



OAS – Colorado State University 2015 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC)

The Organization of American States (OAS), through the Department of Human Development and Education and Employment (DHDE) and the Colorado State University (CSU), through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in its bachelor’s degree, master’s degree and doctoral degree programs.

PROGRAMS:	CSU Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral Programs	Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise (GSSE) MBA
MODALITY:	Onsite in Colorado, United States	Onsite in Colorado, United States
LANGUAGE:	English	English
DURATION:	Bachelor’s – 4 to 5 years Master’s – 1 to 2 years Doctoral – 5+ years	18 months
DEADLINES:	<p><u>Program admission:</u> Bachelor’s Degree Programs: Fall Semester: June 1, 2016 Spring Semester: November 1, 2016</p> <p>Graduate Degree Programs: Admission deadlines vary. Please visit the graduate school website www.graduateschool.colostate.edu for more details.</p> <p><u>Scholarship application:</u> Fall Semester: June 1, 2016 Spring Semester: November 1, 2016</p>	<p><u>Program admission:</u> January 15th, 2016</p> <p><u>Scholarship application:</u> February 7th, 2016</p>
START DATE	Fall: August 2016 Spring: January 2017	August 22, 2016
END DATE	Varies per program of study. Please see www.colostate.edu , for more information.	December 2017
BENEFITS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One-third of tuition USD \$1,350 one-time subsistence allowance CSU will also waive the application fee for admission. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> US \$50,000 of the tuition and fees. USD \$1,350 one-time subsistence allowance CSU will also waive the application fee for admission.

1. ABOUT 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.

2. ABOUT Colorado State University

Founded in 1870 as the Colorado Agricultural College, Colorado State University is one of the nation's top research universities, offering a world-class education through more than 150 programs of study. Academic programs at CSU are among the best in the nation in quality, innovation and achievement, with internationally known programs in infectious disease, agriculture, cancer research, atmospheric science, sustainability and clean energy, and much more. CSU faculty tackle critical local and global issues, and provide an enriching and rewarding student learning experience that combines intellectual classroom pursuits with hands-on experience in the field and laboratory.

CSU is located at the base of the Rocky Mountains in beautiful Fort Collins, an award winning city of about 150,000. Approximately 25,000 students study on campus, including more than 2,000 international students from 94 countries. In the College of Business, the Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise (GSSE) MBA was founded in 2007.

3. CSU and GSSE Achievements and Initiatives

- The GSSE MBA was ranked 7th in student exposure and 5th among small programs in the Aspen Institute's Beyond Grey Pinstripes "Global 100" ranking of full-time social and environmental MBA programs.
- Net Impact's Business as Unusual report ranked the GSSE MBA as the 5th in "social impact" among over 100 MBA programs.
- Colorado State University received the nation-wide 2013 Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization from NAFSA.
- Ranked #85 in Agricultural Sciences (Best Global Universities for Agricultural Sciences)⁵
- Ranked #19 and #28 in the world in Agricultural and Veterinary Sciences (University Ranking by Academic Performance, 2014-15)
- Ranked #32 in Agriculture and forestry (QS World Rankings 2014)
- "One of the top business schools in the nation." Businessweek, 2014
- Ranked #1 Atmospheric Science Department in the US. (National Research Council)
- Ranked #67 for "Best Engineering Schools" (U.S. News & World Report)

4. Application for Admission Information

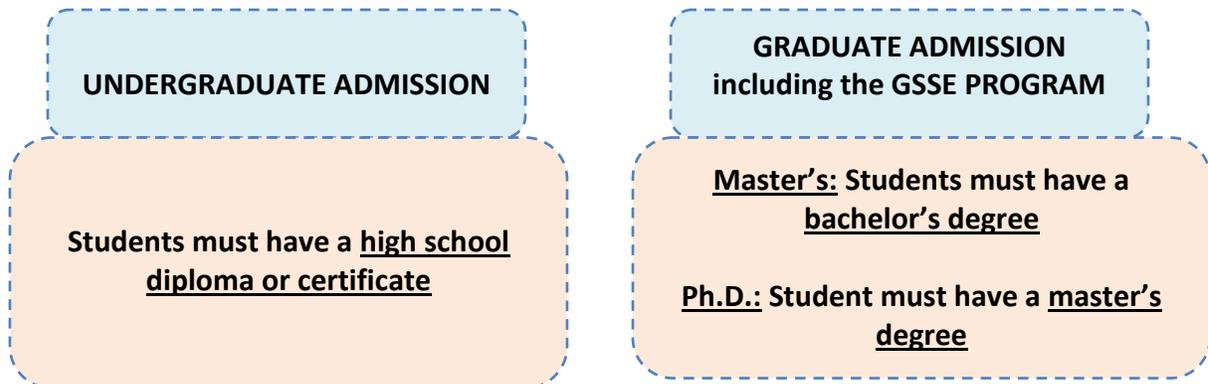
The candidate should begin the admission process to the degree program covered by this scholarship program. For more information on the application for admission process, please go to the CSU's website: <http://www.colostate.edu/>

Student/Applicant's profile

In the **CSU GSSE** program 25-40 students are accepted into this cohort-based approach. Ideal candidates will have at least 2 years of work experience in a related field of international development, poverty alleviation, sustainability, or have demonstrated an entrepreneurial spirit. An undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0 is required. For **all other degree programs**, please visit www.colostate.edu to understand admission requirements unique to each degree.

Admission Process:

Before applying for admission, students are encouraged to read the program description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests.



Application Fee:

CSU will waive the application fee for admission to students applying for an OAS/CSU Scholarship.

University Contact Information:

GSSE Program: Applicants can contact Ms. Shelby Sack at shelby.sack@colostate.edu for more information about the university's admission process and program details.

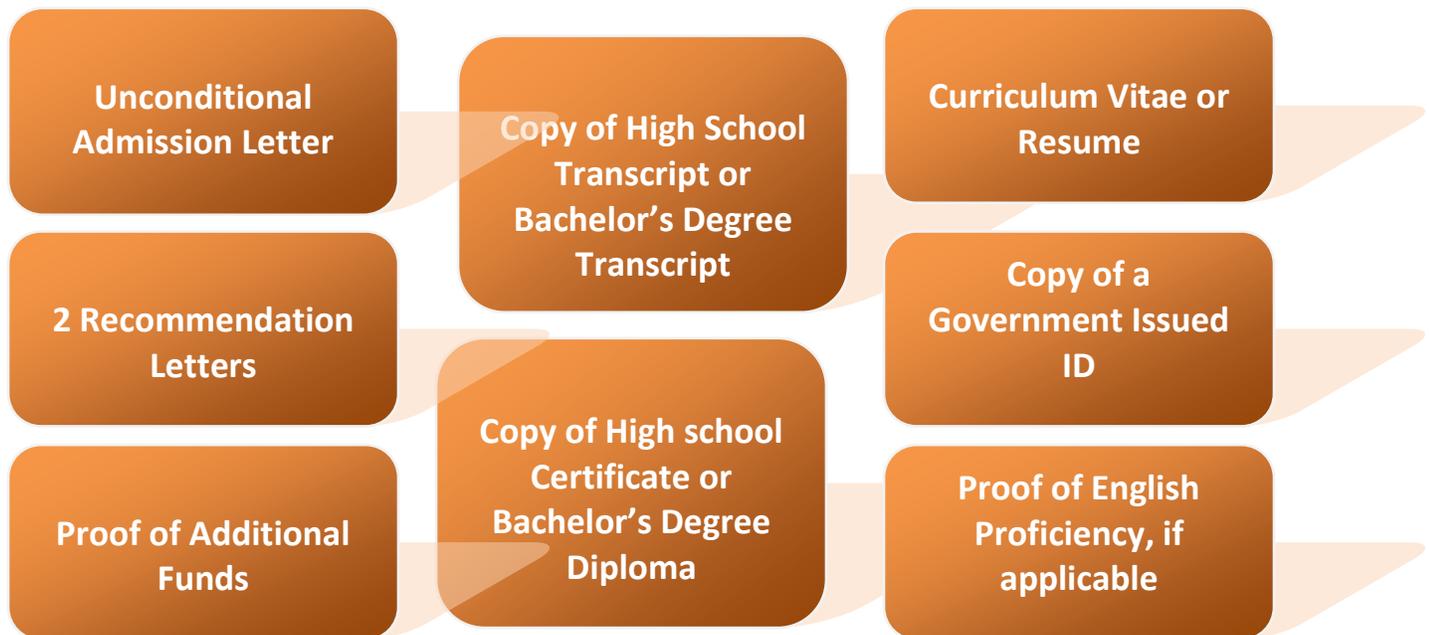
For All Other Undergraduate and Graduate Programs: Applicants can contact Ms. Christy Eylar at christy.eylar@colostate.edu for more information about the university's admission process and program details.

5. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for this scholarship opportunity, you must submit a scholarship application through the OAS Fellowship Management System.

- For the **GSSE Program**, please use this link to access the [scholarship application](#) form.
- For **all other programs**, please use this link to access the [scholarship application](#) form.

You will be required to upload the following documents where indicated in the application form:



Please note the following:

- a) Students whose native language is not **English** will be required to submit **one** of the following as proof of English proficiency:
- An official transcript verifying completion of studies in an English speaking university in the last five years;
 - 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;
 - 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.

- b) Proof that you have **sufficient funds** to cover remaining tuition and fees and other costs not covered by the scholarship by including **one, or a combination**, of the following documents with your scholarship application:
- 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.
- c) One of the **letters of recommendation** should be provided by a university professor and the other should be provided by your 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.

d) You are required to write and include **two essays** in the scholarship application form. The essays should be written in English. Each essay should have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.

<p>Essay 1</p> <p>Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.</p>	<p>Essay 2</p> <p>Explain how you intend to apply the acquired knowledge and experience in the specific field of study that you will pursue to the development of your country or region.</p>
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OAS Contact Information:

For questions about this scholarship opportunity, please contact Ms. Elisa Granadillo at egranadillo@oas.org.

6. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

PROGRAMS:	CSU Bachelor’s, Master’s and Doctoral Programs	Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise (GSSE) MBA
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FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF APPLICANTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining tuition and/or school fees • Immigration fees; • Research expenses; • Study materials; • Living expenses; • Round trip airfare; • Any other costs not mentioned. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining tuition and/or school fees • Immigration fees; • Research expenses; • Study materials; • Living expenses; • Round trip airfare; • Any other costs not mentioned.
COMMENTS	Applicants may also be eligible for larger awards available through individual departments. If applicants receive larger awards, such as full assistantships, the one-third award will not be awarded.	

These above expenses listed as financial responsibility 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 CSU.

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

7. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

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

Provide an unconditional admission Letter to Colorado State University

Submit a complete scholarship application with all supporting documents

Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any [OAS member state](#), except the United States.

Have not received other scholarship from the OAS for the same level of studies and/or program of study as advertised in this announcement

Not be an OAS staff or individual who maintains employment contracts with the OAS or a staff of a Permanent Mission to the OAS or immediate relatives of a staff of a Permanent Mission to the OAS

8. Scholarship Selection Criteria

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

9. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:

- a. The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/CSU Acceptance Form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- b. Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- c. Comply with all the academic guidelines and admission requirements requested by CSU and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at CSU.
- d. Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees"

- e. To retain the scholarship, awardees should not have low academic performance (GPA must be at least equivalent to 3.0/4.0), due to absence from the program and/or course failure.
- f. The scholarship can be declined by the awardee before the start date of the program without financial penalties. However, if s/he declines the scholarship after that date without proof of force majeure, the OAS and CSU may require the awardee to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship at the time in which the declination is processed.
- g. Commitment to return to work in their country of origin or legal residence in one of the OAS member states, or at an international organization, for at least the length of the duration of the scholarship. Failure to comply with this commitment, the GS/OAS and/or the CSU could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

10. CHECKLIST

Before applying for this scholarship, please check that you have:

- Read all sections of this scholarship announcement;**
- Applied for admission to Colorado State University;**
- Prepared the two essays to be included in the scholarship application form;**
- Combined all supporting documents into one PDF file to be uploaded within the scholarship application**

For more information: www.oas.org/scholarships