**OAS – GALILEE INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE – ISRAEL 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 Galilee International Management Institute – Israel (GIMI), 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 courses:

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<td><strong>22 March - 4 April, 2017</strong></td>
<td>Onsite in Nahalal, Israel</td>
<td>English</td>
<td>2-3 weeks. See dates above.</td>
<td>Application for scholarship through the OAS:</td>
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<td>5. Managing University Libraries for Online Education</td>
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<td>6. Management of Higher Education Institutes</td>
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<td>7. Contemporary Public Administration Management</td>
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<td><strong>31 August - 13 September, 2017</strong></td>
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START DATE

Dates vary per course. Please see dates above.

END DATE

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1. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

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

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

- **Proof of Additional Funds**
- **Copy of Bachelor’s Degree Transcript (Record of Grades)**
- **Curriculum Vitae or Resume**
- **Copy of Bachelor’s Degree Diploma**
- **Copy of a Government Issued ID (Passport or National ID card)**
- **1 Recommendation Letter**
- **Proof of English Proficiency, if applicable**
- **Response to Essay Questions**

**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:
   - 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.
   - Other standard English proficiency certificates

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c) Proof that you have **sufficient funds** to cover cost of living expenses in the country of study 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.

d) One letter of recommendation: one letter from a university professor or 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.
   a. The recommendation letter should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.

e) You are required to respond to the following essay question. The essay should be written in English and have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.

   **Essay Question**
   Describe how participating in this course will enhance your professional skills, and directly impact your institution, community and country.

**OAS Contact Information:**
For questions about this scholarship opportunity, please contact Ms. Jennifer Hoogdorp at jhoogdorp@oas.org.

**2. Course Registration at the GiMI**

The candidate should first apply for scholarship consideration. Eligible candidates will be asked to register for the selected course at the GiMI after the scholarship offer is accepted.

**Galilee Contact Information:**
Applicants can contact the GiMI International Department at info@galilcol.ac.il or visit the GiMI’s website at www.galilcol.ac.il for more information about the courses.

**3. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

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<td>Immigration and visa fees, if applicable;</td>
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| COMMENTS | 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 any other costs as needed to the GiMI. |
OAS Contact Information:
Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to scholarships@oas.org

4. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:
To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, an applicant must:

- Applicants must have obtained a bachelor’s degree and have at least five (5) years of managerial experience related to the course selected to meet the admission requirement of the GIMI.
- 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.

5. OAS 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 sponsoring countries; and

D. Gender diversity.
6. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:
   a. This scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed a scholarship 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 the GIMI and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at the GIMI.
   d. Comply with the provisions indicated in the “Financial responsibilities of scholarship recipients”
   e. 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 the GIMI 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 GIMI could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

7. ABOUT the General Secretariat of the Organization Of American States

GS/OAS is the central and permanent organ of the OAS. Through its 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.

8. About Galilee International Management Institute

The GIMI develops advanced capacity building courses for professional personnel from all over the world. Since its establishment in Israel in 1987, the GIMI has received a global reputation as a leading management institute.

The GIMI was founded on the belief that all countries can advance its economies by investing in the human element - in the knowledge as well as the innovative, daring thinking of the people working in each sector of society. This belief followed as the GIMI witnessed the rapid economic and infrastructural development of
Israel in less than seventy years since its establishment, despite the lack of natural resources. Social emphasis on education and initiative has proven to be a powerful engine of progress.

To date more than 16,000 senior managers, administrators and planners, from over 170 countries, have graduated from the GIMI’s programs. As the GIMI is actively concerned with sustainable progress, the GIMI’s senior management keeps in touch with its graduates, fostering cooperation and knowledge sharing, years after of participation in the GIMI courses. In turn, the GIMI’s valued alumni provide feedback that enables GIMI to continue improving and making its programs the most relevant from year to year.

9. **Galilee Achievements and Initiatives**

Taking advantage of the position of Israel as an innovative world leader in various fields, based on knowledge development and investment in education, GIMI has a team of experts that deliver comprehensive and varied programs. In addition to its annual offerings, GIMI has long-term training agreements with many countries, including China, Kenya and Nigeria, by granting tuition scholarships. This is in line with GIMI’s mission to increase its commitment to share the Israeli know-how in an effort to improve sustainable development. The GIMI is proud that its graduates attribute much of their success from attending GIMI programs. Among its Alumni are Government Ministers, University Vice Chancellors, State Governors and high ranking officials, both Governmental and from the NGO sector.

Pertinent to its belief that everyone benefits by co-existence, despite the current political climate GIMI constantly works with and welcomes participants from Jordan, Egypt, Indonesia, Afghanistan and key Palestinian organizations to deliver capacity building programs to advance development. The GIMI views this pro-active investment, especially in regional cooperation, as key in the path to peace. The GIMI also participates in many projects that promote Israeli-Palestinian endeavors towards co-existence.

**APPLY NOW!**

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