

In accordance with Article (31) of the Constitution and the decision of the Council of Ministers on 12/10/2010, we, Abdullah II bin al-Hussein, King of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, decree the effectuation of the following regulation:

Regulation Nr. (61) of 2010

**Regulation on Scholarships and Grants for Delegates**

Enacted pursuant to Paragraph (K) and (M) of Article (4) and (13) of the Law of Higher Education and Scientific Research Nr. 23 of 2009

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**Article (1)** This regulation is cited as (Regulation on Scholarships and Grants for Delegates of 2010) and comes into force as of its date of publication in the Official Gazette.

**Article (2)** A) The following words and expressions, wherever mentioned herein, shall have the hereinafter designated meanings, unless the context requires otherwise:

Ministry : Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research

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Secretary General: Ministry's Secretary General

- Department : Any ministry, governmental department or public official institution.
- Delegate : A person delegated in a scholarship or grant in accordance with the provisions of this Law.
- Scholarship : Sending a delegate to study in any official Jordanian higher-education institution at the Ministry's expense for a continuous period of at least two semesters after acquiring the Jordanian General High-School Certificate or its equivalent in order to obtain an academic degree.
- Grant : Sending a delegate to study in any higher-education institution abroad recognized by Ministry at the expense of the granting state and for a continuous period of at least two semesters after acquiring the Jordanian General High-School Certificate or its equivalent in order to obtain a scientific degree.
- Directorate : The competent directorate in the Ministry responsible for scholarships and grants.
- Commission : Scholarships and Grants Commission established in accordance with the provisions herein.

**Article (3)** A) The provisions herein are applicable to every delegate in a scholarship or grant, except for the Department's employees.

B) The Ministry shall announce any scholarship or grant in at least one local daily newspaper or by any other media determined by the Minister.

- Article (4)** A) A person applying for a scholarship or a grant shall be:
- 1) a Jordanian citizen
  - 2) who has acquired the Jordanian General High-school Certificate or its equivalent
  - 3) and is not convicted of any felony or misdemeanor staining honor and public morals.

B) Notwithstanding Clause (2), Paragraph (A) of this Article, grants given by a specific state to the Jordanian Government could be utilized by Jordanian students who have acquired the high-school degree in such state; provided, however, that they shall not apply and compete for grants available to other students inside the Kingdom.

- Article (5)** The Ministry shall establish a mission named (*Scholarships and Grants Mission*) presided by the Secretary General and includes the following members:

- A) Deputy Secretary General on Technical Affairs.
- B) Directorate's Director.
- C) Director of the Ministry's Financial Affairs Directorate.
- D) A representative of the Ministry of Finance appointed by the Minister of Finance and whose rank is not lower than that of a directorate's director.
- E) President of the Scholarships Section in the Ministry.

- Article (6)** A) The Commission's function is to make decisions concerning the delegation of candidates in scholarships and grants and to examine any submitted objections to its decisions.

B) The Commission's delegation decision shall include the delegation state and university, specialization, and period.

C) The Minister shall ratify all decisions of the Commission, including those related to objections submitted to it.

D) The Commission's president shall provide the competent departments with copies of decisions issued by the Commission.

**Article (7)** A) The Commission shall meet by an invitation from its president whenever necessary, and its quorum shall be two thirds of its members, who make decisions by a majority vote.

B) The Minister shall appoint one of the Ministry's employees as the Commission's secretary, who will prepare its meetings, record its minutes, keep its records and registers, deliver its decisions and carry out any other works the Commission's President entrusts him/her with.

C) The Commission's President may invite any person he/she deems appropriate to attend its meetings in order to seek his/her advice.

**Article (8)** A contract should be organized at the Notary Public in accordance with a form approved by the president, which stipulates the delegate's abidance by the provisions of this Law and the terms mentioned in the contract, which include:

1) To join and study in the educational institution he/she was delegated to in accordance with the study plans and programs of such instruction, and to return back to the Kingdom within two months after the elapse of the study period stated in the delegation decision.

- 2) To serve in the department that decides to move his/her obligation to it for twice the period of the scholarship or grant.
- 3) The amounts determined by the Commission and spent on the delegate shall be a conclusive evidence of the expenses of the scholarship or grant, and are binding upon the delegate and his/her warrantor, jointly or severally.
- 4) The amounts spent on the delegate by a source other than the Jordanian government are considered as paid directly by the general treasury, and in case the provisions herein and the contract's terms have been violated, the delegate or his/her warrantor shall pay back such amounts to the treasury.

B) The contract mentioned in Paragraph (A) of this Article shall be organized in the presence of the delegate and his/her warrantor in seven copies; one copy thereof is to be kept by the Notary Public, and the rest are to be provided to the Ministry of Finance, the relevant ministries, the delegation body, the Accounting Bureau, Chambers of Commerce and to the delegate himself/herself.

C) The delegate may not change his/her specialization or study place.

**Article (9)** A) A warrantor shall sign the delegation contract mentioned in Paragraph (A), Article (8) of this regulation, in which he/she undertakes to pay all financial obligations of the delegate if he/she has violated the contract's terms.

B) The warrantor shall:

- 1) Have a permanent and known place of residence in the Kingdom, which is to be stated in the Contract.

- 2) A real-estates owner or merchant in the Kingdom, whose solvency is confirmed by the competent commerce and industry chambers or guaranteed by a person with a regular monthly income.

**Article (10)** A) Study fees charged by the higher-education institution will be paid from the scholarship's allowances. Moreover, other allowances payable to the delegate will be paid out by the Commission's decision and in accordance with the Minister's directives pursuant to the Commission's recommendation.

B) If any government, body or institution has undertaken to cover the delegate's expenses, the scholarship's allowances shall be paid to him/her in accordance with the terms of such government, body, etc.

**Article (11)** The delegate shall stay in touch with the Jordanian diplomatic mission in the state in which he/she studies and inform it of his/her place of residence and the results of the his/her semester and annual study. However, should this be impracticable, he/she shall provide such information to the directorate; otherwise, his/her next year's expenses will not be covered.

**Article (12)** A) If the delegate is granted a new scholarship or grant pursuant to directives issued for this end, the period of the new scholarship or grant will be added to the original one, provided that the delegate shall submit a deed of commitment thereof in accordance with the provisions of this Law.

B) If the delegate has not been able to complete his/her study within the determined period, the Commission may postpone its demand to settle his/her financial obligations until he/she graduates.

**Article (13)** The Commission may approve suspending the delegate's scholarship or grant for a period not exceeding two study years or four study semesters, provided that he/she shall not receive any financial allowances during this period.

**Article (14)** A) The Commission may terminate the delegate's scholarship or grant in the following cases:

- 1) If he/she failed or delayed to join the study in the appropriate time, or if he/she discontinued the scholarship without providing an excuse acceptable by the Commission.
- 2) If he/she carried out an activity incompatible with the Kingdom's interest and higher policies, or if he/she intervened in the affairs of the state he/she was delegated to.
- 3) If he/she changed his/her specialization or study place.
- 4) If he/she was sentenced with any felony or misdemeanor staining honor inside or outside the Kingdom.
- 5) If he/she was transferred to private study or dismissed from the specialization he/she was delegated to.
- 6) If a complaint was lodged against him/her with the official authorities in the study country and was well-grounded.
- 7) If the delegate's periodical and annual results indicated that he/she has failed to attain the minimum accredited hours and cumulative average, he/she shall, within a period of three months, submit a written report to the Commission clarifying the reasons behind such results. However, if the Commission was not convinced of such reasons, or if the delegated did not submit the report, the Commission shall decide to terminate his/her scholarship or grant.

B) If the scholarship or grant has been terminated for any of the reasons mentioned in Paragraph (A) of this Article, the delegate and his/her warrantor shall pay back all amounts he/she had received during such period.

**Article (15)** A) The delegate shall submit an employment application to the Civil Service Bureau within a period of ninety days from the date of his/her acquiring the academic qualification; otherwise, he/she shall be in breach of his/her obligations. Moreover, he/she shall accept any position offered to him/her by the competent authority, whether it is a classified or unclassified position, contract position, or temporary position at any municipality or project.

B) The delegate's service obligation may be transferred to any other department, official Jordanian university, municipality or public joint-stock company in which the Government owns (50%) of its shares. His/her work in any of these bodies shall be considered a fulfillment of his/her obligations.

C) Subject to the provisions of Paragraph (A) and (B) of this Article, if no employment decision has been issued within six months of the employment application's date, the delegate will be acquitted of his/her obligations and may pursue any other position after such period elapses.



**Article (16)** In the following cases, the delegate and his/her warrantor will be acquitted of paying the amounts spent on his/her study and of his/her service obligation:

- A) If he/she has terminally discontinued his/her study due to health reasons and in accordance with a medical report certified by the Central Medical Commission.
- B) If he/she, after the study and in accordance with a medical report certified by the Central Medical Commission, has been stricken by handicap or disease that prevents him/her from carrying out his/her work.
- C) If he/she died. This acquittal includes his/her heirs and their inheritance from him/her.

**Article (17)** The Directorate shall, in co-operation with other directorates in the Ministry, submit a report to the Commission which includes:

- A) Scholarships and grants offered by Arab and foreign countries and international and local institutions, along with their numbers, fields of specialization, periods, and terms.
- B) Amounts allocated to scholarships and grants.

**Article (18)** The Minister shall issue the directives necessary for applying this Regulation.

**Article (19)** The Regulation on Scholarships and Grants for Delegates Nr. (60) of 2002 and its amendments shall be terminated.

12/10/2010

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