



STUDENT REFUGEE PROGRAM

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS, 2020-21 - LEBANON

World University Service of Canada (WUSC) would like to invite qualified refugee youth to apply for the 2020-21 cohort of the [Student Refugee Program](#) (SRP). More information about the SRP is included in the final paragraph of this document.

Eligibility Requirements:

All applicants must be:

- Registered as a refugee in Lebanon with the UNHCR;
- Currently living in Lebanon and have arrived in Lebanon before December 31st, 2015;
- A secondary school graduate in possession of official and original transcripts of academic documents. Minimum academic grade is 65% or equivalent;
- Between the age of 18-25 as of January 1st, 2019 (date of birth must be no earlier than January 1st, 1994 and no later than January 1st 2001);
- Able to undertake academic studies in English or French;
- Single (unmarried) with no children;
- Self-reliant, mature and suitable for resettlement to Canada as an individual (i.e. not with family members); and
- Facing barriers to accessing or completing post-secondary education.

HOW TO APPLY

1. Complete the online fillable PDF SRP Application Form available [here](#). You need to download the file before opening it. Save it and send it as attachment with all required supporting documents to the email specified below. If you experience technical difficulties with the PDF form, you can obtain a Word version of the form by emailing srp.me@wusc.ca. Typed applications are strongly encouraged but handwritten applications will be accepted.
2. Submit the completed application form along with these required attachments:
 - A scanned copy of your refugee status document
 - A scanned copy of your secondary school certificate and any other relevant academic documents (must be in possession of the original)
3. Submit the application form and all required attachments in one email to srp.me@wusc.ca. The application deadline is **SUNDAY MARCH 3rd 2019 by 5pm (Lebanon Local Time)**.

Please note that applying to the SRP is free. Applicants should not pay any amount at any point in the SRP selection process. Please inform WUSC headquarters in Ottawa (srp@wusc.ca) if you have been asked to pay a fee to any individual during the application process.

Overview of the SRP Selection Process

1. Completion and submission of the SRP application
2. Shortlisting of applications: all students who meet the eligibility requirements who submit a completed application including attachments will be reviewed and a shortlist prepared.
3. Pre-interview Language Test: Shortlisted students will be invited to sit for an English or French language assessment.
4. Interviews: A selection of students who pass the language test will be asked to participate in an interview (scheduled for April 2019)
5. Sponsorship offers will be made to selected students pending verification of academic documents, refugee status and other factors. Decisions will be communicated to all interviewed candidates

Important Considerations:

- The SRP values gender equality. Qualified female candidates are encouraged to apply.
- You may apply in English or in French. Candidates who speak both French and English can indicate this on the application form.
- Only shortlisted candidates who meet all the eligibility criteria will be contacted.
- No phone calls please.

More about WUSC's Student Refugee Program

The Student Refugee Program (SRP), managed by the World University Service of Canada (WUSC), is a resettlement program that provides opportunities for refugees to continue their post-secondary studies in Canada. Refugees sponsored through the program become Permanent Residents when they arrive in Canada. WUSC facilitates access to a post-secondary academic institution in Canada for selected students. There is a wide range of academic program available for study. Students may be placed at a university, college or CEGEP (college in the province of Quebec). WUSC makes the decision about where students will study.

Please note that the SRP is NOT a scholarship program – it is a **one-year sponsorship** program under [Canada's Private Sponsorship](#) program. SRP students are sponsored by groups of other students studying on campuses across Canada (called WUSC 'local committees'). SRP students do not receive cash to study. Financial assistance is provided "in kind" for one year to cover tuition fees, food and accommodation, in addition to a small allowance to cover the costs of basic necessities. After the first year, students are required to apply for grants, scholarships, or student loans that all Canadians and Permanent Residents have access to in order to finance the remainder of their studies.

You can learn more about WUSC and the SRP program here: <https://srp.wusc.ca/>.