OAS – eCornell
2017 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC)

The Organization of American States (OAS), through the Department of Human DevelopmentEducation, and Employment (DHDEE) and the eCornell, through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in the following certificate programs below.

PROGRAMS:	Change Leadership Financial Management Executive Leadership for Healthcare Professionals Measuring and Improving Business Performance Hospitality Management Strategic Human Resources Leadership Marketing Strategy
MODALITY:	Online, United States
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	3 months
DEADLINES:	**Scholarship application:** July 3rd 2017
START DATE	August 2017
END DATE	November 2017
BENEFITS:	66.7 % of the tuition fee

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 eCornell

As Cornell University's online learning subsidiary, eCornell provides many of the world's leading organizations with online professional development programs in the areas of finance, healthcare, hospitality, human resources, leadership, management, and marketing. eCornell's proven course development model and asynchronous instructor-led course delivery provide students with a flexible, engaging, and immediately applicable learning experience crafted by Cornell University faculty. eCornell has delivered online courses to over 90,000 students in more than 200 countries. For more information, visit www.eCornell.com.

3. APPLICATION FOR THE UNIVERSITY'S ADMISSION INFORMATION

Candidates must first apply for the OAS-eCornell Scholarship through the OAS Scholarship website. The selected candidates will then be informed to register for the selected certificate Program on eCornell's website.

Student/Applicant's profile:

Detailed information about the certificate programs are available through the links provided in the table on page 1.

University Contact Information:
Please contact Ms. Lisa Hatfield at lhatfield@ecornell.com for more specific questions and additional information about the certificates.

4. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

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

You are required to upload the following documents where indicated in the 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.

1 Recommendation Letter	**Copy of Undergraduate's Degree Transcript (record of grades)**	**Curriculum Vitae or Resume**
Proof of Additional Funds	**Proof of English Proficiency, if applicable**	**Copy of a Government Issued ID**

Please note the following:

a) All documents must be in English or official translated to English

b) Students whose native language is not **English** will be required to submit **one** of the following as proof of English proficiency:

- A copy of 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; OR
- IELTS 6.5, or the equivalent
- The date stated on the TOEFL or IELTS certificate must be within two years of your proposed program start date

c) **Proof of sufficient funds** (estimated at USD $1,200)to cover remaining tuition and fees and other costs not covered by this 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 your monthly or yearly salary;
- a letter showing a student loan or additional scholarship(s), grants, financial aid.

d) **One letter of recommendation**: one letter from a university professor or 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.

> 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) **Essays:** 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	**Essay 2**
Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.	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

5. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

PROGRAMS:	Change Leadership Financial Management Executive Leadership for Healthcare Professionals Measuring and Improving Business Performance Hospitality Management Strategic Human Resources Leadership Marketing Strategy
SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS	66.7% of the tuition fees.
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF APPLICANTS	In addition to the remaining cost of tuition fees, the scholarship recipients will also be responsible for books and study materials and any other costs not covered by the scholarship.
COMMENTS	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 a low academic performance due to absences or failing courses.

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 eCornell.

6. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

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

> **Submit a complete scholarship online application with all the required 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 or from the eCornell for the same level of studies and/or programs 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.

8. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:

a) This scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an eCornell 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 eCornell and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at eCornell.

d) Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees."

e) The scholarship can be declined by the awardee before the start date of the certificate programs without financial penalties. However, if s/he declines the scholarship after that date without proof of force majeure, the OAS and eCornell 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.

f) Commitment to return to work in their sponsoring country or permanent 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 eCornell could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

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