



OAS – Colorado State University 2017 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 Colorado State University (CSU), through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in the following program:

PROGRAMS:	Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise (GSSE) MBA
MODALITY:	Onsite in Colorado, United States
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	18 months
DEADLINES:	<u>Application for admission through the University:</u> February 1th, 2017 <u>Application for scholarship through the OAS:</u> February 15, 2017
START DATE	August 22, 2017
END DATE	December 2018
BENEFITS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> USD \$50,000 of tuition and fees to the top ranked candidate; One-third of graduate tuition fee to remaining candidates; A one-time subsistence allowance of USD \$1,350 to the top ranked candidate; and CSU will waive the application fee for admission.

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, Education and Employment (DHDEE), 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, 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.

2. ABOUT Colorado State University

Founded in 1870 as the Colorado Agricultural College, Colorado State University is one of the nation’s top research universities, offering a world-class education through more than 150 programs of study. Academic programs at CSU are among the best in the nation in quality, innovation and achievement, with internationally

known programs in infectious disease, agriculture, cancer research, atmospheric science, sustainability and clean energy, and much more. CSU faculty tackles critical local and global issues, and provides an enriching and rewarding student learning experience that combines intellectual classroom pursuits with hands-on experience in the field and laboratory. CSU is located at the base of the Rocky Mountains in beautiful Fort Collins, an award winning city of about 150,000. Approximately 25,000 students study on campus, including more than 2,000 international students from 94 countries. In the College of Business, the Global Social and Sustainable Enterprise (GSSE) MBA was founded in 2007.

3. CSU and GSSE Achievements and Initiatives

- The GSSE MBA was ranked 7th in student exposure and 5th among small programs in the Aspen Institute’s Beyond Grey Pinstripes “Global 100” ranking of full-time social and environmental MBA programs.
- Net Impact’s Business as Unusual report ranked the GSSE MBA as the 2nd in “social impact” among over 100 MBA programs.
- Colorado State University received the nation-wide 2013 Senator Paul Simon Award for Campus Internationalization from NAFSA.
- “One of the top business schools in the nation.” Businessweek, 2014

4. Application for Admission Information

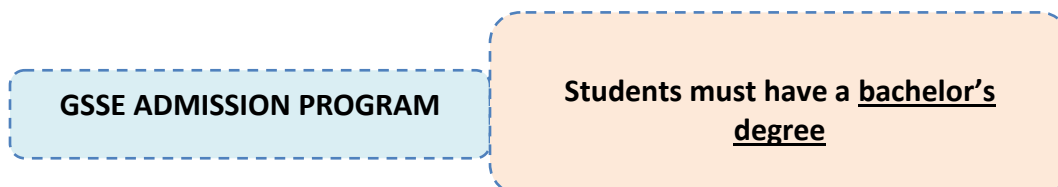
The candidate should begin the admission process to the degree program covered by this scholarship program. For more information on the application for admission process, please go to the CSU’s [website](#).

Student/Applicant’s profile

In the **CSU GSSE** program 25-40 students are accepted into this cohort-based approach. Ideal candidates will have at least 2 years of work experience in a related field of international development, poverty alleviation, sustainability, or have demonstrated an entrepreneurial spirit. An undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0 is required.

Admission Process:

Before applying for admission, students are encouraged to read the program description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests.



Application Fee:

CSU will waive the application fee for admission to students applying for an OAS/CSU Scholarship.

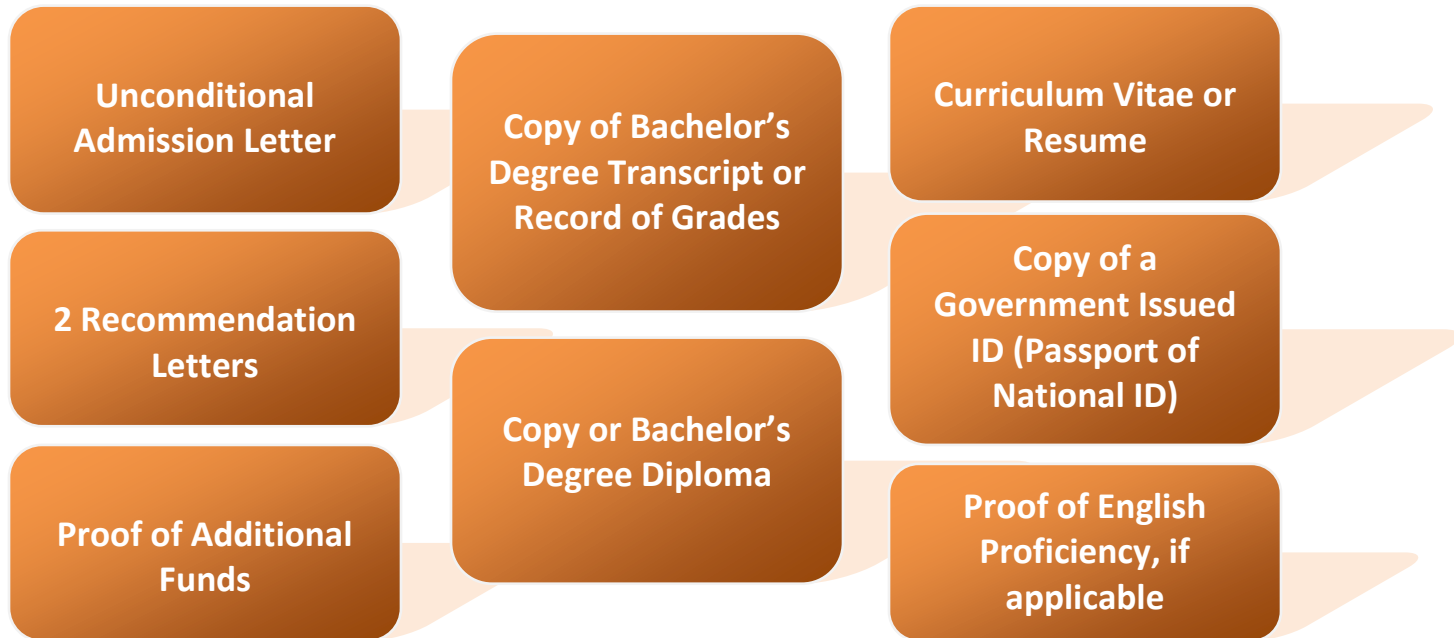
University Contact Information:

GSSE Program: Applicants can contact Ms. Shelby Sack at shelby.sack@colostate.edu for more information about the university’s admission process and program details.

5. SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

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 that all supporting documents must first be combined into ONE PDF document before it can be uploaded in the application form. The application system does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded, hence the aforementioned request. Please be guided accordingly.



Please note the following:

- a) All documents must be in English or official translated to English.
- b) 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.

- c) Proof that you have **sufficient funds** to cover remaining tuition and fees and other costs not covered by the scholarship by including **one, or a combination**, of the following documents with your scholarship application:
 - a copy of a rental agreement on property showing you as the property owner;
 - a copy of a bank statement or bank letter;
 - a letter from an employer showing a monthly or yearly salary;
 - a letter showing a student loan or additional scholarship(s), grants, financial aid.

- d) 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.
- The recommendation letters provided for admission consideration to the University can be used for scholarship consideration. However, if you choose to provide new recommendation letters directly to the OAS, the letters should be addressed to the OAS Scholarship and Training Programs, Department of Human Development, Education and Employment.
- e) 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.

<p>Essay 1</p> <p>Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.</p>	<p>Essay 2</p> <p>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.</p>
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OAS Contact Information:

For questions about this scholarship opportunity, please contact Ms. Jennifer Hoogdorp at jhoogdorp@oas.org.

6. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

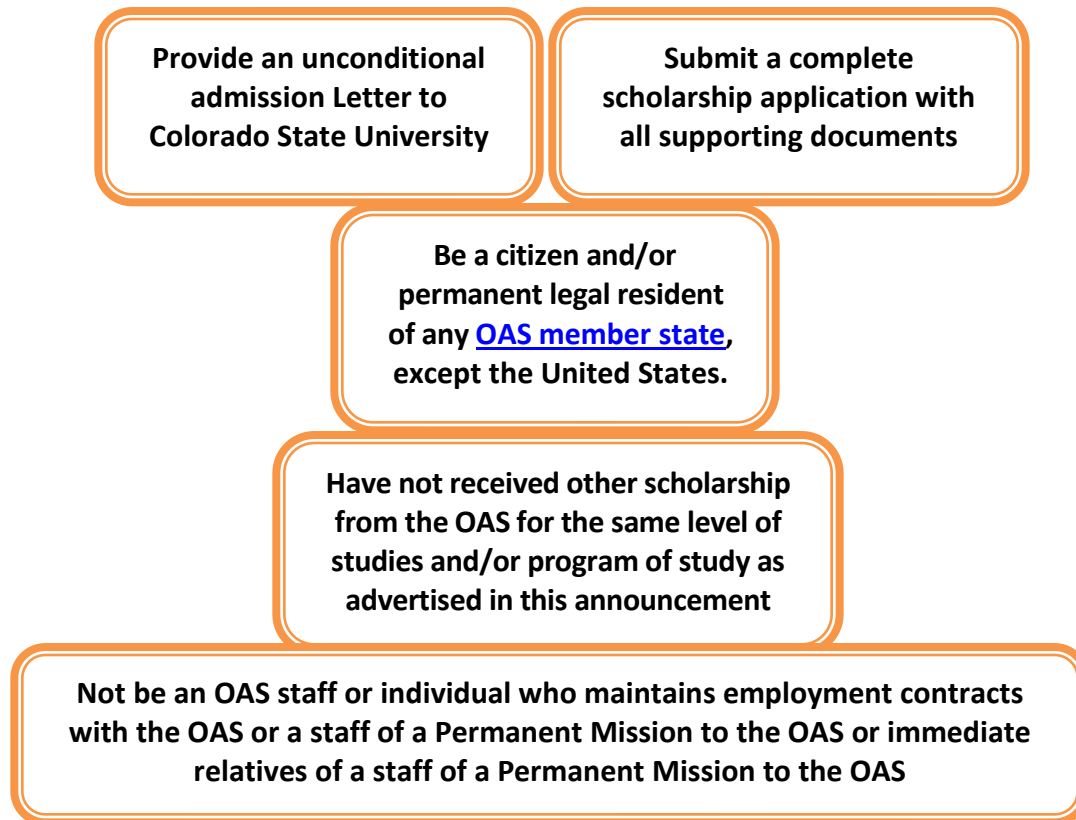
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FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF APPLICANTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining tuition and/or school fees • Immigration fees; • Research expenses; • Study materials; • Living expenses; • Round trip airfare; • Any other costs not mentioned.
COMMENTS	

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 CSU.

Scholarship benefits are subject to the academic performance of the awardee. In order to receive these benefits, the awardee should not be reported with an unsatisfactory academic performance due to absences or failing courses.

7. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

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



8. Scholarship Selection Criteria

- a) The merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic and professional background;
- b) Geographical distribution of the applicants, taking into account the greater needs of the smaller and relatively less developed economies;
- c) Applicants whose proposals portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin; and
- d) Gender diversity.

ONLY ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES WILL BE CONTACTED.

9. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:

- a. The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/CSU Acceptance Form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- b. Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- c. Comply with all the academic guidelines and admission requirements requested by CSU and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at CSU.
- d. Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees"
- e. 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.
- f. 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 CSU may require the awardee to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship at the time in which the declination is processed.
- g. 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 CSU could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

APPLY NOW!

For more information: www.oas.org/scholarships