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OAS - International Training Center of the International Labor Organization 2016 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 International Training Center of the International Labor Organization ([ITC-ILO](#)), through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in the ITC-ILO's Master's degree program below.

PROGRAMS:	Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development*
MODALITY:	Online with a 16-week onsite component in Turin, Italy
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	12 months
DEADLINES:	Program admission: May 30, 2016 Scholarship application: May 30, 2016
START DATE	October 17, 2016
END DATE	October 13, 2017
BENEFITS:	Scholarship covers 62% or 5,200 Euros of the total tuition cost and health insurance

***IMPORTANT NOTICE:** This scholarship opportunity is also being offered in Spanish (*Maestría en Patrimonio de la Humanidad y Proyectos Culturales para el Desarrollo*) under the same conditions of this announcement. For more information on the PAEC OAS/ITC-ILO scholarship opportunity in Spanish please click [here](#).

1. ABOUT The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States

GS/OAS is the central and permanent organ of the Organization of American States (OAS). Through its Department of Human Development and Education (DHDE), 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, DHDE strengthens democratic values and security under the framework of regional integration. DHDE 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.

2. ABOUT The International Training Center of the International Labor Organization

The International Labor Organization (ILO) and the Italian Government established the International Training Centre (ITC) in 1964 in Turin, Italy as an advanced vocational training institute. It has since then matured into a focal point for high-level in-service training to develop human resources and institutional capabilities, and achieve the ILO's goal of decent work for women and men.

The ITC-ILO is a unique institution offering:

- o A reservoir of expertise on employment, labor, human resources development and capacity-building.
- o In-depth knowledge of the specific social, economic and cultural conditions of different countries and regions.
- o A world-wide network of partner institutions and resource persons.
- o Close links with the ILO and the whole United Nations system.
- o A strong client orientation, multi-lingual delivery, inter-disciplinary perspective and gender sensitivity.
- o A constant evaluation and fine-tuning of its services
- o Cutting-edge information and communication technology.
- o Modern residential facilities on our campus in Turin, Italy.
- o A favorable location for relevant study visits in the heart of Europe.
- o Advanced training facilities, global scope and multi-cultural learning environment.

3. Application for Admission Information (ITC-ILO's Website)

The candidate should begin the admission process to the degree program before applying for the Scholarship.

Student/Applicant's profile

The program is intended for officials and/or professionals in the public and private sectors, UN Agencies, foundations and NGO, recent university graduates from developing and developed countries, professionals already involved in cultural projects , or interested in designing and managing cultural development projects, people working or interested in World Heritage sites and related research. The essential requirements for admission are a university degree (minimum required three years University Degree) as well as fluency in the English language.

Admission Process:

Before applying for admission, we encourage applicants to read the program description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests. For more information on the program please visit: <http://worldheritage.itcilo.org/home>

Candidates applying for and OAS scholarship are requested to complete the ITCILO on-line application form on the Master's web page at http://intranetp.itcilo.org/MASTERF?coord_code=A979082&set_language=en.

Students must possess a bachelor's degree diploma or certificate of completion of degree prior to the day the application is submitted.

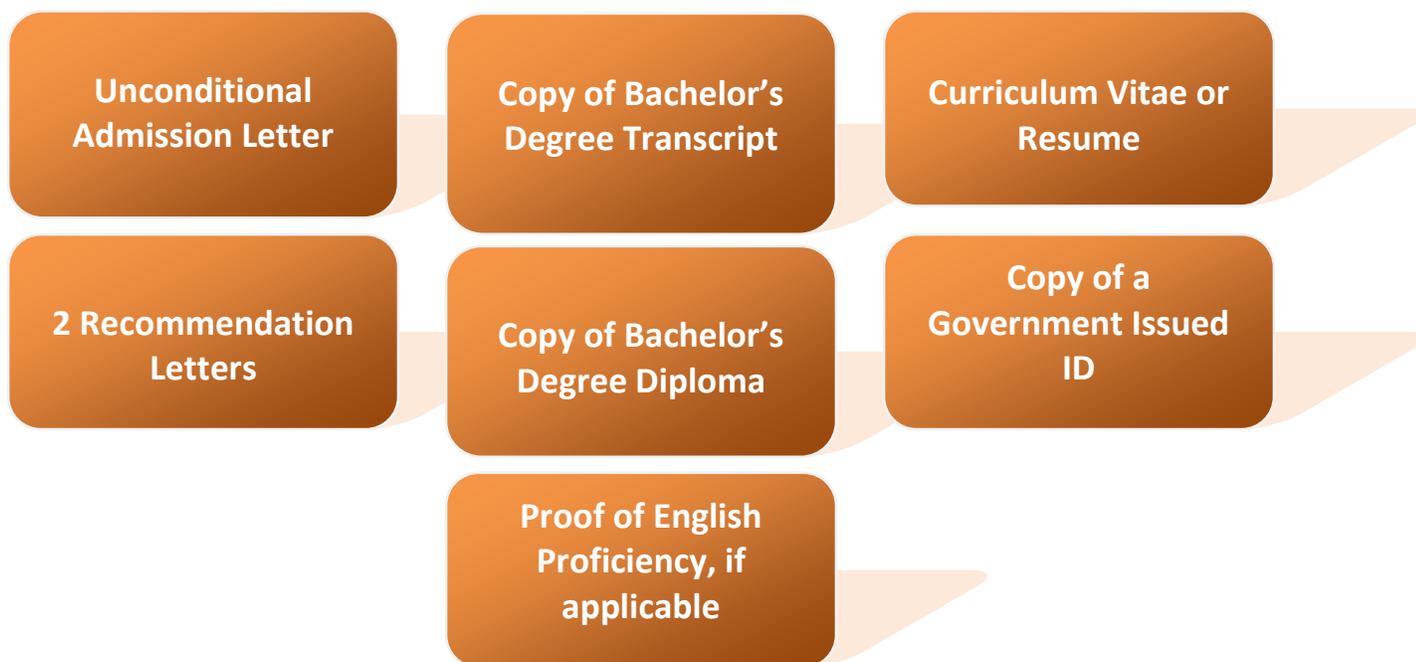
For more information on the program please visit: http://www.itcilo.org/new_masters/master-in-world-heritage-and-cultural-projects-for-development/

ITC-ILO Contact Information:

Applicants can contact the Activity Manager, Ms Margarita Lalayan at worldheritage@itcilo.org or +39 011 693 6530 for more information on the admission process and the Program.

4. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS (OAS' Website)

To apply for this scholarship opportunity, you must submit a [Scholarship Application](#) through the OAS Fellowship Management System. You will be required to upload the following documents where indicated in the application form:



Please note the following:

- a) 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.

- b) Pre-selected candidates will be asked to provide proof of sufficient funds to cover tuition and fees and other costs mentioned in section 5 below, which is estimated at **EUR 3,200.00 to cover the cost of remaining tuition and approximately EUR \$ 5000 to cover other costs mentioned.**

- c) One of the **letters of recommendation** should be provided by a university professor and the other should be provided by your 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.

- d) You are required to write and include **two essays** in the scholarship application form. The essays should be written in English. Each essay should have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.

Essay 1

Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.

Essay 2

Explain how you intend to apply the acquired knowledge and experience in the specific field of study that you will pursue to the development of your country or region.

OAS Contact Information:

For questions about this scholarship opportunity, please contact Ms. Elisa Granadillo at egranadillo@oas.org.

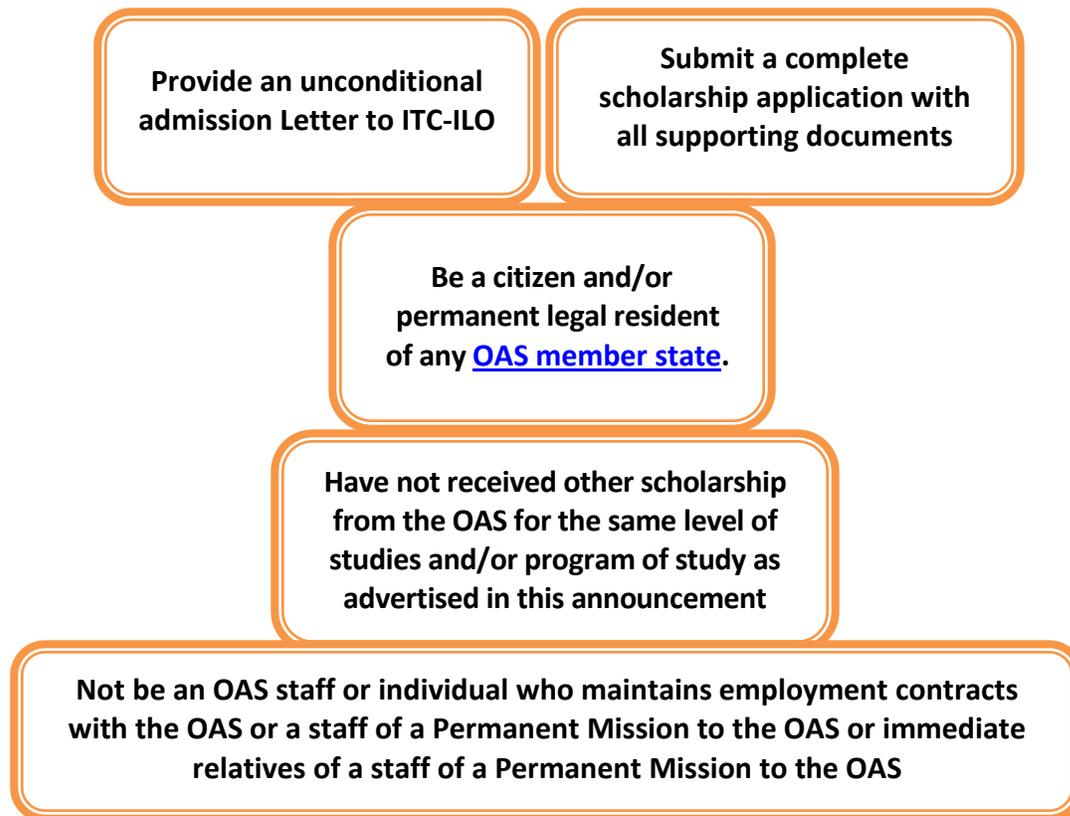
5. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

PROGRAMS	Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development. For more information on the program please visit: http://worldheritage.itcilo.org/home
SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS	Scholarship covers 62% or 5,200 Euros of the total tuition cost and health insurance.
FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF APPLICANTS	Remaining tuition of 3,200 Euros and other costs including, immigration fees (for onsite visit); study materials; living expenses (during onsite visit); round trip airfare (for onsite visit); and any additional fees not included in the OAS-ITC-ILO Scholarship offer. The aforementioned fees is approximately EUR 5,000.
COMMENTS	Scholarship benefits are subject to the academic performance of the awardee. In order to receive these benefits, the awardee should not be reported with unsatisfactory academic performance.

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 the remaining tuition fees and any other costs as needed to the university.

6. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

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



7. Scholarship Selection Criteria:

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

8. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:

- Pre-selected candidates will be asked to complete an [OAS Student Financial Form](#) to show proof that you have sufficient funds to cover remaining tuition and fees, travel and other costs not covered by the scholarship.
- The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/ITC-ILO Acceptance Form, in which the 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, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.

- d) Comply with all the academic guidelines and admission requirements requested by ITC-ILO and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at ITC-ILO.
- e) Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees."
- f) To retain the scholarship, awardees should not have low academic performance (GPA must be at least equivalent to 3.0/4.0), due to absence from the program and/or course failure.
- g) 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 and ITC-ILO may require the awardee to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship at the time in which the declination is processed.
- h) Commitment 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 length of the duration of the scholarship. Failure to comply with this commitment, the GS/OAS and/or the ITC-ILO could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.
- i) To validate the diploma obtained in Italy, the student will need to seek information within his/her own Ministry of Education. The OAS and the Institution take no responsibility regarding the validity of the degree in the student's country of origin.

APPLY NOW!

For more information: www.oas.org/scholarships

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