

## FOUR GENERATIONS of Boris Trajkovski Foundation-NOVA Scholarship Students

The Boris Trajkovski Foundation-NOVA Scholarship Program started in 2005. Since then, four generations of successful NOVA students have matriculated through this fellowship program, continuing with their studies at high ranking American and European universities. Here is what the Class of 2011 Graduates of the Program said about their respective experiences:



I feel, quite strongly, that the Boris Trajkovski-NOVA scholarship was a defining moment for my academic growth and development. NOVA allowed me to change, to find myself in a myriad of ways. During my four years at the school, I acquired the knowledge and the skills, which in turn helped me get accepted to some of Western Europe's and the US' most prestigious universities; what is more, as a NOVA student, I was given a unique opportunity to study in a real-world multicultural milieu, thus becoming a true cosmopolitan and fostering a culture of an open and critical mindset. In turn, I represented NOVA and the Foundation at numerous competitions and events, quite proudly and with dignity. At present, I am a freshman at **HARVARD COLLEGE**, where I have the honor of sitting in on lectures taught by some of the best professors in the world, conducting research in some of the best science labs in the world. **Ana Kotevska**



NOVA helped me develop both intellectually and emotionally, thus preparing me for the numerous challenges I am currently facing as a freshman at **YALE** (in the US). My intended major, in theatre arts and literature comes almost as a natural follow-up to my NOVA learning experiences in the field of humanities. Truthfully, when I applied for the Boris Trajkovski Scholarship I didn't quite understand the ramifications of one such academic adventure; my ambition was to succeed – now, in retrospect, I see that the scholarship afforded me the direction needed to continue with my studies at one of the most prestigious universities in the world. **Aleksandra Gjorgievska**



I came to NOVA from Tetovo; my only way in was through the Boris Trajkovski-NOVA Scholarship Program. The four years I spent at NOVA are an unforgettable experience, both in terms of the academics it offered and the personal learning it fostered. The opportunity to design my own curriculum, by choosing subjects at different performance levels, helped me widen my understanding and knowledge of the field of economics and finance, an area I am pursuing currently as an undergraduate student at **SEE University**. I truly believe that one day, I may repay the trust the NOVA leadership and the Boris Trajkovski Foundation had placed in me. **Artina Bexheti**

## THE BORIS TRAJKOVSKI FOUNDATION - NOVA INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



*2012-2015 Boris Trajkovski-NOVA Scholarship Students*

The late President Boris Trajkovski was a friend of NOVA's. Certain aspects of his leadership legacy, which echo the mission and philosophy of the school, are the cornerstone on which the partnership between NOVA and the Boris Trajkovski Foundation is founded. Through this Scholarship Program both institutions take an active role in providing true and adequate support to gifted students and future leaders of the Republic of Macedonia.

## Number of Scholarships

Three full scholarships (covering full tuition and fees) will be awarded. Additionally, ten more students (out of the top 20), will be invited to apply for financial aid (in the amount of up to 50% of the tuition cost).

## Scholarship Renewal

The scholarship is automatically renewed each year (for the duration of the studies) under the condition that the scholarship student meets the academic and leadership expectations of the school; to maintain an excellent GPA (10.0 or above, on a scale from 1-12.0); to take an active role in the school's Community Service Program; and to participate fully and continuously in one of the school's leadership-oriented extracurricular activities. Academic dishonesty, or a serious disciplinary infraction, will likely constitute grounds for terminating the scholarship.

## Selection Criteria

- Application Forms; Recommendation Forms (2)
- Excellent GPA (5-8 grades)
- The results achieved on the diagnostic tests, in English\* and Math\*
- Short Essay\* in English
- Interview (in English)

The results, once accumulated, from the evaluation of the submitted application, the results on the tests (English/Math) and the essay will be announced publically. The top twenty (20) candidates will be invited for an interview in front of a committee. In the final choosing of the three (3) full scholarship, in case of a tie (matching results), the Head of School has the discretionary right to finalize the selection process. Those candidates that are ranked, after the April 6<sup>th</sup> notification, 4-20 are invited to apply for financial aid\*\*. 10 candidates (at best) will be chosen for the financial aid packages, which will cover up to 50% of tuition fees.

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\*All testing is confidential; the students sign in under a codename, and the ranking list when announced bears the codenames of the candidates (to maintain impartiality)

\*\*The candidates applying for financial aid should also fill out a financial aid form (to be obtained from the Register's Office at NOVA Schools).

## APPLICATION TIMELINE

**February 27 – March 15, 2012**

### Application Documents:

- (1) Application Form, which can be obtained in hard copy format from Nova International Schools, or electronically, from the school's webpage ([www.nova.edu.mk](http://www.nova.edu.mk)), as a PDF.
- (2) Letters of Recommendation:
  - One from a Homeroom Teacher/Advisor
  - One from a subject teacher (of choice)
- (3) Final School Transcripts (photocopies), for grades 5, 6 and 7; Mid-Year School Transcript (photocopy), for grade 8.
- (4) (photocopies)Certificates/Diplomas awarded at competitions (this does not include certificates or reports from language courses)
- (5) Birth Certificate (photocopy)
- (6) One passport-size photograph

### **Application Process:**

- **February 27 – March 15, 2012, from 8:00-16:00 hrs (submitting the application documents at NOVA)**
- **March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012, from 17:00-18:30 hrs**, a Q and A session held at NOVA for all interested potential applicants and their parents.
- **March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 (SATURDAY), at 10:00 am**  
The testing portion of the application process: English and Mathematics, plus an essay (on an assigned topic). Duration: 4 hours, including a 30 minute break.
- **March 19-23, 2012**  
Evaluating the submitted applications, the testing results; selecting the top 20 candidates.
- **March 23, 2012, 13:00 hr**  
Announcing the results (under the candidates' self-chosen codenames) at NOVA's Info Board, and the school's website.
- **March 26-30, 2012**  
Conducting individual interviews with the top 20 candidates (in front of a committee)
- **April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012**  
Notifying the scholarship recipients via mail. Each selected scholarship student needs to confirm their intention of enrolling at NOVA within one week; otherwise, the scholarship will be offered to an alternative (other) candidate from the list.