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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA IN DAVIS  
International Law Programs

**PROMOTING INNOVATION: LICENSING ACADEMY IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND  
TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER<sup>1</sup>**

Professional Development Scholarship Program (PDSP)

**Participant profile**

Education and Experience: University degree in law, international affairs, engineering, life sciences, or economics.

Participants must have responsibilities in public, private, academia on tech transfer, intellectual property, agriculture, life sciences, international trade and innovation, with at least two (2) years of professional experience.

<b>Dates of the course:</b> June 19-30, 2017
<b>Modality:</b> Onsite
<b>Duration of the course:</b> Twelve (12) days
<b>Language of instruction:</b> English
<b>Benefits of the scholarship:</b> Round trip economy class airline tickets from country of origin or residence to place of study, up to US\$1,350.00. <i>Funds for terminal and in-transit expenses will NOT be provided.</i>  Scholarships recipients will be responsible for all other expenses, including tuition (US\$3,230.00), accommodation (US\$1,005.00 in shared-room with breakfast included for the duration of the program), airport transfers, meals not provided during the program and incidentals. It is also to note that participants will be asked to provide a proof of insurance valid in the United States for medical emergencies.  Based on need, country of origin and availability of funds, offering institutions could provide partial tuition waivers in addition to roundtrip airfare.
<b>Deadline to Apply:</b> Please contact the <a href="#">ONE</a> in your country

1. The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States ("GS/OAS") reserves the right to cancel this scholarship announcement at any time. Moreover, the GS/OAS and personnel are not liable for any actions taken in reliance on or otherwise based upon information in this announcement.

**Certification:**

Upon completing the two-week program, all participants will receive a certificate of attendance. Participants who wish to take the course for credit can request an official transcript upon successful completion of course requirements and a final exam.

**Objective:**

The objective of the course is to provide participants with the fundamentals on how to protect and manage intellectual property to support technology commercialization in the public sector or among small to medium size enterprises.

**Benefits of the course:**

The Licensing Academy offers multiple potential benefits to its participants, including:

- Increased knowledge of the ways that IP management can help bring innovations to market;
- An expanded international professional network;
- Opportunities for hands-on instruction from professionals with multidisciplinary expertise in law, science and business;
- Improved capability to link published research inventions with entrepreneurs in the private sector
- Creation of an entrepreneurial culture within the public institutions;
- Knowledge about how to approach research with commercialization as the end goal.

**Course content:**

The Program will focus on U.S. and international IP protection, IP management for commercialization, licensing, IP issues in negotiating an international agreement, institutional IP Policies, managing IP and technology transfer offices, start-ups and spin-offs from public sector institutions.

**Teaching methodology:**

The course alternates lectures and hands-on activities.

Lecturers of the Program include world-renowned faculty from the University of California in Davis and UC Berkeley Schools of Law and Business, attorneys and business experts from major U.S. law firms based in the Silicon Valley and Sacramento areas, IP attorneys from the USPTO and WIPO, and experienced personnel from the UC Davis Technology Transfer Office (InnovationAccess).

The course represents an ideal capacity-building experience for international lawyers, technology managers, and scientific professionals in the public sector or in small to medium-sized enterprises interested in learning about and understanding successful models of U.S. intellectual property management.

**Institution offering the course:**

University of California in Davis. International Law Programs,  
400 Mrak Hall Drive, Davis, California, 95618-4852, USA.

Tel. (530) 752-6081.

Web page: <http://www.law.ucdavis.edu/prospective/international-program/licensing-academy.html>



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## Eligibility Requirement

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of an [OAS Member State](#), with the exception of the United States of America since it is the host country (Permanent residents must send a copy of their visa).
- Have obtained a university degree by the time of applying for the Scholarship.
- Be in good physical and mental health to complete the program successfully.
- The [ONEs](#) in the [Member States](#) may have **additional eligibility requirements**. Please contact your country's [ONE](#) for more information.

## Required Documents

- [Online application](#)
- Copy of the university degree requested above.
- Copies of **transcripts of grades** for **all** academic degrees completed and to be completed.
- **Two (2) recommendation letters** using the OAS [Recommendation Statement Form](#). **Recommendation letters from relatives will not be accepted.**

\* Participants should ask their employer to complete the *Recommendation Form* indicating that the candidate's application is supported by a public, private or academic institution, that the candidate is qualified to undertake a high-level training program in the English language, and that they support and are committed for the candidate to return and apply the knowledge acquired during the program;

- **Curriculum Vitae** \* [a maximum of four (4) pages]
- Copy of a government issued identification document from the applicant's country of origin.

**Preference in attributing the scholarships will be given to those candidates from smaller economies.**



## **Application Process**

1. SCAN **all required documents** [see above] into one single PDF file, no larger than 5MB, making sure that all documents are legible.
2. Complete the [Online Application](#), and upload the PDF file to your online application.
3. After submitting the online application, you will receive a confirmation email which contains your application in PDF format. Print the application and attach the required documents, and submit them to your ONE.

\* If you do not receive the confirmation email, after submitting your online application, please send an email to: [pdsp@oas.org](mailto:pdsp@oas.org)

**NOTE:** The OAS will download applications directly from its database. Please make sure to upload all required documents.

**Incomplete applications will be deemed ineligible.**

The ONE will make an initial pre-selection of candidates. Applicants should make sure that the corresponding ONE physically receives all the required documents requested by both the OAS and ONE.

### **Responsibilities of the scholarships recipients:**

- In order to become scholarship recipients, the selected candidates must confirm their acceptance of the scholarship by signing and returning to the OAS Department of Human Development and Education, their completed "Form of acceptance of the scholarship award" no later than May 5, 2017;
- Scholarships recipients will be responsible for all other expenses related to their enrollment and participation in the course, including tuition of US\$3,230.00. In some cases, partial tuition waiver may be offered in addition to the roundtrip airfare.
- Scholarships recipients will also be responsible to make their reservations and cover the price of the hotel for the duration of the course. The course organizers have secured rooms at local hotels, including the Hallmark Inn in Davis. Prices start at US\$1,005.00 for the entire course, based on double occupancy. Single occupancy is priced at US\$1,865.00. These rates include all taxes and complimentary breakfast for 13 nights.
- Students attending the Licensing Academy are required to have health insurance valid in the United States. You may show proof of health insurance, or purchase health insurance during the course registration at a cost of US\$80.00 for two (2) weeks per adult.
- If after accepting the scholarship, the scholarship recipient for whatever reason cannot attend the course, he or she must immediately notify the OAS Department of Human Development and Education;
- Scholarship recipients must communicate in writing to the OAS Department of Human Development and Education on which dates they will be able to travel no later than May 5, 2017, so that the OAS can make the necessary travel arrangements;
- Scholarship recipients are responsible for obtaining the necessary visa(s) to enter the country of



study – in this case, the United States of America – and the corresponding transit(s). The OAS will not be responsible for any costs related to obtaining visas or transfer documentation;

- Each scholarship recipient is responsible for arriving on time for the commencement of activities on the date established by the institution offering the course or program;
- If the scholarship recipient declines the scholarship after the ticket has been purchased without written authorization from the OAS Department of Human Development and Education or fails to travel on the scheduled dates or changes routes, the scholarship recipient will be responsible for paying the cost of the airfare as well as additional cost incurred;
- If the scholarship recipient fails to travel on the scheduled dates or change routes, after the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) has purchased his/her travel ticket, he/she will be responsible for paying the difference in ticket costs in order to arrive at the course site on time;

### Contact Information

Any questions or inquiries related to the course should be directed to:

Ms. Aryanne Quintal  
OAS Department of Economic Development  
[aquintal@oas.org](mailto:aquintal@oas.org)

Questions or inquiries related to the scholarship process should be directed to:

Lucrecia Zea-Yonker  
Professional Development Scholarship Program  
[pdsp@oas.org](mailto:pdsp@oas.org)

### **IMPORTANT**

If you were awarded an OAS Professional Development Scholarship in the past twelve (12) months or if you currently hold an OAS Scholarship for Academic Studies, you are NOT eligible to apply for another OAS Professional Development Scholarship.