

## Al Ghurair Scholarship Programs

The Al Ghurair scholarship programs provide high-achieving, underserved Arab youth with financial assistance and academic and non-academic support.

The Foundation has two scholarship programs that focus on providing youth with access to high-quality higher education. While the programs took in their last cohorts in 2021, there are 144 continuing scholars who will graduate by 2024.

- 1. Al Ghurair STEM Scholars Program: undergraduate or graduate degrees in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics.
- 2. Al Ghurair Open Learning Scholars Program (OLSP): graduate online degrees and credentials.

Since launch, 899 scholars graduated from the scholarship programs with:

47% female
404 OLSP scholars
495 STEM scholars
68% employed or pursuing internships
17% are pursuing further studies

Through an alumni community that promotes meaningful collaboration and knowledge exchange, the Foundation engages graduates in a variety of ways:

- Alumni Community Group on LinkedIn connects alumni from different programs.
- **5 Country Hubs** connect scholars and alumni who reside within the same country.
- 10 Alumni Chapters bring together alumni with similar academic backgrounds.
- Capacity-building Workshops equip alumni with essential skills to support their growth.
- Monthly Alumni Newsletter shares relevant news to support alumni's careers.
- Events and engagements held in 2023 were 50+ virtual and 20+ in person.







"It all began with a dream to help people around the globe and specifically my people, Palestinians. To help change the world, I knew I'd have to excel academically. My academic journey started with pursuing my undergraduate studies at the best university in the Middle East, the American University of Beirut (AUB). I received a scholarship from the Abdulla Al Ghurair Foundation (AGF) to attend AUB. This opened doors for me to pursue further higher education and lifelong learning, enabling me to later pursue my master's degree in Global Health at Duke University. AGF played an important role in my success, encouraging me to excel by setting the bar high in terms of GPA requirements and constantly checking in. The Foundation was a great source of support and motivation, offering multiple learning and development opportunities. I am grateful for AGF scholarship program, and I encourage youth to regularly check AGF programs and enroll in them."

Nour Hammad, STEM Scholarship Graduate