

# AGBU **ARTSAKH** RESEARCH GRANTS

## OVERVIEW AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Due to the recent developments in the Armenian reality, promoting the voice of Artsakh and the Armenian people has become a critical and timely issue. We are faced with the urgency to delve deep into the study of Artsakh to widen and increase our collective understanding of the region and its history, and accurately document current events and developments.

**AGBU Artsakh Research Grants** offer an opportunity to raise awareness and enhance knowledge of Artsakh, its history, culture and existing issues by expanding mainstream and scholarly access to a larger pool of primary resources and accurate accountings through research projects and publishable outputs.

### OBJECTIVES

The goal of the **Artsakh Research Grants** is to develop knowledge and understanding of Artsakh, historical and/or contemporary, by supporting research in fields specializing in but not limited to the social sciences and humanities.

The main objectives include the following:

- To support significant and innovative research in social, cultural, psychological, legal, economic, technological, humanitarian, and environmental issues of the region's past, present and future for publication of scholarly or mainstream media articles in a variety of possible venues, and/or production of high-quality videos and podcasts
- To build knowledge and understanding from disciplinary, interdisciplinary and/or cross-sector perspectives
- To increase dissemination and readership of original content by expanding mainstream and scholarly access to a larger pool of primary resources and accurate accountings
- To transfer knowledge with the potential to lead to societal benefit and impact

### ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES

- University students pursuing a graduate degree (Masters or Doctoral level) program
- Post Doctoral Scholars
- Academics and Researchers
- Independent Writers and Freelance Journalists
- Others interested in developing knowledge and understanding of Artsakh

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### GENERAL GUIDELINES, TERMS & CONDITIONS

- Research projects and publishable output are to be completed within a 3-6-month period.
- Publishable output shall be preferably in English. French, Spanish, and Russian will also be considered. Other languages will be considered on a case by case basis.
- For the purposes of this grant, an article is defined as a previously unpublished, high-quality, original research.
- Projects will be assessed on their originality, potential for impact and feasibility.
- Grantee must notify AGBU upon completion and publication of project; furthermore, grantee must notify AGBU of any substantial changes to the proposed project or timeline.
- Grantee must notify AGBU in the event additional funding is received for this project.
- An acknowledgment of AGBU's support must appear on all materials publicizing or resulting from award activities.

Factors that will be weighted positively (not all factors need be present in any one application):

- Clear indication of the significance of the research
- Clear statement of objectives, timeline and expected outcomes
- Expected impact on the field

Factors that will receive a negative weighting:

- Change of the direction of the research project midcourse
- Applicants cannot be employed as an assistant or associate for a research program directed by another researcher, or as a writer for a publication, or producer of audio/video output on the topic related to this application.

### GRANTS

Maximum Value: \$10,000

*Please note that this is a grant and need not be repaid. Payment will be issued in two (2) installments (50% upon award and 50% upon publication) upon return of a signed agreement and completed W-9 form.*

### APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis until April 30, 2021.

### CONTACT INFO

For additional information or to apply, contact [education@agbu.org](mailto:education@agbu.org).