









STEPS FOR APPLYING TO THE CONACYT-OAS-AMEXCID SCHOLARSHIPS

FOR GRADUATE STUDIES IN MEXICO IN THE AREAS OF SCIENCE AND ENGENEERING

Cooperation for the development of scientific and technological capabilities in the Americas

The Organization of American States (<u>OAS</u>), the National Council of Science and Technology of Mexico (<u>CONACYT</u>), and the Mexican Agency for International Development and Cooperation (<u>AMEXCID</u>), with the support of the Pan-American Health Organization (<u>PAHO</u>), under the Partnership Program for Education and Training (<u>http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/</u>PAEC) are proud to announce the call for applications for scholarships by the 2017 CONACYT-OAS-AMEXCID scholarships.

For scholarships and one-time grants for graduate programs offered on-site in Mexico, in the areas of engineering and science, for citizens of the OAS member states, with the exception of Mexico¹

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS:

ON BEHALF OF CONACYT	ON BEHALF OF OAS-AMEXCID
✓ Financial monthly stipend towards living expenses and basic medical insurance while in Mexico.	✓ A one-time grant of \$1,200 USD (United States dollars).
✓ Possibility of including a study abroad component as part of the scholar's program, in institutions outside of Mexico, receiving a complementary stipend for living expenses, health insurance, and transportation, including the scholar's country of origin in an OAS member state.	✓ Possibility of obtaining total or partial tuition discounts in Mexican universities that are part of the OAS Consortium of Universities, which offer the study programs participating in this announcement.

ELEGIBILITY

Citizens and/or permanent residents of one of the <u>OAS member states</u>, with the exception of Mexico, that have already been accepted to the on-site graduate program of a Mexican institution registered at the <u>Programa Nacional de Posgrados de Calidad (PNPC)</u>, in the areas of study included in this announcement.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY IN ENGLISH

As part of the eligible programs in the area of **engineering and science** there are some programs that can also be conducted in English. CONACYT provides the following list of these programs: <u>List of English Programs</u>.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Step 1 Enrollment in the graduate program (PNPC) of the Mexican Higher Education Institution and Research Center (IES-CII)

To apply for the CONACYT-OAS-AMEXCID scholarship, it is necessary to first be admitted to any of the on-site

¹ The Scholarship Program CONACYT –OAS-AMEXCID is not available to Mexican nationals or permanent residents as one of the purposes of the program is to promote the regional integration through the internationalization of students in highly prestigious educational institutions in Mexico.











graduate programs, in the fields of engineering and science, that are part of the <u>Programa Nacional de Posgrados de Calidad (PNPC)</u>.

Applicants need to carefully review the PNPC to identify the program of their interest and make sure that it is part of the CONACYT-OEA-AMEXCID 2017 Scholarship Announcement.

It is the responsibility of future applicants to contact the IES-CII that offers the graduate program of their interest, and find out the requirements and deadlines for admission. Before doing so, we recommend that applicants read the full description of the program, to ensure that the study area corresponds to their professional and academic expectations, and that the area of study is one of the following:

- Physics, Math and Earth Sciences
- Biology and Chemistry
- Engineering
- Biotechnology and Agronomy Science
- Medical and Health Science
- In the medical and health science area of study, the medical specialty and subspecialty are not eligible in this program

Applicants must submit all documentation and follow the admission process required by the **IES-CII**. Once the future student is admitted to the program, the **IES-CII** program coordinator will issue an admission letter.

STEP 2 Trip to México

The applicant then processes the temporary student visa and travels to Mexico for the enrollment in the IES-CII and initiates the program of study. If it is required, the applicant may obtain support from the IES and CONACYT in order to obtain the temporary student visa.

STEP 3 CONACYT Application process

For the scholarship announcement of CONACYT-OAS-AMEXCID, the Coordinator of the program will nominate the candidate to receive the benefits of CONACYT as part of the CONACYT National Scholarship, to which all students are eligible, once they are admitted to the program.

Students must meet all the requirements and are responsible for delivering all the documentation required to the academic program coordinator. Subsequently, the (IES-CII) program coordinator will validate the scholarship application directly with CONACYT. CONACYT or the OAS will not receive applications directly from students.

The scholarship application must follow the CONACYT <u>Calendar of 2017</u> and the timeline described in the CONACYT-OEA-AMEXCID scholarship announcement.

CONACYT will validate the applications and assigns CONACYT benefits to the student (monthly subsistence allowance and medical insurance).

The scholar must comply with the student responsibilities stated in section 11 of the CONACYT-OAS-AMEXCID scholarship announcement.











STEP 4

Application to the OAS and CONACYT

During the last week of May 2017, CONACYT will send the OAS and AMEXCID a list of students that are citizens of the OAS <u>member states</u> and that have applied to the program <u>Becas Nacionales CONACYT</u> and the necessary information for the selection process conducted by the OAS and AMEXCID for the assignment of the one-time grant.

STEP 5 Selection of CONACYT-OEA-AMEXCID Scholars

The selection process for allocating the one-time grant of US\$1,200 (one thousand two hundred United States dollars) will be conducted by a specialized committee, constituted for this purpose by the OAS. Among the aspects taken into consideration for the selection of scholars are the following:

- Geographic distribution, based on applicant's country of origin
- Human development index
- Level of study (PhD's over Master's and Master's over Specialty)
- Gender diversity
- Geographic distribution among the receiving institution in Mexico
- Ranking of the student, provided by the university
- Grades

After the evaluation, the selected scholars will receive the one-time grant of US\$1,200 (one thousand two hundred United States dollars) from OAS or the AMEXCID, indicated in section 7 of the CONACYT-OAS-AMEXCID scholarship announcement.

The OAS, CONACYT, and AMEXCID will announce the results on their respective webpages after June 2017 and November 2017. The institutions will contact the benefited students directly, in order to process the deposit of the one-time grant.

Please find the step by step diagram of the process of application for the CONACYT-OEA-AMEXCID scholarship on the following page.

For more information please send an e-mail to becasmexico@oas.org











STEP BY STEP DIAGRAM OF THE PROCESS OF APPLICATION FOR THE CONACYT-OEA-AMEXCID SCHOLARSHIP

