

OAS-KDI SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

2018 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Application deadline: **October 6, 2017**

The [Organization of American States](#) (OAS), through the Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE) and [KDI School of Public Policy and Management](#), through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering up to **four (4)** scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas, to participate in Graduate Programs at KDI in the Republic of South Korea.

Applicants may apply for one program only

PROGRAMS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Public Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master of Public Policy • Master of Development Policy
MODALITY:	Onsite in South Korea	Onsite in South Korea
LANGUAGE:	English	English
DURATION:	1 year	1 year
START DATE:	February 2018	February 2018
BENEFITS*:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full tuition waiver • Monthly stipend between \$833 USD and \$1,000 USD/month 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full tuition waiver • Monthly stipend between \$833 USD and \$1,000 USD/month

**Important note: this OAS KDI Scholarship Program only offers the benefits described in this announcement. Take note that the round-trip face is not included in this call.*

CALENDAR:	OAS scholarship online application deadline	October 6, 2017
	Publication of awardees:	December 2017
	Classes begin in South Korea:	February, 2018

▼ ABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

The General Secretariat is the central and permanent organ of the **Organization of American States (OAS)**. Through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), the General Secretariat 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, the 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.

KDI School of Public Policy and Management were founded in December 1997, under the auspices of the Korean Ministry of Education and Human Resource Development. The School has two overarching missions – to produce international experts with theoretical knowledge and practical skills in the field of development economics and public policy, and to foster future leaders who can cope with the rapidly changing international environment, and exercise global leadership in every sector of our society.

KDI School currently offers three Master degree programs: Public Policy (MPP), Development Policy (MDP), and Public Management (MPM), and two Doctorate degree programs (Public Policy and Development Policy). Among the three Master level programs, MPP was accredited by NASPAA in 2014, and KDI School is currently in the process of getting the MDP and MPM programs accredited by NASPAA as well.

The School also offers great diversity, accepting approximately with more than 1,400 international alumni members, spread across more than 110 countries around the world. KDI School accepts roughly 350 students each year, of which 50% consists of international students from roughly 80 countries around the world. Most students come from the public sector (e.g. government officials, public corporation employees) and the majority benefit from extensive scholarship schemes offered by various organizations, including KOICA.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

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**100% tuition cost subject to the academic performance of the student. To maintain the scholarship, recipients should not be reported with low academic performance for not attending class and/or for failing a course.*

▼ FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF AWARDEES:

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

- ⊗ Subsistence and medical insurance.
- ⊗ Visa processing and immigration.
- ⊗ English translations of recommendation letters.
- ⊗ Pocket money for any personal expenses.
- ⊗ Fees for school administrative services (certificates, issuing documents, etc.), admissions tests, graduation costs, legalization of documents.
- ⊗ Books and study materials, accommodation, and meals, as well as any other additional costs or expenses in which the awardee may incur and which are not covered in this call.

APPLICANT'S PROFILE:

Applicants for Master's degree program must meet the following requirements:

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<u>Master of Public Management</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a bachelor's degree from an accredit college or University; (min. 3 years); Good command of English (all classes and assessments are conducted in English); • Letter of unconditional admission to KDI; • The awardee must not have received other academic scholarships from the OAS or from KDI, for the same level of studies and/or programs as requested in the 2017 OAS-KDI application; • Only citizens and/or permanent legal residents of <u>OAS member states</u> will be eligible; • OAS staffs, individuals who maintain employment contracts with the OAS, the staff of the Permanent Missions to the OAS, and their immediate relatives, are not eligible to receive OAS-KDI scholarships; and • No type of employment or commercial relationship shall be established between the OAS or KDI and the PAEC OAS-KDI awardees. Similarly, the OAS and KDI shall not assume any type of liability for the student, whether civil, contractual or non-contractual, during the entire scholarship period.
<u>Master of Public Policy</u> <u>Master of Development Policy</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hold a bachelor's degree from an accredit college or University; (min. 3 years); Good command of English (all classes and assessments are conducted in English); • Letter of unconditional admission to KDI; • Must be currently employed in the public sector (1) as a division head-level official; or (2) with minimum of 6 years of working experience in the public sector; • The awardee must not have received other academic scholarships from the OAS or from KDI, for the same level of studies and/or programs as requested in the 2017 OAS-KDI application; • Only citizens and/or permanent legal residents of <u>OAS member states</u> will be eligible; • OAS staffs, individuals who maintain employment contracts with the OAS, the staff of the Permanent Missions to the OAS, and their immediate relatives, are not eligible to receive OAS-KDI scholarships; • No type of employment or commercial relationship shall be established between the OAS or KDI and the PAEC OAS-KDI awardees. Similarly, the OAS and KDI shall not assume any type of liability for the student, whether civil, contractual or non-contractual, during the entire scholarship period.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

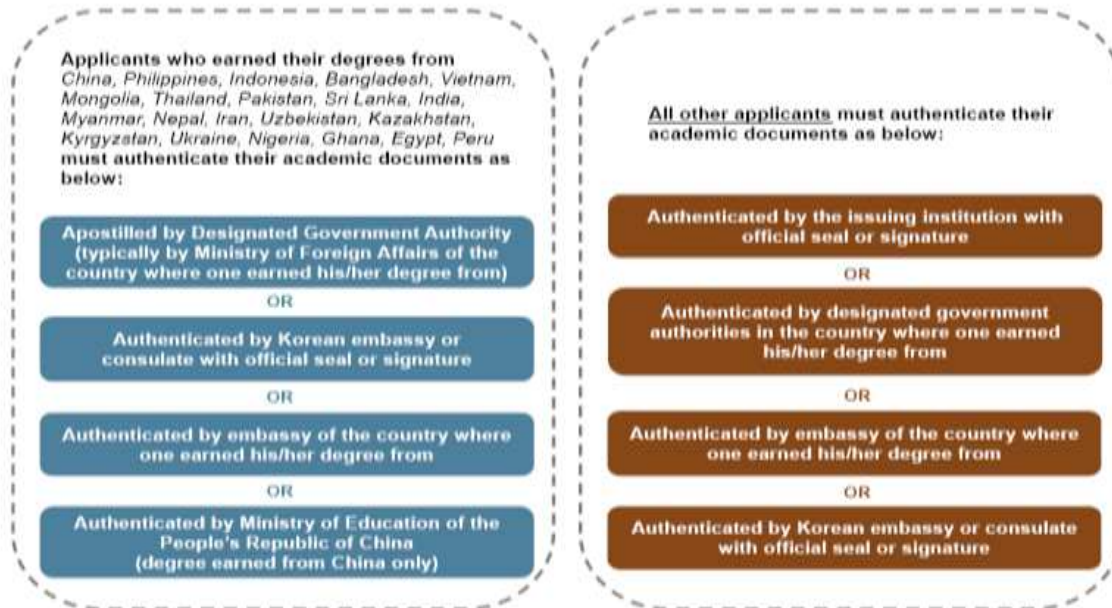
Step 1 > Gather required documents

In order to apply for an OAS-KDI Scholarship, the candidate must fill out the **OAS-KDI Scholarship Application Form** and attach only the following required documentation:

1. Scan or photo of [passport page](#) that contains the applicant's full name, date of birth, and country of citizenship.

2. Curriculum vitae or resume, in English; no specific format required, please do not include certificates for professional development courses, workshops or similar courses.

3. Certified copy of undergraduate diploma or degree certificate from an academic institution, certifying compliance with all academic requirements, including approval of final exams/thesis, if applicable. For Documentation Authentication, you must follow the instructions below:



4. Certified copy of undergraduate academic transcripts of completed programs (must provide a record of all the courses you have taken throughout the years of studying). Certificate of expected graduation must be submitted if one is expected to earn a bachelor's degree prior to the proposed date of admission. Educational attainment equivalent to bachelor's degree (min. 3 years) approved by law. Copies must be certified.

5. OAS - KDI Statement of Purpose: Please download the following form and explain your motivation and qualifications for pursuing your education at KDI School, **you must use the following KDI official form.**

[OAS - KDI Statement of Purpose form](#)

6. Two (2) recommendation letters: from a university professor or from a current or most recent employer. The letter, must include the professor's/employer's position, contact information, date and signature, these letters should provide information about your performance in academic or professional settings. Please used KDI official form.

[OAS-KDI Recommendation Form](#)

7. Employment Verification: The employment period and name of position must be specified. The verification should indicate the employment category (e.g. public, private, NGO, etc) and HR Officer or supervisor of the applicant should write and sign the verification letter). Please used KDI official form.

[OAS-KDI Employment Verification Form](#)

8. Certified Copy of TOEFL, TOEIC, IELTS, TEPS, OPIC Score Report or Certificate of Medium of Instruction:

- The tests must have been taken within 2 years of the proposed date of admission. Take note that the semester starts in February 2018 and the test must have been taken as of February, 2016.
- If you have received your university degree from an English-speaking country, you may submit a certificate of medium of instruction instead.
- Document(s) must be notarized or original.

NOTE: Applicants must ensure that all information provided as part of the OAS Scholarship Application is accurate, true, correct, and documents must be typed. While documents are sent electronically, applicants must be able to present physical and original copies of these documents, if required to do so.

Step 2 > Apply online

Applicants must complete and submit the [OAS-KDI Form](#), and upload all the required documents listed above in one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB). If the file is larger than 5MB, you will be unable to submit the online form. Do not include any additional documents besides those indicated above.

1. Go to the [Scholarship Application Form](#)



2. Fill in all your personal information in the corresponding fields in each section of the Application Form:



3. In SECTION III **Digital Documents**, please attach the PDF with all the documents listed below:



All required document, must be scanned and stored up in one (1) single PDF file in a low resolution. The attached document cannot exceed 5 MB.

[Click here for the Online Application Form](#)

Applications should be submitted no later than **October 6, 2017**.

Important: Please review all the information in your application before its submission.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

Notification of pre-selected candidates The OAS will contact selected candidates by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for the scholarship acceptance. Applicants who are not selected will not be contacted. Scholarship awardees will be provided with instruction and next step to finish the application for this scholarship and admission process in KDI.

▼ SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA:

- Academic merit and overall credentials, including the candidate's academic and professional background;
- Geographical distribution of the applicants, taking into account national needs as per the United Nations' Development Program Human Development Index and;

- Applicants whose proposals portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin.

▼ DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE STUDENT:

- Selected awardees will be contacted and will be required to complete and sign the "Scholarship Acceptance Form" and return it to the OAS;
- Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this form;
- Comply with all academic guidelines and requirements for admission and permanence, requested by KDI and follow any updates made to these standards by KDI academic authorities;
- Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees", section II.2;
- Applicants with special needs/disabilities should ensure that KDI has the physical, communication skills, necessary technology, capacity and services infrastructure for their full inclusion and retention in the program, before applying to the OAS-KDI scholarship;
- Awardees must commit to return to work in their country of origin or legal residence; in one of the OAS [member states](#); or at an international organization, for at least the same length of the duration of the scholarship. If the awardee fails to comply with this commitment, the OAS and KDI may require the awardee to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship, at the time in which the declination is processed;
- The awardee must obtain a student visa from South Korea, if necessary, and cover any costs incurred in this process; and
- Neither the OAS or KDI assume any liability arising from the acceptance or rejection of the KDI degree by the government entity, within the country of origin of the awardee.

▼ CONTACT INFORMATION:

For additional information on the program, please send an email with the subject "OAS-KDI scholarship" to

scholarships@oas.org



www.oas.org/scholarships



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