

Evaluation Criteria

The competition consists of two phases - four analysts, receiving a stipend 1000 GEL (gross) from October to January, will be announced after the first phase. The winner of the final prize – 4000 GEL (gross), will be announced after the second phase of the competition, lasting from October to January. During the second phase, participants will write eight analytical pieces. The winner of the competition will be identified after evaluating the analytical works written during the four-month period. According to the stipend contract, the recipients of the stipend will have a legal duty to present eight analytical pieces. Other contestants are also eligible to participate in the second the second phase of the competition to win the final prize.

First Stage

First Stage – Application

To apply for the competition, applicants should present all the required documents. Documents will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- CV – Content (20); Formatting (10); Orthography (10)
- Essay – the ability to articulate ideas and arguments effectively (40); Formatting/Orthography (10)
- The field of interests (10)

Passing point is 55. The weight of the accumulated points in the first stage is 20%.

Second Stage – Interview

Applicants passing the first stage of the application process will be invited for the interview and will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- The ability to articulate ideas effectively (50)
- Motivation (25)
- Communication Skills (25)

The weight of the accumulated points in the second stage is 10%.

Third Stage – Written Task

On the third stage, contestants will be tasked to write an analytical piece that critically analyses the existing situation in the field of their choice. The work will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

- Comprehensiveness and complexity (80); Formatting/Orthography (10)
- Timely submission (10)

The weight of the accumulated points in the third stage is 25%.

Fourth Stage – Workshop

Contestants will attend lectures and will participate in the discussions organized during the workshop. At the end of the workshop participants will present a concluding work based on the discussions and lectures.

- Participation (20)
- Concluding Work (80)
 - Comprehensiveness and complexity (70)
 - Formatting/Orthography (10)

The weight of the accumulated points in the fourth stage is 45%.

Second Phase

Analytical Works

During the second phase, participants will present eight analytical pieces in four-month period (October – January). The winner of the competition will be announced based on the following criteria:

- Comprehensiveness and complexity (65)
- Originality (10)
- Formatting/Orthography (10)
- Outreach (15)