

Embassy of India Yerevan

GENERAL ADVISORY FOR INDIAN STUDENTS WISHING TO STUDY IN ARMENIA AND GEORGIA

- Armenia & Georgia offer higher education in medical, technical and humanitarian sciences.
- Indian Students seeking admission in the Yerevan State Medical University (YSMU), Armenia or Tbilisi State Medical University (TSMU), are informed that the Medical Council of India (MCI) recognizes ONLY the MBBS degree. On completion of degree course at YSMU or TSMU, Indian students are required to clear the screening test conducted by MCI and to receive the certificate for medical practice in India as MBBS doctors. Therefore, recognition of medical degrees awarded by YSMU and TSMU is no more relevant.
- It is mandatory that all the Certificates and mark sheets issued in India are to be apostilled at **Ministry of External Affairs (CPV Division Patiala House)**, New Delhi for seeking admission.
- For clarification on **eligibility certificate**, please contact the Medical Council of India [Shri A.P. Baluni, Section Officer, Tel: 2536 7321; email: eligibility@mciindia.org].
- **YSMU in Armenia and TSMU in Georgia are only universities which are controlled by respective Governments.** There are some privately owned medical universities in both these countries whose credentials are not known.
- Indian Students are also hereby informed that the **National Polytechnic and Architecture University of Armenia** offers B.E., M.E. degrees & Ph.D. which are **not** recognized in India presently. However, an Inter-government agreement on mutual recognition of post graduate degrees & diploma with Armenia is under consideration.
- Both Armenia and Georgia are **cold countries**. The temperature from mid November till mid-March dips below zero (-1 to -15 degree Celsius). The students are advised to equip themselves with sufficient woolen clothing and winter shoes.

Before leaving India

- Armenia & Georgia are **NOT** part of **Europe & NOT** members of the **European Union**.
- Browse through the websites of YSMU & TSMU attentively.
- It is in the interest of aspiring students who wish to study in these universities to do thorough survey & satisfy themselves about the credibility of courses offered by these universities and also about their agents involved, if any. Some of the self-styled agencies of these Universities are advertising through their own website (s) and/or through electronic and print media and offering admission in these universities. These advertisements do not often present correct picture and in most of the cases, they are exaggerated. Please thoroughly crosscheck the authenticity of information circulated by them.

- Get full and accurate details of actual costs involved such as Tuition Fee/Boarding/Lodging/Other Expenses. Alsocross check and verify what the agent quotes. Both in Armenia and Georgia, in addition to tuition fee, a minimum US\$ 300-400 per month is required to meet expenditure on accommodation, food, cell phone and other personal needs.
- Students must check in advance the availability hostel facilities at the University where
 they are seeking admission. Presently, TSMU in Georgia doesn't run its own hostels for
 students while in YSMU in Armenia offers hostels to new entrants. If deficit arises, senior
 (foreign) students are normally advised to move out of hostel and to arrange accommodation
 for self outside the campus. Students are also expected to make their own arrangements for
 food, if they wish. Some small eateries are available around hostels.
- Some Indian restaurants are available in Yerevan and Tbilisi which are owned by local Indian businessmen at affordable rates.
- Any student during the stay in Armenia/Georgia requires treatment for any complicated ailment/major surgery and etc, he/she is advised to go to India or elsewhere.

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