2019 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS OF OAS MEMBER STATES



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE GENERAL SECRETARIAT
OF THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, THE
PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION/WORLD
HEALTH ORGANIZATION, AND THE GALILEE
INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE – ISRAEL

SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

COURSES, START DATES, AND LANGUAGE	 Health Systems Management in English (6-19 November) National Security and Diplomacy in English (5-16 December) Crisis and Mass Disaster Management in English (5-16 December) The information on the courses being offered in Spanish and French are accessible on the OAS website in the respective languages.
APPLICATION DEADLINE	• September 30 th , 2019
MODALITY AND LOCATION	Onsite in Nahalal, Israel
SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS:	 100% of tuition, including study materials; A stipend of USD \$1,500 - 2,500 to the top-ranked selected candidates to assist with the local expense fee in Israel.

COURSE REGISTRATION AT GIMI

Candidates should first apply for scholarship consideration through the OAS. Eligible candidates will be asked to register for the selected course at GIMI after the scholarship offer is accepted. 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.

Gather Supporting Documents and Apply online

To be awarded the scholarship, all OAS applicants will be asked to fill out the OAS online scholarship application, accessible in the link below, and attach **ALL** required supporting documentation listed below:

- **1. One (1) recommendation letter**: 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.
 - a. The recommendation letter should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.
- 2. Curriculum vitae or resume
- **3. Response to essay question**: 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.
 - a. Essay Question: Describe how participating in this course will enhance your professional skills, and directly impact institution, community and country
- **4.** Copy of a government issued ID (passport or national ID Card)

Click Here for the Online Scholarship Application Form

Please note the following:

> ALL the required documents must be combined into one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB). If the file is larger than 5MB, you will be unable to summit the online form. The application system

does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded. Do not include any additional documents besides those indicated.

> ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED

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EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP

Expenses not covered by the scholarship, and which are the sole responsibility of the scholarship recipients, are:

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

- ⊗ Round trip air fare;
- ⊗ Local expenses, which is estimated at \$900 1,900 for double occupancy (single occupancy is available for an additional fee of USD 2,100 3,100), and cover accommodation full board and refreshments, transport from and to the airport, as well as for study tours and Holy Land excursions; social coordinators on site, computer and Internet facilities, medical insurance, registration fee; visa and immigration charges (if applicable); and
- ⊗ Any additional costs that are not included in the OAS-PAHO-GIMI Scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY

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

- > Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents online.
- > Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any OAS and PAHO member state.
 - Applicants from Argentina must fill out a required form through the following link; <u>http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/PAEC/2018/NOTA-SOLICITUD-DGCIN-2017.doc</u> and send it to the <u>National Liaison Office</u> (ONE) in Argentina.

The following applicants are ineligible:

- ⊗ Current OAS and PAHO/WHO scholarship/fellowship holders
- ⊗ GS/OAS and PAHO/WHO staff and their immediate relatives or GS/OAS and PAHO/WHO consultants
- ⊗ OAS Permanent officials and their immediate relatives

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA

- ✓ The academic merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic background and professional experience or related areas of study;
- ✓ Geographical distribution of the applicants, taking into account the greater needs of the smaller and relatively less developed economies;
- ✓ Applicants whose essays portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin; and
- ✓ Gender diversity.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS

Selection The PAHO/WHO, GIMI and the OAS will select the scholarship awardees, based on the criteria previously listed. The names of the scholarship awardees will be

published in October 2019 on the OAS scholarship website,

www.oas.org/scholarships.

Notification The OAS will contact selected candidates only by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for the scholarship acceptance. Applicants who are not selected

candidates will not be contacted.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

- ✓ The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an acceptance Form, in which awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- ✓ Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient or PAHO/WHO Fellow, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- ✓ Comply with all the academic guidelines and admission requirements requested by GIMI and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at GIMI.
- ✓ Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees."
- ✓ 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, PAHO/WHO and 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.
- ✓ Commitment to return to work in their sponsoring country or legal residence in one of the OAS and PAHO member states, or at an international organization, for at least six months. Failure to comply with this commitment, the GS/OAS and/or the GIMI could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

VABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

The OAS General Secretariat (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.

The Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) is the specialized international health agency for the Americas, working with countries throughout the region to improve and protect people's health. PAHO/WHO engages in technical cooperation with its member countries to fight communicable and non-communicable diseases and their causes, to strengthen health systems, and to respond to emergencies and disasters. PAHO/WHO is committed to ensuring that all people have access to the health care they need, when they need it, with quality and without fear of falling into poverty. Through its Human Resources for Health Unit, Health Systems and Services Department, the Training and Fellowships (T&F) team collaborates with Ministries of Health and partner organizations to support human resource capacity programs that prepare a skilled, capable health workforce able to respond to countries' public health needs and their efforts in working towards universal health.

The Galilee International Management Institute – Israel (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 18,000 senior managers, administrators and planners, from over 170 countries, have graduated from the GIMI's programs. As GIMI is actively concerned with sustainable progress, its senior management keeps in touch with graduates, fostering cooperation and knowledge sharing, years after of participation in the GIMI courses. In turn, GIMI's valued alumni provide feedback that enables GIMI to continue improving and making its programs the most relevant from year to year.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Ouestions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to scholarships@oas.org





