



## OAS - International Training Center of the International Labor Organization 2017 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

### 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 International Training Center of the International Labor Organization ([ITC-ILO](#)), through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in the ITC-ILO’s Master’s degree program below.

<b>PROGRAMS:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development*</u></li> <li><u>Master in Management of Development</u></li> <li><u>Master in Applied Labor Economics for Development</u></li> </ul>
<b>MODALITY:</b>	Online with an onsite component of 16/18 weeks in Turin, Italy
<b>LANGUAGE:</b>	English
<b>DURATION:</b>	12 months
<b>DEADLINES:</b>	<b>University admission: May 30, 2017</b> <b>Scholarship application: June 15, 2017</b>
<b>START AND END DATE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development: October 16, 2017 – October 12, 2018</li> <li>Master in Management of Development: October 16, 2017 – October 15, 2018</li> <li>Master in Applied Labor Economics: October 23, 2017 – 28 February 2019</li> </ul>
<b>BENEFITS:</b>	The scholarship covers 50% or 4,200 Euros of the total tuition cost and health insurance

**\*IMPORTANT NOTICE:** This scholarship opportunity is also being offered in Spanish (*Maestría en Patrimonio de la Humanidad y Proyectos Culturales para el Desarrollo*) under the same conditions of this announcement. For more information on the PAEC OAS/ITC-ILO scholarship opportunity in Spanish please click [here](#).

### **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 The International Training Center of the International Labor Organization**

The International Labor Organization (ILO) and the Italian Government established the International Training Centre (ITC) in 1964 in Turin, Italy as an advanced vocational training institute. It has since then matured into a focal point for high-level in-service training to develop human resources and institutional capabilities, and achieve the ILO's goal of decent work for women and men.

### **The ITC-ILO is a unique institution offering:**

- o A reservoir of expertise on employment, labor, human resources development and capacity-building.
- o In-depth knowledge of the specific social, economic and cultural conditions of different countries and regions.
- o A world-wide network of partner institutions and resource persons.
- o Close links with the ILO and the whole United Nations system.
- o A strong client orientation, multi-lingual delivery, inter-disciplinary perspective and gender sensitivity.
- o A constant evaluation and fine-tuning of its services
- o Cutting-edge information and communication technology.
- o Modern residential facilities on our campus in Turin, Italy.
- o A favorable location for relevant study visits in the heart of Europe.
- o Advanced training facilities, global scope and multi-cultural learning environment.

## **3. Application for Admission Information (ITC-ILO's Website)**

The candidate should begin the admission process to the degree program before applying for the Scholarship.

### **Student/Applicant's profile**

The programs are intended for officials and/or professionals in the public and private sectors, UN Agencies, foundations and NGO, recent university graduates from developing and developed countries, professionals already involved in cultural projects, or interested in designing and managing cultural development projects, people working or interested in World Heritage sites and related research. The essential requirements for admission (to all the three programs) are a university degree (minimum required three years University Degree) as well as fluency in the English language.

### **Admission Process:**

Before applying for admission, we encourage applicants to read the programs description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests. For more information on the program please visit:

- Master in World heritage and Cultural projects for Development: <http://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/master-in-world-heritage-and-cultural-projects-for-development>

- Master in Management of Development: <http://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/master-in-management-of-development/background>
- Master in Applied Labour Economics for Development: <http://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/msc-in-applied-labour-economics-for-development>

Candidates applying for an OAS scholarship are requested to complete the ITC-ILO on-line application form on the Master's web pages provided in the table on page 1 of this announcement.

Students must possess a bachelor's degree diploma or certificate of completion of degree prior to the day the application is submitted.

For more information on these programs, please visit the website as indicated page 1 of this announcement.

#### **ITC-ILO Contact Information:**

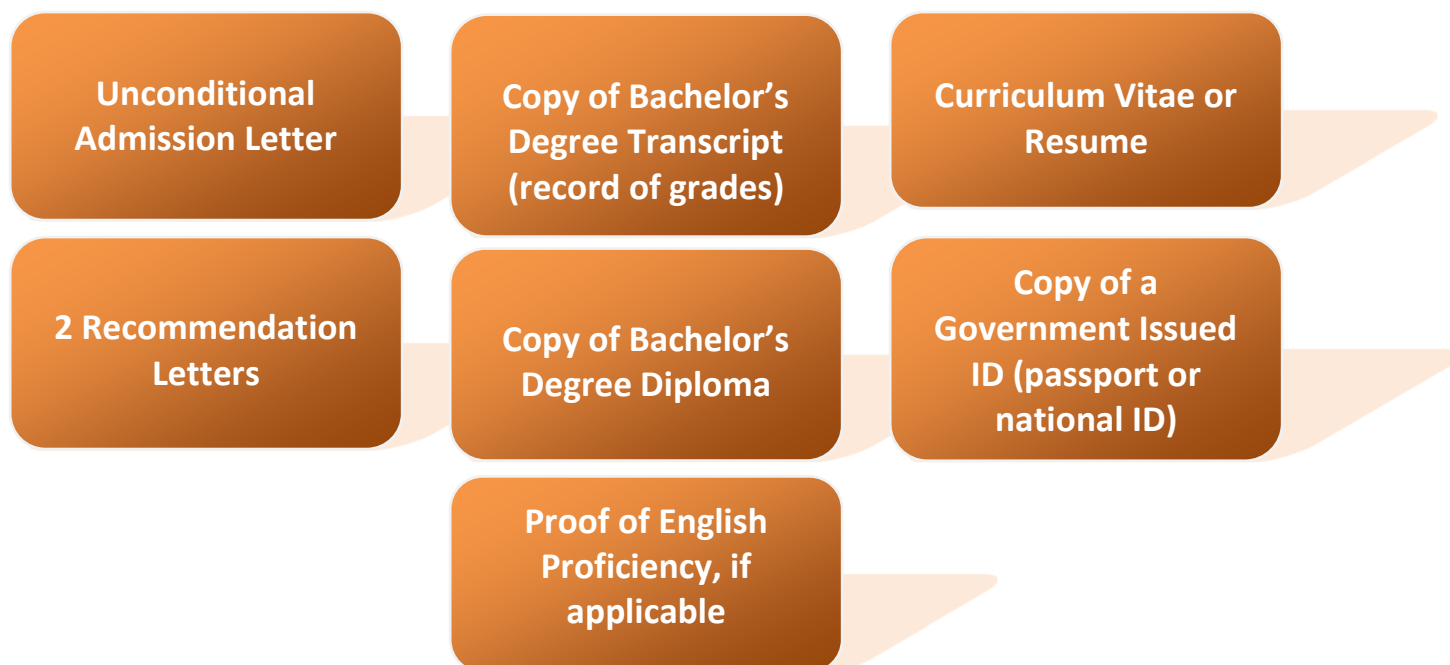
Applicants can contact the secretariat of each Program for more information on the admission process and the Master. The e-mail contacts are:

- Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development: e-mail [worldheritage@itcilo.org](mailto:worldheritage@itcilo.org)
- Master in Management of Development: [mandev@itcilo.org](mailto:mandev@itcilo.org)
- Master in Applied Labour Economics for Development: [maled@itcilo.org](mailto:maled@itcilo.org)

#### **4. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS (OAS' Website)**

To apply for this scholarship opportunity, you must submit a **Scholarship Application online** through the OAS Fellowship Management System.

**You will be required to upload the following documents where indicated in the scholarship online application form. Please note that all supporting documents must first be combined into ONE PDF document before it can be uploaded in the application form. The application system does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded, hence the aforementioned request. Please be guided accordingly.**



**Please note the following:**

- a) All documents must be submitted in English or officially translated to English by a certified translator.
- b) Students whose native language is not **English** will be required to submit **one** of the following documents 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
  - Other standard English proficiency certificates

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

- c) Pre-selected candidates will be asked to provide proof of sufficient funds to cover tuition and fees and other costs mentioned in section 5 below, which is estimated at EUR 2,800 for the Master in Applied Labour Economics, EUR 3,800 for the Master in Management of Development and EUR 4,200 for the Master in World Heritage to cover the cost of remaining tuition and approximately EUR \$ 5000 to cover other costs mentioned.
- d) 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.

**Note:** The recommendation letters provided for admission consideration to the University can be used for scholarship consideration. However, if you choose to provide new recommendation letters directly to the OAS, the letters should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.

- e) 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.

**Essay 1**

Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.

**Essay 2**

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.

**OAS Contact Information:**

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to [scholarships@oas.org](mailto:scholarships@oas.org)

## 5. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

<b>PROGRAMS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <u>Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development*</u></li><li>• <u>Master in Management of Development</u></li><li>• <u>Master in Applied Labor Economics for Development</u></li></ul>
<b>SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS</b>	The scholarship covers 50% or 4,200 Euros of the total tuition cost and health insurance.
<b>FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Remaining tuition of EUR 2,800, EUR 3,800 and EUR 4,200, depending on the Master program selected.</li><li>• Immigration fees; Study materials; Living expenses; Round trip airfare; and any additional costs and fees that are not included in this scholarship. The aforementioned fees is <b>approximately EUR 5,000.</b></li></ul>
<b>COMMENTS</b>	Scholarship benefits are subject to the academic performance of the scholarship recipient. In order to receive these benefits, the scholarship recipient should not be reported with unsatisfactory academic performance.

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 the university.

## 6. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

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

**Provide an unconditional admission Letter to ITC-ILO**

**Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents**

**Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any [OAS member state](#).**

**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**

## **7. 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.
- e) Work experience related to the area of study.
- f) Applicant's financial need.



## **8. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:**

- a) The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/ITC-ILO 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 ITC-ILO and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at ITC-ILO.
- d) Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of scholarship recipients."
- e) To retain the scholarship, scholarship recipients 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 scholarship recipient 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 ITC-ILO may require the scholarship recipient 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 sponsoring country 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 ITC-ILO could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.
- h) To validate the diploma obtained in Italy, the scholarship recipient will need to seek information within his/her own Ministry of Education. The OAS and the Institution take no responsibility regarding the validity of the degree in the scholarship recipient's sponsoring country.

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

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

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