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The CDCS has already created an Encyclopedia website, which will be updated from time to time. Later, we plan to publish a hard copy book by using collected biographical data.

We are currently seeking nominations for Armenian women scholars who have published articles or other works in the 20th century and have been recognized by their academic and intellectual communities.

**ARMENIAN WOMEN SCHOLARS
OF THE XXth CENTURY:
A BIOGRAPHICAL
ENCYCLOPEDIA**



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Armenian Women Scholars of the XXth Century: A Biographical Encyclopedia

The Center for the Development of Civil Society in Armenia is pleased to present an exciting new project, the creation of an encyclopedia entitled *Armenian Woman Scholars of the 20th Century: A Bibliographical Encyclopedia*. This will acknowledge and honor the accomplishments of female Armenian scholars.

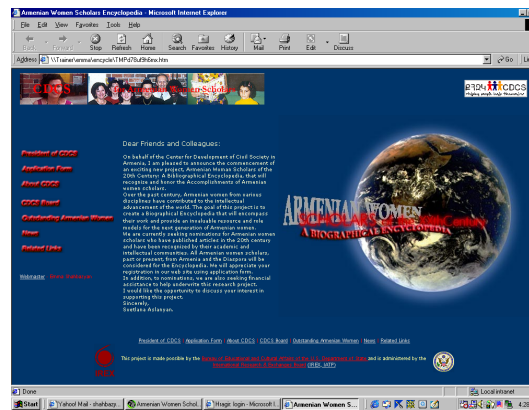
The Encyclopedia will have a tri-lingual (Armenian, English, and Russian) application form for registration.

For a long time, Armenian women have not been publicly acknowledged for their intellectual contributions. While their contributions to home and family have been extolled, few know of their academic accomplishments. In addition, this general ignorance has robbed today's young women of much-needed role models. Over the past century, Armenian women from various disciplines have contributed to the intellectual advancement of the world. The goal of this project is to create a biographical encyclopedia that will encompass their work and provide an invaluable resource and role models for the next generation of Armenian women. All female Armenian scholars, past or present, from Armenia and the Diaspora will be considered for the encyclopedia.

Goals of the project:

The main goals of the project are:

- To make the encyclopedia available for both scholars and those interested in academia. To aid in scholars' learning of each other's accomplishments and
- To help build scholars' potential collaboration with one another. To give young women an inspiration for becoming involved in academia.



The Target Group: The target population will be scholars, that is to say, women who have published articles or other works in the last century and have been recognized by their academic and intellectual communities. These scholars represent the fields of literature, language, anthropology, history, archaeology, economics and the sciences - biology, physics, mathematics, astronomy, earth science, chemistry, geology, and agriculture. We have already created an **Advisory Committee and Working Group**.

Advisory Committee:

The committee will be comprised of men and women representing various universities and academic institutions. They will be responsible for the selection of those to be included in the encyclopedia.

Advisory Committee members:

Dr. Svetlana Aslanyan - President of CDCS
Academician Lia Osipyan, NASA
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Academician Tina Asatiani, NASA
Academician Vladimir Barkhudaryan, NASA
Dr. Vagharshak Madoyan, Rector of An. Shirakatsi University of Foreign Relations
Dr. Karine Danielyan - Yerevan State University.
Hranush Kharatyan - Vice-President of CDCS, Professor at Yerevan State University
Sonya Mirzoyan-Director of State Central Historical Archive

Working Group:

This small group will be comprised of volunteers (many of whom are part of the Center for the Development of Civil Society and its division, the Women Scholars' Council) who are willing to devote their time and energy to the compilation of this information. They will be not only advisors, but also hands-on workers, who are devoted to the production of this encyclopedia.

Working Group members:

Svetlana Aslanyan - President of CDCS
Jaclina Aharonyan-Working Group Coordinator
Sofia Dilbaryan - Computer Operator
Melada Agabekyan – volunteer
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