



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDE

TURKISH GREEN CRESCENT SOCIETY

**POSTGRADUATE THESIS RESEARCH
SCHOLARSHIP GRANT PROGRAM**

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1. PROCEDURE

1.1. POSTGRADUATE THESIS RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP GRANT

1.1.1. Introduction

Green Crescent (i.e., Yeşilay) is a non-governmental organization that is based on human dignity and honor, works indiscriminately for protecting the society and youth from bad habits; fights against addiction such as tobacco, alcohol, drugs, technology, gambling etc. Making use of scientific methods and performs defensive studies against the same; and that conducts preventive and rehabilitating public health activities.

As well as addictions such as tobacco, alcohol and drug addiction that destroy the physical and mental health of youth and society, the objective of Turkish Green Crescent Society includes following targets to fight against all bad habits such as gambling, internet and technology addiction that may be harmful for the youth and society, to raise culture-bound generations. The society adopts the values and principles that are specified as not making any discrimination, looking after one's benefits, autonomy in the activities conducted for these purposes, as well as being scientific, global and social.

Green Crescent activates consciousness, strength and sources of the society in order to fight against addiction as part of the founding purposes and strategic targets. It helps needy people under any conditions, places and time in line with protection of human dignity and honor; makes constant contribution to the development of fighting capacity of the society against addiction, creates essential cooperation and coordination with private and non-governmental organizations as well as national and international organizations and improves cooperative organizations.

Within the scope of Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program, postgraduate and doctoral dissertation studies to contribute study fields of (i.e., tobacco-cigarette, alcohol, drug, technology, gambling and other types of addiction) Turkish Green Crescent Society regarding fight against addiction will be supported in universities, institutes and research centers. Postgraduate thesis studies to be supported will be directly related to the activities and objectives Turkish Green Crescent Society as well as national targets and strategies for the fight against addiction.

1.1.2. Program Objective

Fight against addiction further includes developing academic publications for the multidimensional fighting areas (i.e., alcohol, tobacco, drug, gambling, technology, and other types of addiction) contained therein. Scientific-based studies to set an example in this field through either national or international activities bear great importance.

Turkish Green Crescent Society supports the students studying in these fields with the scholarships granted for postgraduate thesis studies since 2014 in line with its target of supporting scientific studies, which are conducted as part of fight against addiction.

With "Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship of Turkish Green Crescent Society", it is intended to increase the scientific studies regarding addictions and create awareness. It is aimed to add variety to the fight against addiction in Turkey in many fields from health sciences to social sciences; to review international applications and increase academic publications which will create a reference nationally. The fact that academic publications in our country in the field of fight against addiction is not within the desired number prevents developing efficient policies in the fight against addiction and establishing operation mechanisms. In this respect, it is essential to support qualitative and quantitative studies, which will be prepared in many fields from health sciences to social sciences and that are likely to create a reference at national and international level.

Within this framework, Head Office of Turkish Green Crescent Society will support the thesis studies to be conducted by the students in the field of addictions thanks to the Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program executed thereof.

In order to ensure that more postgraduate students make use of Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program and Access to those, who perform studies in this field, the applications of postgraduate and doctoral students, who completed the lesson period by the application deadline of scholarship program for the sixth period, will be accepted.

1.1.3. Scholarship Grant to be provided by Turkish Green Crescent Society

The amount of fund, allocated for the postgraduate thesis to be supported within the framework of Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program is TL 1000 for postgraduate thesis and TL 1.500 for dissertation thesis. Turkish Green Crescent Society reserves the right not to allow use of these funds, allocated for this program, in full or in part.

Type of Scholarship	Amount of monthly Grant	Total Maximum Grant (Month)
Postgraduate Thesis	TL 1000	12 Months
Dissertation Thesis	TL 1.500	18 Months

1.2. TERMS OF APPLICATION AND ISSUES TO BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION

In this chapter; procedures for accepting, selecting and executing the applications as part of scholarship program for the sixth period, are described in compliance with the provisions of "Regulation on Scholarship of Turkish Green Crescent Society" and "Green Crescent Scholarship Program Guide." Applicants hereby agree with the provisions of this regulation as well as any and all issues included in this guide as of the date of application.

Turkish Green Crescent Society reserves the right to cancel this grant program at any stage of the process in case of force majeure. In such a case, applicants may not claim a right from Turkish Green Crescent Society.

Thesis advices, for which an application was made to Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program may be utilized at any time by Green Crescent for educational purposes and without seeking for the consent of the applicant.

Turkish Green Crescent Society is entitled to publish the dissertations, which are deemed to be proper among the postgraduate and doctoral dissertations prepared by the scholarship holders (i.e., 1.000 pcs.) for once and without any copyrights thereof.

Scholarship holders are expected to prepare a scientific article for the postgraduate and doctoral dissertations to be prepared thereof; the articles, which are considered to be proper are published by Green Crescent on behalf of the scholarship holder in respective media. In the event that the prepared dissertations are to be published in magazines with arbitrators, the scholarship holders are expected to state that 'they conducted their studies with the support of Green Crescent (i.e., Yeşilay). The scholarship holder hereby agrees with the same for receiving a grant.

1.2.1. Qualifying Criteria

There are two fundamental qualifying criteria for the dissertations for which grant will be provided:

- Qualification of Applicants
- Qualification of Dissertations

A. Qualification of Applicants: Who can apply?

Applicants must have the following criteria in order to make an application for 2018/6 Green Crescent (Yeşilay) Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program:

- To be at the thesis stage of postgraduate learning programs. (To have completed the course period)
- To be enrolled in any postgraduate education program.

B. Qualification of Dissertations

Thesis studies to make an application for 2018/6 Yeşilay Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program must have the following qualifications:

- Compliance of thesis title and content with the department where education is received.
- Compliance of thesis title and content with the operating fields of Yeşilay and the following primary subjects.
- Not having any grant from any other institution/organization for thesis study.

Fields of Study to be supported as part of Scholarship Grant Program:

Only the thesis studies to be conducted in the following fields of study will be taken under reviews within the context of postgraduate scholarship grant.

- Tobacco Addiction
- Drug Addiction
- Alcohol Addiction
- Technology Addiction
- Gambling and other habitual addiction types

As part of Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program for the period of 2018/6, following dissertation studies will be prioritized which are required by Green Crescent in accordance with its strategic plan and targets:

- a. Studies regarding addiction in which campaigns and methods to raise the awareness of society will be reviewed.
- b. Studies to be conducted on the relation of demographic characteristics (i.e., training, level of income, age, gender etc.) with drug addiction.
- c. Studies in which the issue of preventing addiction in, and informing women/mothers and children, will be reviewed.
- d. Studies on the harms, effects of electronic cigarette, and review of the legislation thereof.
- e. Studies and programs, performed for the review of rehabilitation model and social support systems.
- f. Studies to be conducted on the relation of special groups (easily vulnerable groups: mother/woman, refugees, the young and children etc.) with addiction.
- g. Social media studies on online sexuality and dating sites (Pedagogical review of computer games, the aspects of the impact of the same on the child, the effect of subliminal messages)
- h. Studies to be conducted on the impact of media on the perception of addiction.
- i. Studies on the relation of puberty and addiction.

- j. Studies on the international review of the organizations and institutions that provide training about addiction.
- k. Review and comparative analysis of global models to provide support for Green Crescent youth organizations: Studies on the review of acts of the youth in the fight against addiction.
- l. Family studies to be conducted on the demographic structure and inclination towards drugs.

C. Significant Conditions

Applicants must fulfil all of the following conditions in order to be entitled to receive Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship and not to be devoid of such right:

- a. To be qualified for the criteria, set forth in the guide for Yeşilay Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program.
- b. No to have a relationship based on self interest with the industries of tobacco, alcohol and other addictive substances.
- c. No to have training in a postgraduate program that is about addictive substances such as Department of Wine Production Technology.
- d. Not to have been engaged in any activity so as to reveal addiction about any kind of addiction included in the struggling area of Green Crescent.
- e. Not to have a finalized adjudication with respect to any crime regarding the types of addiction beforehand.
- f. Not to make any false statement during procurement of information, requested by Turkish Green Crescent Society as a participation clause for the call of Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship.

1.2.2. Type of Application and Actions to be taken

A. Application Form and Other Documents

Applications will be made online through the following address "burs@yesilay.org.tr". Students, who are entitled to receive scholarship grant following the application, will deliver their documents, required for final enrolment to the following address of Turkish Green Crescent Society at "Genel Merkez Ek Hizmet Binası Emekyemez Mahallesi Tersane Caddesi No:114 Karaköy – Beyoğlu / İstanbul" in person or through mail.

Application form regarding the application to Thesis Research Scholarship Grant Program and the annexes therewith are available in full at www.yesilay.org.tr address.

Application Form and other documents must be prepared in Turkish. It is essential to fill in any areas in the respective form during the applications. Furthermore, standard format must be followed while filling in these forms and any current texts must not be deleted or amended. Otherwise, the application made

thereof will be left out of assessment during the preliminary review. Applications made in handwriting and with typewriter will not be accepted. Considering that your applications will be evaluated only on the basis of submitted documents, please fill in pre-application form and other documents carefully and as clear as possible. Other than the documents requested from you, no additional documents will be evaluated. In the event that submitted information is not clear and such circumstance prevents to make a fair assessment, additional description will be requested.

A. Documents to be submitted during the Application

- Scholarship application form
- Student certificate (Current student certificate)
- Transcript (current transcript)
- Language certificate, if any (IELTS, TOEFL, YÖKDİL, YDS, KPDS, UDS etc.)
- Document, prepared by institute which indicates that postgraduate and/or doctoral dissertation suggestion was accepted, Dissertation recommendations, approved by **01.11.2017** and thereafter will be accepted.)
- Detailed CV of the Applicant (publications, academic events, participated by presenting report, if any)
- It is recommended that a reference letter be obtained from thesis supervisor or at least one of the academics from/with whom the applicant take lessons or work together.

As the scholarship assessment process will be executed in stages, the originals of the requested documents will be requested again from the applicants, who won a scholarship grant, in the next stages of the evaluation. In this context, essential information is listed in the foregoing application link. It is essential that all of the documents in question must be included in the application so that the application would be valid.

As the applicants, who are entitled to receive scholarship grant, will be requested to submit the originals of these documents at the stage of signing of the agreement, it is suggested that related documents be kept until the period of execution of the agreement.

1.3. EVALUATION PROCESS

Independent evaluators will be appointed by Turkish Green Crescent Society in order to determine the applicants for whom "Turkish Green Crescent Society Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship" will be granted. The documents of the applicants, who meet the terms of application and that have made their applications in compliance with the requirements will be sent to the independent evaluators so that the same could be evaluated. Applications qualified for administrative and technical assessments will be submitted to Executive Board of Green Crescent (i.e., Yeşilay).

The Executive Board will determine the applicants who are qualified for the scholarship among the applications which meet the conditions and for which compliance of corporate culture is taken as a basis and the applicants are announced on the internet site. The names of the applicants who are not qualified for Postgraduate Thesis Research Scholarship are not announced.

1.4. MONITORING PERIOD

- a.)* Scholarship holder will submit the thesis in question in the form of an interim report in written in quarterly periods.
- b.)* The interim report in the 6th month, which is the second interim report period, will be submitted to the scholarship commission in the Head Office of Turkish Green Crescent Society orally and in written at 6-month intervals.
- c.)* Postgraduate scholarship holders will submit the second interim report and final report and the doctoral scholarship holders will submit the second and fourth interim report along with the final report orally and in written to the Scholarship Commission in the Head Office of Turkish Green Crescent Society.
- d.)* Scholarship holder must submit the plagiarism report together with the final report.
- e.)* Scholarship holder must deliver the prepared thesis in digital and printed format to Green Crescent.

1.5. CANCELLATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

- In the event that scholarship holder fails to write the thesis in the field for which scholarship application is made and that is undertaken in the agreement,
- that the student is discharged from the organization where he receives postgraduate education and studentship period terminates,
- and that the interim report, which is submitted routinely throughout the scholarship period is returned back by the supervisor three (3) times and an arrangement is requested, such scholarship is suspended until the interim report is completed. The scholarship will be maintained once the interim report is completed.

1.6. APPLICATION DEADLINE

Application deadline for the scholarship program was determined to be **04.05.2018** at 05:30 p.m. Applications made after this date will not be put into process.