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**Scholarship Offer in Partnership with  
The University of Technology, Jamaica**

**Available to Jamaicans Only**



## **AVAILABLE COURSE:**

**Disaster Risk Management and the Clinical Laboratory:  
Impacts of climate variability in Jamaica**

## ▼ DESCRIPTION AND BENEFIT OF PARTICIPATING IN THE COURSE

The course involves the introduction of both theoretical and practical fundamentals of Disaster Risk Management and Climate Resilience. It includes the introduction to disaster risk management and the effects of climate change on the clinical laboratory, functional areas of disaster management, processes and established protocols in laboratory emergency and regulatory considerations in emergencies.

The course seeks to identify local capacities to cope with the impact of climate variability on the clinical laboratory. It aims at develop the ability of the Laboratory Scientist to respond to needs in an emergency and to evaluate regulatory considerations in emergencies.

## ▼ COURSE OBJECTIVE

Upon completion of the course, the participants should:

1. Have an appreciation for disaster risk concepts and framework.
2. Have an appreciation for partnership and coordination in emergency interventions.
3. Evaluate the effects of climate variability on laboratory management.
4. Evaluate regulatory considerations/ established protocols in emergencies.
5. Correlate the relationship between vulnerability, disaster, disaster prevention and risk reduction.
6. Apply knowledge to respond appropriately to needs in an emergency within the clinical laboratory.

## PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS:

Practitioners should have at least 12 months working experience in their area of specialization.

## ▼ Target Group/Profile of Participants:

The course targets the following personnel:

- Laboratory practitioners
- Personnel from the Ministry of Health with an interest in disaster mitigation
- Hospital management
- Public Health Inspectors
- Nurses, Doctors, Allied health practitioners
- Veterinary practitioners
- Professionals engaged in disaster mitigation management
- Nongovernmental organizations engaged in disaster mitigation management.

## ▼ COURSE LOCATION, DATES & DETAILS:

The Course will be held from July 22 – 26, 2019 at the University of Technology Jamaica Papine Campus. For more specific questions about the Course, please contact Ms. Alicia Spencer at [alicia.spencer@utech.edu.jm](mailto:alicia.spencer@utech.edu.jm) or 1876-927-1680 - 9 Ext. 377.

## ▼ SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW:

<b>COURSE:</b>	Disaster Risk Management and the Clinical Laboratory: Impacts of climate variability in Jamaica
<b>MODALITY:</b>	Onsite, Jamaica
<b>LANGUAGE:</b>	English
<b>DURATION:</b>	5 days
<b>DEADLINE:</b>	June 28, 2019
<b>START AND END DATE:</b>	July 22 – 26, 2019

## ▼ SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS:

To apply for the scholarship, applicants must complete an OAS online scholarship application form and attach the required supporting documents listed below:

- One (1) recommendation letter from employer or school or community leader.
  - ✓ The letter from a school or employer must include the letterhead of the school or employer, the position of the referee, date and signature. The recommendation letter should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.
- Response to essay question - *Describe how participating in this course will enhance your skills, and directly impact organization, community and country.*
  - ✓ The essay should be no more than one page; written in size 12 times new roman font.
- Curriculum vitae or resume.
- Copy of a valid Government of Jamaica issued ID (passport or national ID Card).

### Please note the following:

- **ALL** the required documents must be combined into **one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB)**. If the file is larger than 5MB, the application system would not accept the file and does allow for more than one document to be uploaded.
- Please apply as soon as possible as space is limited.

[Click here to access for the online scholarship application Form](#)

## ▼ SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND RECIPIENT'S FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

<b>SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ 100% of the Course fee;</li> <li>✓ A stipend to help defray the cost of local transportation;</li> <li>✓ Study materials; and</li> <li>✓ Refreshments.</li> </ul>
<b>FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>⊗ Any additional costs that are not included in the OAS-UTech, Ja Scholarship.</li> </ul>

- ⊗ *These above expenses listed as financial responsibility shall be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the scholarship recipients.*

## ▼ ELIGIBILITY:

To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, an applicant must:

- Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents; and
- Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of Jamaica.

The following applicants are ineligible:

- ⊗ Current OAS scholarship recipients;
- ⊗ GS/OAS staff and their immediate relatives or GS/OAS consultants;
- ⊗ UTech Ja staff or consultants; and
- ⊗ OAS Permanent officials and their immediate relatives.

## ▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA:

- The merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic and/or professional background; and
- Applicants whose essays portray the highest potential for impact to country.

## ▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

- The OAS and UTech Ja contact selected candidates by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for the scholarship acceptance form. **Applicants who are not selected will not be contacted.**

## ▼ DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:

- This scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed a scholarship acceptance form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of Scholarship Recipients."

## ▼ SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION:

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to [scholarships@oas.org](mailto:scholarships@oas.org) with the subject "OAS-Chile Scholarship Program."

## ▼ FOR MORE INFORMATION



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