

ESANA GOALS

ESANA has four primary goals:

1. A Union Goal:

To protect and care for the affairs of its members; to objectively analyze and struggle to solve their problems; to represent them in front of all official and non-official levels;

2. A Promotional Goal:

To expose the true civilized and Islamic character of Egypt; to promote the national efforts of the country and Arab world for peace to American, Canadian and International societies;

3. A Political Goal:

To express, study and analyze the nation's problems, as well as those of the Arab and international community, and to express the ESANA's point of view in the periodic magazine;

4. A Scientific Goal:

To contribute to the scientific research development in Egypt by following-up on scientific shortcomings in Egypt and providing research solutions as much as ESANA's resources allow.

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Egypt is in our Hearts and Minds

Q & A about ESANA

What is ESANA?

The Egyptian Student Association in North America (ESANA) is a branch of the National Egyptian Student Association (NESA), a registered non-profit organization that aims at integrating the Egyptian scholarly community across the globe. ESANA is the largest branch of the NESA in the world. ESANA is funded by the Ministry of Higher Education and the Egyptian Cultural and Educational Bureaus in both USA and Canada. However, ESANA is an independent entity that has full student-authority over the use of its resources.

Who can be a member of ESANA?

All Egyptian graduate students in USA and Canada are eligible to ESANA membership. In addition, all Egyptians living in USA and Canada can be honorary members and can participate in ESANA activities.

What is the size and structure of ESANA?

As of February 2006, ESANA has approximately 1200 members distributed among 35 chapters in 23 American states and 4 Canadian provinces. Members of each ESANA chapter elect a local executive committee every year.

ESANA General Assembly (GA) is the highest authority in the ESA according to its constitution and is composed of local chapters' presidents who convene at ESANA GA once a year. ESANA Executive Committee (EC) is elected on annual basis during the GA meeting.

ESANA EC is composed of ESANA president, vice president and five officers. The EC is responsible for managing ESANA projects and activities in addition to executing the GA decisions.

ESANA ACTIVITIES

Social Fund: Although ESANA has limited resources, we partially reimburse ESANA members for uncovered health-care bills.

ESA-NET: An e-mailing list service where ESANA members can communicate and interact with each other. Two e-mailing lists are used as follow:

* members@esana.org: Official e-mails

* news@esana.org: Unofficial e-mails

ESANA Website: www.esana.org has a lot of resources about ESANA and its activities and projects in addition to links and documents important to ESANA members.

VESA (Voice of the Egyptian Student Association): is the annual ESANA magazine.

ESANA Exhibitions: Organizing exhibitions about Egypt at ESANA local units.

ESANA PROJECTS

The Book Campaign:

This project deals with collecting donated books and journals from all disciplines to update the libraries of the Egyptian Universities. Every year, ESANA members collect donated books, references and periodicals worth about one million dollars and ship them to an Egyptian university. Each year, an Egyptian university is selected to receive the donated materials and incurring only the shipping expenses of these materials. So far, the beneficiaries of this project include: Al-Azhar University in 1997, Assiut University in 1998, South Valley University in 1999, Cairo University in 2000, Al-Menoufia University in 2001, Helwan University in 2002 and 2003, and Al-Minya University in 2004. As for 2005, Cairo University was chosen for the 9th book campaign and 6th October University was chosen for the 1st Canada book campaign.

ESA-SINA (Studying In North America):

This project serves our colleagues in Egypt who wish to study in North America. Services include:

- * Providing relevant information about graduate schools and their programs.
- * Helping our colleagues to have competent applications.
- * Maintaining a database for professors, departments, and schools that are recommended by ESANA members.

ESA-Link:

This project aims at helping Egyptian students who are about to begin their studies in North America. This help includes:

- * Estimation of living expenses in several cities in USA and Canada.
- * Help new Egyptian students find suitable accommodation prior to their arrival to North America.
- * Pickup service to newly arrived Egyptian students at several Airports in USA and Canada.

ERS (ESANA Research Support):

This project aims at providing support and scientific advice to fellow researchers in Egypt, which includes:

- * Advice on useful research materials, such as state of the art reports, open-source software, amateur societies, etc.
- * Advice on useful online resources for different research areas.
- * Use of search engines available to help researchers in Egypt find research materials related to their research topics.

A project manager is assigned every year by ESANA-EC for every project