



**The Holy Spirit University of Kaslik**  
**and**  
**the National Apostolate of Maronites**  
**USEK-NAM Scholarship Fund for Study in Lebanon (Semester Abroad)**  
**Scholarship Application Package for Current College Students for 2019**

### **Application Deadline**

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The deadline to submit the application and supporting documents is May 15, 2018.

### **Contact Details**

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## USEK-NAM Scholarship Application Guidelines

**Deadline: May 15, 2018**

The Holy Spirit University of Kaslik and the National Apostolate of Maronites joint scholarship offers college students who are active members of NAM the opportunity to spend a semester abroad studying in Lebanon. The Scholarship covers the cost of tuition and on-campus accommodations provided by USEK. In addition, upon receipt of a verification of enrollment form from USEK, the National Apostolate of Maronites will issue an award of \$500 to cover partial cost of travel to Lebanon. **The current cycle will award scholarships to as many as twelve students for Summer Semester 2019.**

The USEK-NAM scholarship is awarded one time only, and only to those students who have not received a NAM scholarship previously. Once winners are announced, the Holy Spirit University of Kaslik, in conjunction with NAM, will make arrangements to tailor a successful program of study for the scholarship winners.

All scholarships are in the form of a Certificate of Award issued by National Apostolate of Maronites, conditioned upon students' ongoing enrollment in an undergraduate, four-year degree program in an accredited college or university in the United States.

### WHO MAY QUALIFY

In order to qualify for the USEK-NAM scholarship, applicants must meet the following:

- Be at least 18 years of age and currently enrolled in an accredited college or university in the United States.
- Be active members of the National Apostolate of Maronites and demonstrate a general interest in studying in Lebanon.
- Be citizens/legal permanent residents of the United States.
- Have maintained a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.00 on a 4.0 scale.
- Be enrolled in a major compatible with one of USEK's eleven faculties and four institutes.

Applicants with a proven academic record, leadership skills and NAM involvement are strong candidates for selection of the scholarship. Financial need is one factor in the selection of scholarship recipients. Candidates must provide both a pastor and academic recommendation forms.

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Applicants are asked to fill out the attached application form and provide the following supporting documents:

- A copy of his/her college transcript from time of matriculation to date.
- The enclosed pastor recommendation form.
- The enclosed letter of reference from a college professor or advisor
- A passport-size face picture for NAM records. A digital self picture emailed to [nam@namnews.org](mailto:nam@namnews.org)
- List of achievements in scholarship, leaderships, athletics, community service, or other activities may be attached-but avoid being repetitious
- Application of required facts

Upon selection, scholarship recipients will be asked to supply additional documentation to the Holy Spirit University in accordance with Lebanese and USEK procedures for visiting students. These include:

- Additional college transcripts.
- Proof of medical insurance coverage while in Lebanon.
- Proof of American citizenship or permanent residence.
- A copy of the student’s passport.
- Two passport size photos
- A letter from the student’s university including the courses he/she selected

Please note that your completed application along with the above required documents must be given to your pastor in order to reach the NAM Office no later than May 15, 2018.

All applications become the property of the National Apostolate of Maronites and of the Holy Spirit University.

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

The following criteria are used by NAM as the basis for selecting the recipients of the scholarships:

	Maximum Points
Activities and Honors . . . . .	20
Grade Point Average. . . . .	20
Essays . . . . .	40
Letters of Recommendation . . . . .	20

Send completed application, along with all relevant material, by May 15, 2018 to:

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**NAM – USEK Scholarship Application Form**

Term(s) you plan to attend:  Summer 2019

NAM ID # \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name: Mr. /Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle (or father's name)

2. Mother's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle (or father's name)

3. Current mailing address (Valid until \_\_\_\_\_): \_\_\_\_\_  
[Complete and valid address is mandatory: PO Box alone is not sufficient] Building

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Street PO Box

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip Code

Telephone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Area code Number Area code Number

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

4. Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_  
[Preferably home address. Complete this item only if different from address in no. 3]

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Street PO Box

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
County City State Zip Code Country

Telephone (home): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Country code Area code Number Country code Area code Number

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

5. Gender:  Male  Female 6. Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

7. Nationality: \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Country of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

9. College/university currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

10. Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Present cumulative GPA and scale (e.g., 4.0 scale): \_\_\_\_\_

12. Current Class Standing:  Fr  Soph  Jr  Sr

13. School certificate: \_\_\_\_\_

14. In case of emergency, please notify:

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Name Relationship Street  
\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
City and State Country Zip Code Home phone Work phone

15. Have you ever been to Lebanon?  Yes  No If yes, please state the dates and the purpose.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

16. What is your proposed plan of study at USEK? List specific courses and their faculties if you know them.

Undergraduate Courses

Faculty

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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Students are strongly urged to contact their Admissions Office to ensure that credits earned for study at USEK are fully transferable to the student's college or university.

*Respond to the following questions in a short essay format.*

17. Describe your parish involvement and any NAM-sponsored events you and/or your family have attended.

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18. Describe any extra-curricular activities. Include offices and positions of leadership.  
State name of organization, position and year.

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19. Describe any honors and awards you have received.  
State nature of honor or award.

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20. Briefly describe your current college career, (i.e., the degree toward which you are studying, minors, etc.)

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*Respond to questions 21 and 22 in an essay format. Please limit your response to the space provided below.*

21. Why do you believe you should be considered for the NAM-USEK Scholarship, and how will this experience of studying abroad impact your future career?

22. What goals have you set for yourself spiritually, personally, and academically?

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year





## Pastor Recommendation Form for Visiting Students

(Include in a sealed envelope)

This form is to be submitted in a sealed envelope along with the student's completed application. All parts of the application must be received in the NAM Office NO LATER THAN May 15, 2018.

### To be completed by applicant

1. Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle (or father's name)

2. College/university: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Proposed courses of study and faculties while at USEK:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Proposed major at home institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant:** You may waive your right to see recommendations for admission. Please indicate whether you wish to waive this right by checking the appropriate line below. The committee on admissions places no value on your decision on this matter.

- I waive my right of access to this recommendation form
- I do not waive my right of access to this recommendation form

### To be completed by recommender

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Tel. No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_





**Recommendation Form for Visiting Students (from a professor or advisor)**  
**(Include in a sealed envelope)**

**To be completed by applicant**

- Applicant's name: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle (or father's name)
- College/university or work currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_
- Proposed courses of study and faculties while at USEK:  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_
- Proposed major at home institution: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

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I waive my right of access to this recommendation form

I do not waive my right of access to this recommendation form

**To be completed by recommender**

Your name, please print clearly: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Title

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
[Complete mailing address is mandatory] Building Street

\_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
PO Box Mohafazat (County) City State Zip Code Country

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Country code Area code Number Country code Area code Number

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
Day Month Year

Please comment on the applicant's readiness to undertake the proposed course of study at USEK, and his/her maturity, independence, and readiness to live in a foreign environment. Additional comments may be added on a separate page.

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**How do you rate the candidate on the following criteria?**

	Outstanding Top 2%	Very Good	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Unobserved
Competence						
Professional						
Achievement						
Readiness to use opportunities for achievement						
Creativity and Resourcefulness						
Intellectual Curiosity						
Energy and Drive						
Personal Integrity						
Ability to work in a team						
Leadership Qualities						