Criteria	Considerations for the evaluation	Value in relation to the total points		
		(1). for renewal applicants within the same academic level	(2). For new applicants	
			(2a). freshmen- to-be	(2b). NOT freshmen-to- be
1. Grade point average (GPA)	GPA value calculated in accordance with requested documents. Details on the way in which the Program will calculate the GPA for the competition are available <u>here</u>	35%	40%	45%
2. Letter of Intent	Style and fluency of writing; Comprehensibility, and coherence of expressed ideas and information; Ability to articulate sound academic goals; Commitment and motivation to study; Academic progress and accomplishments from previous year/s, if renewal applicant, including involvement in academic extracurricular activities.	16%	16%	18%
3. Essay on Roma issues	Evidence of ideas and opinions stemming from personal experiences and involvement in Roma-related activities; Comprehensibility and coherence of expressed ideas and information; Ability to articulate sound thoughts and arguments; Awareness and knowledge of the Roma issues; Style and fluency of writing.	7%	12%	15%
4. Roma-related activities /voluntary support	Participation in voluntary-based Roma- related activities, initiatives, projects, and events, conducted either through organizations and /or institutions, or through informal groups of initiative, or on private /individual basis. <i>for an inventory of potential voluntary</i> <i>activities, please access the</i> <i>following link</i>	22%	17%	22%
5. Interview / renewal bonus points	Performance at the interview against the set criteria (for those applicants invited to the interview).	20% (bonus points)	15% (interview)	0%