

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MASTERS IN:

World Heritage and Cultural Projects

Management of Development Applied Labour Economics for Development

Social Innovation for Development

VABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

The General Secretariat of the OAS (GS/OAS) is the central and permanent organ of the Organization of American States.

- ➤ 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.

<u>The International Labor Organization (ILO)</u> and the Italian Government established the <u>International Training Centre (ITC)</u> 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:

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

ACHIEVEMENTS AND INITIATIVES

The Turin School of Development is a Programme of the International Training Centre of the International Labour Organization (ITCILO) created in 2009 in Turin, in collaboration with the University of Turin and the Polytechnic of Turin.

The objective is to provide multi-disciplinary postgraduate learning opportunities with targeted content and effective delivery modalities, conducive to imparting the essential skills required to deal with today's social, economic and environmental priorities at national and global levels.

The TSD offers 10 Masters in disciplines related to the core mandate of key UN agencies, designed for the benefit of an international audience of future experts and leaders. Each Master provides:

- ✓ Intensive delivery that meets the learning requirements of a European Masters degree
- ✓ Multi-disciplinary coverage of the full range of technical competencies and professional skills
- ✓ The combination of academic resource persons and development practitioners

The key areas of the training disciplines are the most central ones for the main international institutions: sustainable development, poverty reduction and job creation, global trade, good governance, industrial relations, culture and workplace environment.

A full involvement of specialized UN agencies and distinguished professional bodies in programme design, delivery and supervision is an additional strength of these Masters.

Since the first course was organized in 1991, more than 2750 students from all over the world have gained a Master diploma here in Turin. In the 2018–19 academic year, the School enrolled 214 students, comprised of 105 women and 109 men from more than 80 different countries.

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TESTIMONIALS FROM CURRENT STUDENTS

"When I applied for the Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development I had high expectations but no idea that it would have such fast results in my professional life. The quality of the course and the professors was extraordinary and I got much more than I expected. Solid theory and much practice. During the last month of the presential period I decided to apply for a position at Rjukan-Notodden World Heritage site. At all phases of the recruitment process I kept using everything I had learned in the course. In the end I got the job, and today I use my learnings to preserve and develop this site." Ms Juliana Stogan (Portugal), Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development

"Being a MALED's student was a wonderful and really intense adventure! The lecturers we had were all experts on their respective fields and took very seriously the objective of deliver a strong learning experience. However, tutors and MALED's staff are very helpful and supportive, so it becomes easier to overcome any difficulty found during the journey. Last but not least, the contact with classmates from all over the world contributes to make the whole thing more enriching than a mere academic program. So MALED has the characteristic to provide learnings that help people grow both professionally and personally." Mr Alejandro Javier Flores Morán (El Salvador), Master in Labour Economics and Sustainable Development

SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

PROGRAMS:	 ✓ Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development ✓ Master in Management of Development ✓ Master in Applied Labor Economics for Development ✓ Master in Social Innovation for Development
MODALITY / COUNTRY:	Each Master combines online modules with an onsite component in Turin, Italy (different duration between 12 and 18 weeks)
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	12 Months
CALENDAR:	University Admission: June 1, 2019 Scholarship application: June 10, 2019
DATES	 ✓ Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development: from October 15, 2019 to October 12, 2020 ✓ Master in Management of Development: from September 30, 2019 to September 29, 2020 ✓ Master in Applied Labor Economics: from October 22, 2019 to 28 February 2021 ✓ Master in Social Innovation for Development: from November 1, 2019 to 31 October 2020
SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS:	The scholarship covers 50% or 4,200 Euros of the total tuition cost and health insurance

▼ APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION INFORMATION

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

Student/Applicant's profile

The programs are 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 (to all the three programs) are a university Bachelor degree (minimum required three years of university studies) as well as fluency in the English language.

Admission Process:

Before applying for admission, we encourage applicants to read the programs description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests. For more information on the program please visit:

- ✓ Master in World heritage and Cultural projects for Development: http://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/master-in-world-heritage-and-cultural-projects-for-development
- ✓ Master in Management of Development: http://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/master-in-management-of-development/background
- ✓ Master in Applied Labour Economics for Development: http://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/msc-in-applied-labour-economics-for-development
- ✓ Master in Social innovation for Development: https://www.itcilo.org/masters-programmes/advance-course-on-social-innovation-impact-change

Applicants applying for an OAS scholarship are requested to complete the ITC-ILO on-line application form on the Master's web pages provided in the table on page 1 of this announcement. 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 these programs, please visit the website as indicated on page 1 of this announcement.

ITC-ILO Contact Information:

Applicants can contact the secretariat of each Program for more information on the admission process and the Master. The e-mail contacts are:

- ✓ Master in World Heritage and Cultural Projects for Development: e-mail worldheritage@itcilo.org
- ✓ Master in Management of Development: <u>mandev@itcilo.org</u>
- ✓ Master in Applied Labour Economics for Development: maled@itcilo.org
- ✓ Master in Social innovation for Development: <u>turinschool@itcilo.org</u>

▼ SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply for an OAS – ITC-ILO scholarship, the applicant must have ALL required supporting documentation, which includes:

- 1. **Government issued ID** scan a photo of the passport page that contains the applicant's full name, date of birth, and country of citizenship.
- 2. **Admission letter** unconditional admission letter from the International Training Center of the International Labor Organization.
- 3. **Transcript or record of grades** copy of Bachelor's Degree Transcript. Transcripts must be translated by a sworn translator if English is not the original language of the transcript.
- 4. **Certificate or Diploma** copy of Bachelor's degree diploma or letter of enrollment from current institution.
- 5. **Two (2) Recommendation Letters** one of the recommendation letters should be provided by a university professor and the other should be provided by 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.
 - a. Applicants with no work experience may substitute the recommendation letter from the employer with a recommendation letter from a second professor. The recommendation

- letters provided for admission consideration to the University can be used for scholarship consideration.
- b. 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.
- 6. **Essays** applicants are required to write and include two essays in the scholarship application form. The essays should be written in English. Both essays should have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.
 - a. Essay 1: Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or future career.
 - b. 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.
- 7. **Curriculum vitae** in English and no specific format is required. Do not include copies of diplomas, certificates or awards; only include text.
- 8. **Proof of English Proficiency**, if applicable applicants whose native language is not English will be required to submit one of the following as proof of English proficiency:
 - a. A copy of an official transcript verifying completion of studies in an English speaking university or college in the last five years;
 - b. 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 79;
 - c. IELTS 6.5, or the equivalent.

Note: The date stated on the TOEFL or IELTS certificate must be within two years of your proposed start date.

- 9. **Proof of Additional Funds** Proof that you have sufficient funds to cover remaining tuition fees and subsistence costs during the stay period in Turin, by submitting one, or a combination, of the following documents with your scholarship application:
 - a. a copy of a rental agreement on property showing you as the property owner;
 - b. a copy of a bank statement or bank letter;
 - c. a letter from an employer showing a monthly or yearly salary to be received based on study leave with pay;
 - d. a letter showing a student loan or additional scholarship(s), grants, financial aid.
- ✓ **ALL** the required documents must be combined into one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB). If the file is larger than 5MB, you will not be able to summit the online form. The application system does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded. Do not include any additional documents besides those indicated.

STEP 2: Apply online:

- ✓ After applying and receiving admission from the ITC-ILO, you will be required to complete the OAS online scholarship application form upon notification from the university and attach all required supporting documentation listed above via the OAS online system.
- ✓ Only applicants with admission to the ITC-ILO program will be allowed to apply for OAS scholarship consideration.
- ✓ The scholarship application must be completed by July 30, 2019

▼ EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP

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

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

- ✓ remaining tuition of EUR 4,300
- ✓ immigration fees;
- ✓ study materials;
- ✓ living expenses;
- ✓ round trip airfare; and
- ✓ any additional costs and fees that are not included in this scholarship.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Scholarship benefits are subject to the academic performance of the scholarship recipient.

VELIGIBILITY

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

- ✓ Provide an unconditional admission letter from ITC-ILO.
 - o This scholarship opportunity is open to current students from OAS member states at ITC-ILO
- ✓ Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents
- ✓ Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any OAS member state.
 - Applicants from Argentina must fill out a required form through the following link; <u>http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/PAEC/2018/NOTA-SOLICITUD-DGCIN-2017.doc</u> and send it to the <u>National Liaison Office</u> (ONE) in Argentina.

The following applicants are ineligible:

- ⊗ Current OAS scholarship holders
- ⊗ GS/OAS staff and their immediate relatives or GS/OAS consultants
- ⊗ OAS Permanent officials and their immediate relatives.

▼ 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 essays portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin; and
- ✓ Gender diversity.

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Selection Committee

Selection ITC-ILO and the OAS will select the scholarship awardees, based on the criteria listed above.

Notification of 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.**

Publication of Scholarship Results

The names of the scholarship recipients will be published on the OAS Scholarship website at www.oas.org/scholarships in July or August 2019.

▼ DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:

- ✓ 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.
- ✓ 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.
- ✓ Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of scholarship recipients."
- ✓ To retain the scholarship, scholarship recipients 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.
- ✓ The scholarship can be declined by the scholarship recipient before the start date of the program without financial penalties. However, if s/he declines the scholarship after that date without proof of force majeur, the OAS and ITC-ILO may require the scholarship recipient to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship at the time in which the declination is processed.
- ✓ Commitment to return to work in their sponsoring country 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.
- ✓ To validate the diploma obtained in Italy, the scholarship recipient 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 scholarship recipient's sponsoring country.

▼SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION:

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent tescholarships@oas.org with the subject "OAS-ITC/ILO Scholarship Program"

▼ FOR MORE INFORMATION:



www.oas.org/scholarships



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