



The Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE) of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI) presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission to the Organization of American States (OAS) and has the honor to refer to inform of the launching of the **2024 Call for Applications of the Academic Scholarship Program** for graduate and undergraduate studies and/or related research.

The OAS\SEDI\DHDEE invites applications for OAS scholarships for programs of study at academic institutions in OAS Member States in keeping with the 2024 Approved Program-Budget of the Organization of American States ([AG/Res 3011 \(LIII-O/23\)](#)).

The 2024 scholarship cycle shall operate on the following basis:

- The Professional Development Scholarship Program (PDSP) rules shall be applied to the Academic Scholarship Program, as pertains to the Announcement, Application and Selection Process, as well as the Scholarship Selection committee, as contained in the Manual of Procedures ([CIDI/doc.61/13](#)).
- Scholarships are tenable at academic institutions in all Member States, including those participating in the OAS Consortium Universities.
- A maximum limit of US\$ 10,000 is established on the total cost per scholarship per academic year for a minimum of 1 and no more than 2 academic years.
- 1 (one) undergraduate scholarship shall be offered to OAS member states of the English-speaking Caribbean and Suriname.
- 1 (one) graduate scholarship shall be offered to each OAS member state.

**Eligibility requirements:**

- Only complete applications shall be accepted.
- Applications for online programs of study shall be prioritized at the time of scholarship selection.
- Eligible candidates must be enrolled as full-time students in the program of study for which the scholarship is being applied for between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
- Scholarship funds are awarded for studies starting between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.
- Scholarship selection and disbursement of scholarship funds shall take place in the second semester of 2024.
- Scholarship offers and awards are subject to the availability of OAS funds.

The principles set out in Chapter II, Article 3, section 1) of the OAS Charter that: “1) The American States proclaim the fundamental rights of the individual without distinction as to race, nationality, creed, or sex;” must guide competitive selections sponsored by the OAS.

The deadline for submission of the list with three (3) pre-selected candidates along with the justification for the ranking, Annex A (included in the attached [Guidelines for ONEs](#)), through the Permanent Missions to the OAS is **Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024**.

National Liaison Offices (ONEs) in each Member State shall establish their own deadlines for the receipt of applications, and according to the published instructions, applicants will be advised to check with the ONEs regarding deadlines established by them.

SEDI-DHDEE is pleased to inform the Permanent Missions that it is sending a copy of this official communication to OAS Offices and the National Liaison Offices in member states for their information and dissemination.

The Department of Human Development, Education and Employment of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development avails itself of this opportunity to convey to the Permanent Missions accredited to the OAS the assurances of its highest consideration.

  
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