OAS Regular Program for Academic Scholarships (Graduate)

The announcement is closed: **Results will be announced at the end of November, 2012**

**OAS SCHOLARSHIPS ANNOUNCEMENT FOR GRADUATE STUDIES OR GRADUATE RESEARCH - 2013-2014 (To begin studies between January 2013 and March 2014)**

The Organization of American States (OAS) is now receiving applications for the Regular Academic Scholarship Program. With the aim of supporting the efforts of OAS Member States in the development of human resources as a means to achieving the objectives of the [OAS Strategic Plan for Integral Development](#), the OAS provides valuable study opportunities to students and by granting scholarships for the pursuit of graduate studies and research that are related to the eight (8) priority areas contemplated in the plan.

**Deadline for application:** All applications must be submitted through the [National Liaison Office (ONE)](#). Please contact the ONE in your country to find out about deadlines to apply and additional eligibility requirements.

### INFORMACIÓN IMPORTANTE

- OAS Academic Scholarships are awarded for full-time studies at a university or higher learning educational institution in an [OAS Member State](#) with the exception of the applicant’s sponsoring country.

- OAS Academic Scholarships are awarded to undertake **graduate studies** (Master’s or Doctorate degree) and/or graduate research that lead to a degree at a university in an OAS Member State. Studies may be carried out on-site, online, or a combination of both.

- OAS Academic Scholarships are awarded for a maximum of two academic years.

- Applicants must agree to return to reside in the sponsoring country for a period of no less than twenty-four (24) months after completing the program of study covered by the OAS scholarship.

- Current OAS staff members, OAS consultants, staff members of the Permanent Missions to the OAS, and their relatives are not eligible for OAS academic scholarships.

- The OAS does not award scholarships for studies in the [Medical Sciences](#) and the learning of new languages.

- Incomplete application packages will not be considered.
What types of academic scholarships does the OAS offer (Graduate)

1. **Self-Placed**: Candidates apply directly for admission to the universities or educational institutions of their choice.
   
   Note: The OAS usually grants one (1) Self-placed scholarship per country.

2. **OAS-Placed**: The OAS seeks placement for those candidates selected for scholarships to universities or higher learning institutions within the [OAS Consortium of Universities](#). Applying for a program within the Consortium increases applicant’s chances of being offered a scholarship. (See additional documents and eligibility requirements at the end of this page)

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**BENEFITS**

OAS Academic Scholarships have a monetary cap up to US $30,000 per academic year, which include all the benefits detailed below. These scholarships are complimentary, which means they do not intend to cover 100% of the grantee’s expenses. Not all scholarships include the same benefits; these are allocated on a case by case basis.

- Roundtrip airfare
- Tuition and mandatory fees
- Yearly books allowance (US $300 for on-site studies or US $1,000 for online studies)
- Health insurance (for on-site students only)
- Monthly subsistence allowance (for on-site students only, monthly subsistence allowance covers an average of 60% of a student’s expenses)
- Research materials (only for research scholarships leading to a masters or doctorate degree)

Note: OAS scholarships do not include benefits for the student’s dependents.
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<td>▪ Be a citizen or permanent resident from any <strong>OAS Member State</strong></td>
<td>▪ Online Application</td>
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<td>▪ Have obtained a university degree by the time of applying for a scholarship</td>
<td>▪ Copy of the diploma of the highest degree obtained</td>
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<td>▪ Have an above average GPA</td>
<td>▪ Copy of transcripts for all degrees completed (For those candidates already enrolled in a program, latest transcripts from the current program of study)</td>
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<td>▪ Be in good physical and mental health to successfully complete the program of study</td>
<td>▪ Three (3) recommendation letters: Preferably 2 from professors, using the <strong>OAS Recommendation Form</strong>, and 1 from the employer (if employed), using the <strong>Employer Recommendation Form</strong>. Do not send recommendations from family members.</td>
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<td>▪ Resume (Please do not include diplomas from attended conferences, workshops, etc. Do not send photographs)</td>
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<td>▪ Admission letter, if available (only for <strong>Self Placed Candidates</strong>)</td>
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**OAS Placed Candidates:** Please see additional required documents at the bottom of the page according to your sponsoring country and the possible countries of study.

* **Awardees granted with an OAS-placed scholarship,** will be required to submit original documents and notarized/stamped copies of the diploma for placement purposes*
Only for OAS Placed Candidates:

Please click according to your sponsoring country, in order to see additional eligibility requirements, and mandatory documentation to apply for an OAS scholarship.

Spanish-Speaking Applicants

French Speaking Applicants (Canada and Haiti)

English-Speaking Applicants (Canada and Caribbean)

Applicants from the United States

Brazilian Applicants

Surinamese Applicants

APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Scan in black and white with medium resolution all documents in one PDF file (No bigger than 8MB)

2. Attach the PDF to your online application

3. Submit the online application. You will automatically receive a confirmation email and the PDF version of the application

4. Print the application, attach the requested documents and present them in your country’s ONE

- FAQs
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For specific questions regarding this program please email: scholarships@oas.org