

How could you help us? And which impact has your contribution on achieving our goal?

- **Financial support:**

If you subscribe with us with the minimum monthly amount of just **5 euro** for a period of **2 years** you will be contributing to cover **1%** of the student's expenses for **one year** or **14%** of her/his **monthly expenses**. You might think your contribution is small but be sure it makes **big impact** and it moves us a step forward to reach our goal.

- **Mentoring support:**

Be part of our network of academics and students to help Syrian students and applicants to support them getting an opportunity to complete their tertiary education. You can fill out a form to tell us how could we cooperate by visiting our website.

- **Join our team:**

We are a group of students who work voluntarily on developing this initiative and we are open to new members; If you want to volunteer with us and join our team, please visit our website for possible joining opportunity.

Don't hesitate to send us an email in case you have a project idea or a suggestion.

Today you can!

Be part of the action
and make difference.

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What is Academpower?

Academpower is an initiative that aims to **empower Syrian students** towards achieving their higher education goals. The initiative is based on the conviction that investing in individuals is important in order to equip them with the right tools to **face the challenges of Syria's future**.

Who we are?

We are a group of students and academics who believe in the right of each person to get a **decent education** and who have decided to gather our expertise and knowledge to establish Academpower. We assume that higher education represents a catalyst, an **agent of change and development** for individuals and societies.

Our projects

Our main idea is to **create a network of academics and students** in order to support Syrian students in their access to higher education and in their education process. To do so, we have firstly launched our pilot project, **Academic Empowerment Scholarship**.

Secondly, we are planning to create a **mentoring program** based on building a platform to network academics and students with Syrian students. This platform aims to be useful for Syrian students to support them during the pre-studies and their study phase:

- Pre-study phase: searching for a study place, to apply to universities or to scholarships, giving advices and providing resources to improve the language skills, etc.
- Study phase: getting familiar with the new educational system, dealing with learning difficulties, supporting in linguistic difficulties during the studies, offering a support in research methodologies, etc.

Academic Empowerment Scholarship AES.

Our group of **young scholars and researchers** is based upon the conviction that an academic scholarship is a **life changing opportunity**. Therefore we launch our pilot project: Academic Empowerment Scholarship (AES).

This scholarship is basically made by Syrian students who got a scholarship in 2015 to complete their studies in Germany, and **feel the responsibility** to pass the chance they got to other students – among those who are struggling to get an opportunity to complete their studies – in order to study in Germany. This is a way of **sustaining and regenerating** the opportunity they had, and to do their part in empowering others.

The particularity of our Scholarship

AES aims to grant a **scholarship to one master student** from Syria by covering her/his living expenses and tuition fees in order to study in a **German University** for maximum period of 2 years.

Our Scholarship achieves **sustainability** by relying basically on a collaborative **and solidary crowd funding**. We aim to finance a big part of the scholarship through **monthly subscriptions of (€ 5, €10, €25...)** to raise 50-60 percent of the money needed to finance the scholarship; this would require the contribution of 140-170 individuals with an average subscription period of one year, or an equivalent donation of one-time.

The Scholarship will:

- Promote and provide financial support to one student;
- Support the scholarship holder with the information necessary to deal with the new educational environment;
- Lead a collaborative network of community and educational partners aligned to support the student's preparation and persistent till degree completion.