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ODYSSEUS SUMMER SCHOOL 2026



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The Odysseus Academic Network in collaboration with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) calls for applications from refugees for the 26th edition of its Summer School on EU Immigration and Asylum Law and Policy (Brussels, 29 June – 10 July 2026).

About the Summer School

The Summer School is organised by the Odysseus Academic Network. It provides a comprehensive and up-to-date overview of Immigration and Asylum Law and Policy of the European Union (EU). Participants will benefit from both theoretical and practical insights, delivered by leading academics, practitioners, and EU officials. Special attention will be given to recent legislative, jurisprudential, and political developments at the EU level.

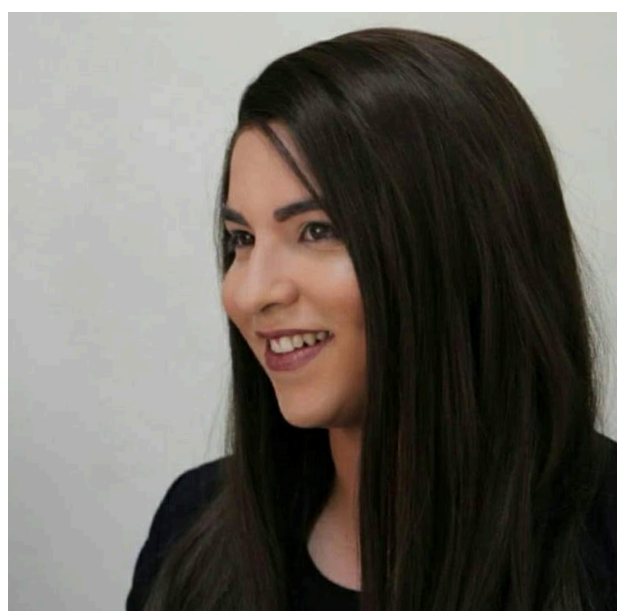
About the Student-Refugee Scholarships

This initiative is a response to the current asylum situation in Europe and aims to provide refugee students with the opportunity to gain knowledge in EU immigration and asylum law. It is intended to support their integration in Europe, particularly by allowing them to engage with European academics and continue their studies, which may have been interrupted due to forced departure from their home countries. Since 2016, 35 refugees from diverse backgrounds have benefited from the Refugee Scholarship to attend the Summer School. They come from countries such as Iraq, Afghanistan, Syria, Eritrea, Ukraine, Sudan, and many others.

The scholarship covers registration fees, travel costs, and accommodation for the entire duration of the Summer School. Only persons officially recognised as refugees or as beneficiaries of subsidiary or temporary protection may apply. Asylum seekers are not eligible. **The deadline to apply is May 15th 2026.**

Discover the testimonials of previous Student-Refugees!

[Camila Vargas \(El Salvador\)](#)



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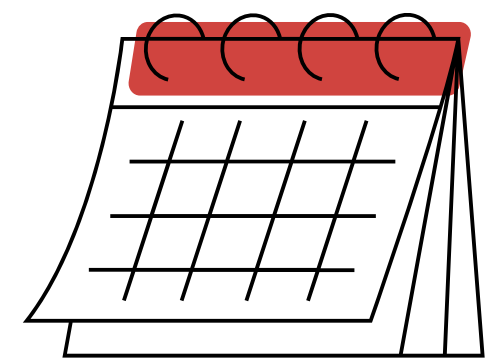
The initiative being entirely self-financed, the Odysseus Network cannot fund alone this initiative. It has therefore launched a [crowdfunding campaign](#). We hope to fully fund around ten participants who hold refugee or subsidiary protection status in Europe. Thanks in advance for any donation, small or big, all are welcome!

Have a look at our '[Refugee Voices](#)' booklet wherein the refugee students of the 2025 edition of Summer School present themselves.



Eligibility Criteria

- Hold refugee or subsidiary/temporary protection status in a EU country. Preference may be given to those granted protection between 2024-2026
- Have at least a Bachelor's degree in Law or a related field, or equivalent professional experience (e.g., with NGOs).
- Have a working knowledge of English or French.



How to Apply (before May 15th 2026):

1. Fill in the [online form](#) and select the "Refugee" option under "course fees".
2. Send the following documents by email to odysseus@ulb.be:
 - Your CV, detailing your education and/or relevant experience;
 - A short motivation letter explaining how attending the Summer School would benefit you;
 - Proof of protection status, including the country that granted it and the date;
 - A copy of your residence permit
 - A copy of your passport or ID card if you have one

Please merge all these documents into one single PDF file (e.g. using [iLovePDF](#)) before submitting.

 **For more information, please contact: odysseus@ulb.be**