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## OAS Consortium of Universities

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The Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE) through its OAS Scholarship and Training Programs provide scholarship opportunities for academic and professional development studies to citizens or permanent residents of OAS member states. The goal is to strengthen human and institutional capacity and foster integral development throughout the Western Hemisphere. To achieve this goal, the Department of Human Development, Education and Employment created the OAS Consortium of Universities in which scholarship recipients may study in recognized educational institutions of the OAS member states.

The main objective of the Consortium is to create mechanisms for cooperation and co-financing of joint educational initiatives between the OAS and Institutions of higher education for the development of human capital in the Americas. Presently, the consortium is comprised of over one-hundred and sixty institutions of higher education in the Americas that provide OAS scholarships and training opportunities.

## OAS Scholarship and Training Programs

To attract international students from the Americas, universities that join the OAS Consortium could benefit from one or more of the following OAS programs:

- The Academic Scholarship Program offers students from the OAS member states scholarships of up to USD\$10,000 per academic year for a maximum of two academic years for graduate and undergraduate programs.
- The Partnership Scholarship and Training Program (PAEC) may offer shared scholarship funding based on the negotiation with the institution for graduate, undergraduate, and professional development programs.
- The Professional Development Scholarship Program (PDSP) provides scholarship recipients with up to USD\$1,350 for travel for onsite and blended courses in OAS Member States, up to USD\$1,500 for travel to any other country, and up to 50% of tuition costs for online courses offered by universities whose course are accepted by the OAS through a selection process.
- The Rowe Fund Student Loan Program offers a maximum USD\$15,000 interest free loan for students from Latin America and Caribbean member countries to study in the United States.

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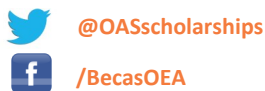
## Benefits of Joining the OAS Consortium

- Work with a prestigious international organization that is the main political, judicial, social and governmental forum in the Western Hemisphere.
- The OAS will give your institution exposure and visibility, and disseminate and promote your university's academic programs in the 34 OAS member states.
- Enrich your institution with the presence of international students from diverse geographical and cultural backgrounds.
- Achieve greater internationalization of your academic programs and possible improvement of the university's global ranking score and competitiveness.
- Contribute to development of human capital in the hemisphere by supporting and promoting the training of future leaders of the Americas.
- The OAS may conduct targeted recruitment of students in the Member States, reviewing applications for eligibility and setting up the selection process for your institution.
- The OAS will make available its online scholarship application platform where people can complete and submit their OAS scholarship applications.
- The OAS provides monitoring services for its scholarship recipients ensuring their wellbeing at their place of study.
- Generate links with the OAS that can lead to other types of collaborative activities.

## OAS Requirements

- The OAS seeks reputable Institutions in the Americas that have been accredited for at least ten (10) years and whose academic programs are also accredited by their official Government entity, or an international accreditation body.
- Accredited programs must be in existence for at least five (5) years.
- Have an ongoing internationalization program with infrastructure and programs that support international students.
- Institutions willing to offer OAS scholarship recipients tuition waivers, instate tuition, or at least 50% tuition discount for at least 10 students per year in a variety of programs of study.
- Institutions willing to offer OAS scholarship recipients other concessions or scholarship benefits, such as, fee waivers, books, subsistence, medical insurance, part-time employment, paid internship opportunities, assistantships, grants, and travel to and from country of origin.

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## Process to Join the OAS Consortium of Universities

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Please complete the attached form and send to the OAS the following information:

- Description of the university and the reason you wish to partner with the OAS.
- Description of the programs you wish to promote through the OAS.
- Proof of accreditation of the university and accreditation of the university’s programs.
- The number of years of existence of each program you wish to promote through the OAS.
- Number of international students in the university per year, including students from OAS member states broken down by region: Caribbean, Central, South and North America.
- Number of international students that graduate per year in the program you wish to promote.
- List the tuition costs and fees, including cost of living expenses, at the graduate and undergraduate level for international students.
- Description of the infrastructure and services the university provides to international students.
- Types of scholarships, grants, assistantships, and waivers that are provided to international students.

## Negotiation and Signing of Bilateral Agreements

- Once the form with the information above is received, the OAS will review it and contact your institution for further discussions.
- Once both parties have reached an agreement, the OAS will send a general Cooperation Agreement template which your institution may review. When approved, the agreement will make the relationship between the OAS and the university official.
- The OAS will also send Supplementary Agreements, one for each Scholarship Program you wish to join. In these Supplementary Agreements the parties will describe their offers in detail.
- Once negotiations are concluded, the OAS will send the agreements to its legal and financial departments for review and approval. The signed agreement by OAS will be sent to the university for its signature.

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