the completion and submission of the Need-based and/or Merit-based Scholarship Application(s)

For new users: On the Financial Assistance Platform's initial page you must click on the respective link ([register now](#)) to create an account. Upon completion of all required fields and once you press [register](#), you will need to activate this account by clicking on the link in the email you will receive (to the email declared while creating the account). Finally, you may log in by using your User Name and Password. **Attention:** you must save your credentials (User Name and Password), as the account created will be used for all future applications.

New students who need help finding their Deree Student ID may contact the Admissions Office (t: +30 210 600 9800 ext. 1410, admissions@acg.edu).

For former users:

On the Financial Assistance Platform's initial page you may log in by using your User Name and Password (the ones you declared upon the creation of your account). You cannot create a new account (only one account can be created for each Student Code Number).

For all users:

- Before beginning to complete an application, please make sure that you have all the required documents and certificates depending on the scholarship requirements (e.i. residence certificate, birth place certificate, etc.).
- At any time during the completion of an application you may save your progress and continue later. Once an application has been submitted, it can no longer be modified.
- Only one application per scholarship type (need-based and/or merit-based) per student may be submitted.

- All supporting documents must be submitted in PDF and JPG/JPEG format. Please note:
 - *Documents consisting of more than one page* must be submitted in a single file.
 - *In case of photos*, all information must be readable.

Supporting Documents for the 2023-24 Scholarship Applications

- A Curriculum Vitae (CV).
- Recommendation letter(s)*.
- Any other certificate based on each scholarship's eligibility requirements (e.g. Birth certificate, residency certificate, etc.).
- "Need-Based Financial Assistance – Grants" Application for scholarships that have financial need as one of their criteria.

Pre-recorded self-presentation (video)

All applicants are required to submit a pre-recorded self-presentation (video)* answering the following questions:

- **Tell us about yourself** (Be sure to mention your name and for which scholarship(s) you are applying. You may also provide a brief description of your background.)
- **In what activities are/were you involved in and outside your school/college/university** (This is a good opportunity to highlight a set of skills you may possess.)
- **Why do you believe you should be considered for the scholarship(s)?** (You could explain how the scholarship is going to help you achieve your academic and career goals and the impact it will have on your life as a whole. Also, you could state your accomplishments.)
- **How would you describe your financial needs?** (You could mention to what, if any, financial difficulties and /or challenges you and your family may be facing (e.g. if a parent recently lost their job, etc.)

Guidelines for the recording:

- Select a quiet location to record the video on your PC, mobile phone, etc.
- The file must be in MP4 format.
- The video must be in the English language and no more than 3 minutes in length.
- The video must be submitted by email to financialassistance@acg.edu within the set deadlines (please refer to "Application Periods" – 1st page).

IMPORTANT: The video cannot be uploaded to the online application because such files are not supported.
- In case the size of the file exceeds the allowed limit set by your email provider, you may send a downloadable link via WeTransfer (<https://wetransfer.com>).

Evaluation Process

All completed applications are screened by the Scholarships Committee, which will compile a short list of qualified applicants. In the next and final stage, these applicants will be interviewed by the respective committee. Also, the Committee reserves the right to a) extend an annual scholarship to the same recipient, provided the said recipient continues to meet the eligibility requirements and has submitted an application, b) award to an applicant a scholarship other than the one that the said applicant chose to apply for.

The screening will be based on the following criteria:

- Meeting of all the eligibility requirements for the relevant scholarship(s).
- Promptness in completing the application process.
- Personal statement(s) and Curriculum Vitae (CV).
- Recommendation letter(s) and Pre-recorded self-presentation (video)*.
- Credits earned and CI achieved by the end of Summer Session II 2023 for continuing students and high School graduation grade and English language proficiency for incoming students.
- Student conduct.
- Financial need demonstrated by submitting a "Need-Based Financial Assistance – Grants" Application (only for need-based scholarships).

* Students applying for scholarships awarded through the Frances Rich School of Fine and Performing Arts do not have to submit recommendation letters and the pre-recorded video since these scholarships are considered by the School's dean, department heads and faculty.