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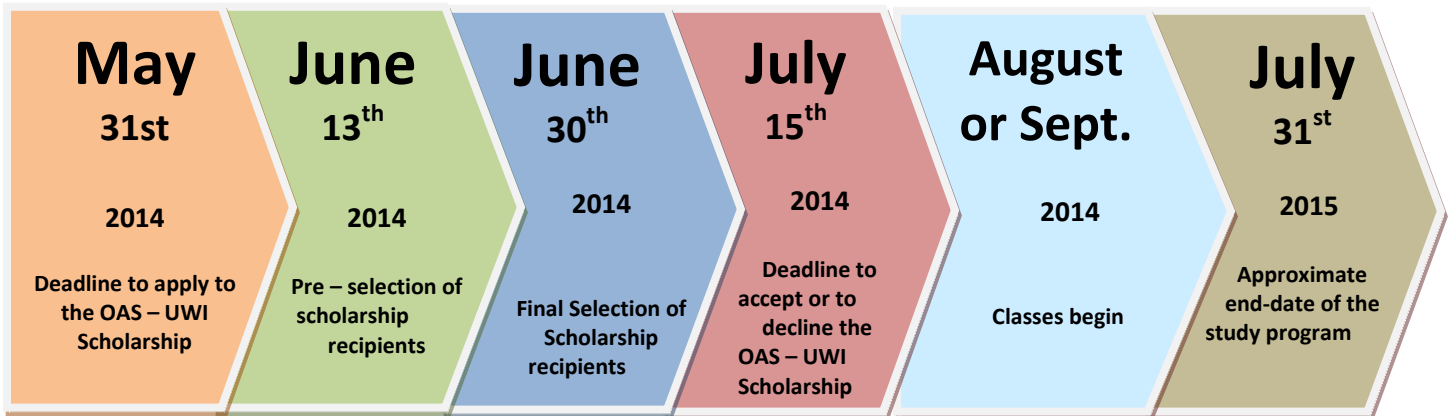
## OAS – University of the West Indies 2014 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC)

The Organization of American States (OAS), through the Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE) and the University of the West Indies (UWI), through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in its masters degree programs.

<b>PROGRAMS:</b>	Please see list of programs in the Annex of this announcement
<b>MODALITY:</b>	Onsite in Barbados, Jamaica or Trinidad and Tobago
<b>LANGUAGE:</b>	English
<b>DURATION:</b>	1 year
<b>DEADLINES:</b>	Scholarship application: May 31 <sup>st</sup> , 2014
<b>BENEFITS:</b>	The OAS and UWI will cover US\$7,000 of the tuition fees.

### IMPORTANT DATES:



# ABOUT UWI AND THE OAS

## The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States

GS/OAS is the central and permanent organ of the Organization of American States (OAS). Through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), GS/OAS supports OAS member states in creating policies and executing programs that promote human capacity development at all educational levels. By enabling formative opportunities to citizens, DHDEE strengthens democratic values and security under the framework of regional integration. DHDEE does this: (i) by supporting the efforts of OAS member states to improve the quality of and equity in education; and (ii) by assisting the citizens of the Americas in realizing their full potential by giving them access to knowledge and skills through training that improves the standard of living for individuals, families and communities in the region.

## University of the West Indies

The University of the West Indies established in 1948 initially as an external College of the University of London and made fully independent in 1962, is the oldest, fully regional institution of higher learning in the Commonwealth Caribbean. Supported by fifteen countries all current or former colonies of Great Britain, the University is committed to the development of the region through the training of its human resources, conducting research, delivering advisory services to governments as well as to the private sector and forging links with other institutions in the wider region and the rest of the world.

The University has expanded to four campuses that serve diverse communities across the Caribbean region Cave Hill (in Barbados), Mona (in Jamaica) and St. Augustine (in Trinidad) and the Open Campus all of which deliver high quality education, research and services to all 15 contributing countries that support the University, as well as the Turks & Caicos Islands. The University of the West Indies currently has a total enrolment of over 47,000 students and graduates annually over 8,000 students (at undergraduate, graduate and diploma levels).

## I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1. Student/Applicant's profile:** Please check the profile upon review of the program information on the University's websites as the profile differs per program.
- 2. Study Location/Modality:** Onsite, Barbados, Jamaica or Trinidad and Tobago
- 3. Study program start date:** August or September 2014
- 4. Study program duration:** 1 year
- 5. Approximate end date of the study program:** July 2015
- 6. Language of instruction:** English
- 7. Admission process:**
  - 7.1 Before applying for admission, we encourage applicants to read the program description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests.
  - 7.2 The student must possess a bachelor's degree diploma or certificate of completion of degree prior to the day the application is submitted.

**IMPORTANT: Please review all the information in your application before submission.**

## 8. UWI contact information:

Applicants can contact Ms. Marjorie Rose-Parkes at [marjorie.roseparkes@gmail.com](mailto:marjorie.roseparkes@gmail.com) for more information about the university's admission process.

## II. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND PROGRAM COSTS

### 1. Benefits:

1.1 The OAS and UWI will cover US\$7,000 of the tuition fees.

*Scholarship benefits are subject to the academic performance of the awardee. In order to receive these benefits, the awardee should not be reported with a low academic performance due to absences or failing courses.*

### 2. Financial Responsibilities of Awardees:

- 2.1 In addition to the remaining cost of tuition fees, the scholarship awardees will also be responsible for payment of travel expenses (to and from country of study), mandatory university fees, cost of books and study materials, health insurance, cost of living expenses, graduation expenses, visa expenses (where applicable) and any costs not covered by the scholarship.
- 2.2 These above expenses shall be the sole and exclusive responsibility of the scholarship recipients and the scholarship recipients will be responsible for payment of the remaining tuition fees and any other costs as needed to UWI.

### 3. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

- 3.1 Letter of unconditional admission to one of the graduate programs listed in the Annex of this announcement.
- 3.2 The student must not have received other academic scholarships from the OAS or from the UWI for the same level of studies and/or programs as requested in the 2014 OAS/UWI application.
- 3.3 Be citizens and/or permanent legal residents of any [OAS member state](#). **Please note that OAS scholarships are not offered for studies in one's country of citizenship or legal residence. Citizens and/or permanent legal residents of Barbados, Jamaica and Trinidad and Tobago will not be considered for OAS scholarships at the University campus located in their country of citizenship or legal residence.**
- 3.4 OAS staff, individuals who maintain employment contracts with the OAS, the staff of Permanent Missions to the OAS and their immediate relatives are not eligible to receive OAS/UWI scholarships.
- 3.5 No type of employment or commercial relationship shall be established between the OAS or UWI and the PAEC OAS/UWI scholarship recipients. Similarly, the OAS and UWI shall not assume any type of liability, whether civil, contractual or non-contractual, during the entire scholarship period.

### 4. Scholarship Application Process:

## STEP 1

Gather the following documents which must be included with the completed OAS/UWI scholarship application form, and in the following order:

1. Letter of unconditional admission by the University or Proof of application for admission, if admission status is known and/or application for admission has been made to the University at the time of this scholarship announcement;
  - I. Proof of application for admission to UWI could be shown in the forms of the application confirmation number, application ID number or email confirmation forwarded by UWI which confirms that the application was successfully received.
  - II. IMPORTANT: Although we encourage you to apply and submit the other required documents of the OAS Scholarship application before receiving your admission letter, you must submit a copy of the official admission letter by the scholarship application deadline to [nduncan@oas.org](mailto:nduncan@oas.org) with copy to [jpoteausaintime@oas.org](mailto:jpoteausaintime@oas.org).
  - III. IMPORTANT NOTE: Applicants, who have not yet applied to UWI, can still apply for the scholarship, stating clearly that they have not yet applied for admission to UWI. They will be informed after May 31st, 2014 to submit their application for admission to UWI, only if their application has been shortlisted for review by the Scholarship Selection Committee.
2. Copy of government issued identification document;
3. Curriculum Vitae or Resume; please list volunteering or community service that you have provided.
4. Copy of undergraduate academic records or transcripts of completed programs;
5. Two letters of recommendation: one letter from a university professor, and one from a current or most recent employer that includes: the letterhead of the University/Institution, the Professor's/Employer's position within the University/Institution, date and signature.
6. Students whose native language is not English will be required to submit one of the following proof of English proficiency:
  - I. An official transcript verifying completion of studies in an English speaking university in the last five years; OR
  - II. A test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a score of 570 or higher for the paper based test, 230 for computer-based test, or an internet-based TOEFL (IBT) score of at least 89. OR
  - III. IELTS 6.5, or the equivalent

*The date stated on the TOEFL or IELTS certificate must be within two years of your proposed start date.*

7. Proof that you have sufficient funds to cover tuition and fees and other costs as indicated in 2.1 above; which is estimated at US\$9,000, by submitting one, or a combination, of the following documents:
  - a copy of a rental agreement on property showing you as the property owner;
  - a copy of a bank statement or bank letter;
  - a letter from an employer showing a monthly or yearly salary;
  - a letter showing a student loan or additional scholarship(s), grants, financial aid.

**NOTE: Applicants must ensure that all information provided as part of the OAS Scholarship Application is accurate, true and correct. While documents are sent electronically, applicants must be able to present physical and original copies of these documents.**

- STEP 2** Draft the following essays: (each essay should have a minimum of 800 characters and maximum of 2900 characters)
- ✓ **Essay 1:** Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or career.
  - ✓ **Essay 2:** The OAS – PAEC Scholarship requires recipients to return to their country of citizenship or legal residence for 2 years upon completion of the studies. Please explain how you intend to apply the acquired knowledge and experience in the specific field of study that you pursue to the development in your country or region.
- STEP 3** Complete and send the [OAS/UWI Scholarship Application Form](#), along with the above indicated documents, which should be attached in pdf format and in one document in the order specified in Step 2 as you will be able to upload the supporting document once.
- Note: We strongly recommend applying for the scholarship as soon you start the process of admission to Institution. Only applicants that are admitted by the University or Educational Institution will be considered for the scholarship.
- STEP 4** The evaluation process, selection, and announcement of results will take place. During this period, the candidate should await the announcement of the scholarship results, which will published at [www.oas.org/scholarships](http://www.oas.org/scholarships) in June 2014.
- STEP 5** The scholarship acceptance process will take place. Only the selected candidates will be contacted via e-mail which will include the official scholarship offer and the instructions on its acceptance.
- STEP 6** Awardee should prepare for the beginning of the study program: registering for classes, ordering course books, among others.

## 5. Scholarship Selection Criteria

- 5.1 The merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic and professional background;
- 5.2 Geographical distribution of the applicants, taking into account the greater needs of the smaller and relatively less developed economies;
- 5.3 Applicants whose proposals portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin; and
- 5.4 Gender diversity.

## 6. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:

- 6.1 The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/UWI Acceptance Form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- 6.2 Neither the OAS nor the University shall assume any responsibility arising from the acceptance or rejection of degree or diploma awarded by the University at educational institutions in the country of origin of the scholarship recipient.
- 6.3 Scholarship awardees shall pay the remaining tuition fees and any other fees to UWI at registration before the program start.

**[APPLY NOW!](#)**

**For more information: [www.oas.org/scholarships](http://www.oas.org/scholarships)**

## ANNEX I

### List of the University graduate programs covered under this Scholarship Program

<b>CAVE HILL CAMPUS, BARBADOS</b>		
<b>HUMANITIES &amp; EDUCATION</b>		
<b>Degree</b>	<b>Programme</b>	<b>Study Modality</b>
Master of Art	Cultural Studies	Onsite
Master of Art	Creative Arts	Onsite
Master of Art	History	Onsite
Master of Art	Heritage Studies	Onsite
Master of Art	Master of Education	Onsite
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>		
Master of Science	Financial and Business Economics	Onsite
Master of Science	International Trade Policy	Onsite
<b>ST. AUGUSTINE CAMPUS, TRINIDAD &amp; TOBAGO</b>		
<b>HUMANITIES &amp; EDUCATION</b>		
Master of Art	History	Onsite
Master of Art	Master of Education	Onsite
<b>SCIENCE &amp; TECHNOLOGY</b>		
Master of Science	Biodiversity Conservation & Sustainable Development	Onsite
Master of Science	Computer Sciences	Onsite
Master of Science	Mathematics	Onsite
Master of Science	Occupational & Environmental Safety & Health	Onsite
Master of Science	Statistics	Onsite
<b>FOOD &amp; AGRICULTURE</b>		
Master of Science	Agri-Food Safety & Quality Assurance	Onsite
Master of Science	Agricultural Economics	Onsite
Master of Science	Marketing and Agribusiness	Onsite
Master of Science	Tropical Crop Protection	Onsite
Master of Science	Tropical Animal Science and Production	Onsite
Master of Science	Tropical Commodity Utilization	Onsite
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>		
Master of Science	Criminology & Criminal Justice	Onsite
Master of Science	Economics	Onsite
Master of Science	Government	Onsite
Master of Science	Management Studies	Onsite
Master of Science	Social Work	Onsite
Master of Science	Sociology	Onsite
Master of Science	Tourism Development & Management	Onsite
<b>ENGINEERING</b>		
Master of Applied Science (MASc) in Electrical & Computer Engineering	Communication Systems -Control Systems	Onsite
Master of Applied Science	Energy Systems -Integrated Systems	Onsite

(MAsc) in Electrical & Computer Engineering		
Master of Science	Chemical and Process Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Chemical and Process Engineering with Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Chemical and Process Engineering with Environmental Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Civil Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Civil with Environmental Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Coastal Zone Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Engineering Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Engineering Asset Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Environmental Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Food Science and Technology	Onsite
Master of Science	Geoinformatics	Onsite
Master of Science	Manufacturing Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Reservoir Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Petroleum Engineering	Onsite
Master of Science	Production Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Production Engineering & Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Urban and Regional Planning	Onsite
Master of Science	Water & Wastewater Services with Management	Onsite
<b>INSTITUTE OF GENDER &amp; DEVELOPMENT STUDIES</b>		
Master of Science	Gender & Development Studies	Onsite
<b>INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</b>		
Master of Science	Global Studies	Onsite
<b>MONA CAMPUS, JAMAICA</b>		
<b>HUMANITIES &amp; EDUCATION</b>		
Master of Art	Heritage Studies	Onsite
Master of Art	History	Onsite
<b>MEDICAL SCIENCES</b>		
Master of Public Health	Public Health	Onsite
<b>SCIENCE &amp; TECHNOLOGY</b>		
Master of Science	Medical Physics	Onsite
Master of Science	Natural Resource Management – Disaster Risk Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Natural Resource Management – Integrated Urban and Rural Environmental Management	Onsite
Master of Science	Natural Resource Management – Marine and Terrestrial Ecosystem	Onsite
Master of Science	Occupational and Environmental Safety and Health	Onsite
<b>SOCIAL SCIENCES</b>		
Master of Science	Development Studies	Onsite
Master of Science	National Security and Strategic Studies	Onsite
Master of Science	Tourism and Hospitality Management	Onsite