

## AGBU PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP CERTIFICATES TO 23 BEST STUDENTS OF THE FRENCH UNIVERSITY IN ARMENIA

The official ceremony of granting scholarship certificates to the 23 best students of the French University in Armenia (UFAR) by the Armenian General Benevolent Union (AGBU) took place at the "Henry Cuny" hall of the French University on April 5, 2010. This year the total amount of AGBU's financial support to the University was 30,000 USD. AGBU and UFAR have been cooperating in a number of projects since 2004. Starting 2007, within the framework of this cooperation, AGBU has supported the University in covering the tuition expenses for a selected number of students.

"I am very happy and proud to be in the French University in Armenia and get acquainted with its activities and students. Armenia is becoming a multi-cultural and educational center thanks to the American, French and Slavonic Universities currently operating in Armenia, which come to complete the whole educational system of Armenia: let's not forget that for any country and nation the state university is the foremost educational institution. I wish good luck to all the universities. I hope this cooperation goes on and I believe that UFAR will have its important role in the future of our country", said President of AGBU Berge Setrakian.

"This is a very important event for us. We are honoured to receive the AGBU delegation here in the University. AGBU is granting scholarship certificates to our best students. It also finances the summer internship of some of our students in Paris. Once again we are fortunate to enjoy the benevolence of this organization. I view this visit as an assessment of the work carried out by our university and the quality of education that our students receive here", said Rector of UFAR Joëlle le Morzelec.

The official ceremony was attended by AGBU President Berge Setrakian, AGBU Council of Trustees members Nazar Nazarian and Karnig Yacoubian, AGBU Central Board member Vasken Yacoubian, AGBU Armenian Representation Director Ashot Ghazarian, Rector of the French University in Armenia Joëlle le Morzelec, other guests and officials. The ceremony was followed by a reception.

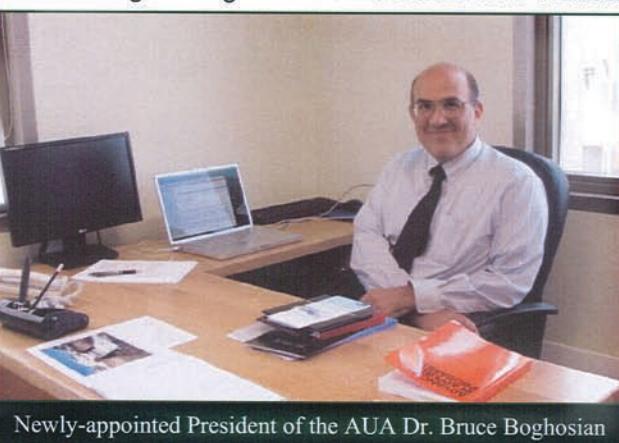


AGBU President Berge Setrakian and Rector of UFAR Joëlle Le Morzelec hand out scholarship certificates to the UFAR students

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## DR. BRUCE BOGHOSIAN APPOINTED NEW PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY OF ARMENIA

The American University of Armenia (AUA) has announced the appointment of Dr. Bruce M. Boghosian as President of the University, effective late summer 2010. Dr. Boghosian is Professor and Chair of Mathematics at Tufts University. A distinguished scholar with numerous publications to his credit, he holds a B.S. degree in physics and an M.S. degree in nuclear engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and a Ph.D. in Applied Science and Engineering from the University of California, Davis. Dr. Boghosian has held visiting positions at the Ecole Normale Supérieure in Paris, Peking University, University College London, University of California, Berkeley, International Centre for Theoretical Physics in Trieste, Schlumberger Cambridge Research Centre, University of California, Davis, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Newly-appointed President of the AUA Dr. Bruce Boghosian

In announcing the appointment of Dr. Boghosian, AUA Board Chairman Dr. C. Judson King paid tribute to AUA's current president Dr. Haroutune K. Armenian, who will retire this summer: "Dr. Haroutune Armenian has devoted thirteen heartfelt, energetic, and effective years as President of the American University of Armenia, from 1997 to 2010. During his tenure the University received initial accreditation by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, opened two new buildings, introduced new academic programs, and was instrumental in creation of the Digital Library of Armenian Classical Literature. Dr. Armenian personally led development and implementation of the Turpanjian Rural Development Program, resulting in establishment of over one hundred businesses in the Shirak and Tavush regions of Armenia and in Artsakh. The Board is grateful both to Dr. Armenian and to his wife, Mrs. Sona Armenian, for their thirteen years of effective service to the University."

C. Judson King  
AUA Board Chair