

Deadline: 12 June 2026, 14:00 (Romanian time)

Only complete applications will be evaluated.

All documents must be submitted in PDF format.

The Romanian Agency for Investments and Foreign Trade, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Research, awards annually a number of 40 scholarships to foreign citizens, through a competition based on the evaluation of applications, organized in accordance with Romanian regulations. The scholarships are available for bachelor's, master's, postgraduate/residency (emergency medicine or cardiology specializations only), and PhD studies in accredited state higher education institutions in Romania.

Eligibility criteria:

All foreign citizens are eligible, with the exception of citizens of EU and EFTA Member States. Priority is given to candidates from non-EU and non-EFTA countries that do not have agreements with Romania on cultural and educational cooperation.

Persons not eligible for this scholarship:

- Romanian citizens or persons belonging to historical Romanian communities located in the vicinity of Romania (who benefit from other programmes);
- Citizens who have applied for or are under any form of protection in Romania;
- Stateless persons permitted to stay on Romanian territory and recognized according to Romanian law;
- Members and family members of diplomatic and consular corps accredited in Romania, as well as of the administrative and technical staff of diplomatic missions, consular offices, and international organizations represented in Romania;
- Citizens who have previously benefited from a Romanian state scholarship for the same cycle of studies;
- Citizens holding a long-term residence permit in Romania.

Levels of study covered by the scholarship:

- a) Bachelor's degree
- b) Master's degree
- c) Postgraduate/residency (emergency medicine or cardiology only)
- d) PhD – for doctoral studies, prior agreement in principle of a scientific coordinator is required; admission is conditional upon passing the entrance examination.

Priority areas:

Applications in the fields of economics and business administration, agricultural sciences, technical sciences, and oil and gas will be given priority. Applications in other fields will be considered subject to availability of places.

Non-eligible fields: dental medicine, dentistry, pharmacy.

Language of study:

The Romanian Agency for Investments and Foreign Trade has established that all courses will be conducted in the Romanian language. This aims to promote Romanian language and culture among foreign citizens. Selected candidates are entitled to a preparatory year in Romanian language prior to starting their chosen programme of study.

Scholarship benefits (in accordance with Government Decision H.G. No. 1653/2024):

- a) Exemption from payment of registration fees and any other fees related to application processing, admission to doctoral studies, and aptitude tests;
- b) Coverage of tuition fees for the Romanian language preparatory year;
- c) Coverage of tuition fees for the study programme, for the duration of the university cycle;
- d) Monthly scholarship for students enrolled in the preparatory year;
- e) Monthly scholarship for students enrolled in bachelor's, master's, or doctoral studies;
- f) Accommodation support in student dormitories, within the limits of the allocated subsidy from the Ministry of Education and Research;
- g) Medical assistance for medical-surgical emergencies and diseases with endemic-epidemic potential, in accordance with applicable legislation;
- h) Access to local public transport and domestic road, rail, and naval transport under the same conditions as Romanian students.

Duration of benefits:

- For students enrolled in the preparatory year – throughout its duration;
- For bachelor's and master's students – during the academic year and legal holidays (excluding summer vacation, unless academic obligations require their presence);
- For doctoral and postgraduate medical trainees – throughout the calendar year;
- For an additional 30 days after completion of studies lasting at least one year.

International travel expenses and domestic travel from the point of arrival in Romania to the university location are not covered. All selected candidates must be prepared to cover any expenses not included in the scholarship.