



Ministry of Finance and the Public Service

2026/2027 ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are invited from interested persons for the Organization of American States Scholarships to undertake undergraduate or graduate studies (Bachelor's, Master's or Doctoral degree) or graduate research at an accredited or recognized university/institution of higher learning in any OAS member state except for institutions in Jamaica. Studies must be carried out on a full-time basis, and can be onsite, online or a combination of both, for the academic year **2026/2027**.

PRIORITY DISCIPLINES

- Only Medical Sciences and the learning of new languages are **excluded** from the academic programme

ELIGIBILITY

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of an [OAS Member State](#)
- Possess the language competence to undertake studies in the language of the institution in country of study.
- Have obtained a first degree by the time of application to the scholarship (**graduate studies**).
- Have a GPA above the minimum standard required by the university.
- Be in good physical and mental health to complete the program successfully.

Please note that scholarships are not awarded to study at universities in the applicant's sponsoring country.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS REQUIRED:

- Online Application form:
 - Graduate studies: <https://www.oas.org/fms/Announcement.aspx?id=1153&Type=1&Lang=Eng>
 - Undergraduate studies: <https://www.oas.org/fms/Announcement.aspx?id=1154&Type=1&Lang=Eng>
- Certified copy of current or most recent transcript
- Certified copy of highest degree obtained (Bachelor's or Master). **For graduate studies**
- Two (2) recommendation letters, preferably from current or former professors using the [OAS Recommendation Statement Form](#) or previous employer using the [Employer Recommendation Form](#).
- Recommendation letters from relatives will not be accepted.**
- If unemployed or never employed, include a letter from a professor or someone who can provide reference of your qualities as a student or professional using the [Recommendation Statement Form](#).
- Copy of Government issued identification card or Bio-data page of passport
- Medical Certificate (General check-up)
- Curriculum Vitae (must not exceed 2 pages)

Persons wishing to complete a second Bachelor, Masters or PhD are not eligible

BENEFITS

OAS Academic Scholarships are **complimentary in nature, and do not intend to cover 100% of the recipient's expenses**. Scholarships have a monetary cap of US\$10,000.00 per academic year. The Scholarship is awarded for a minimum period of one (1) academic year and a maximum period of two (2) academic years. The benefits vary and may include:

- Tuition and mandatory fees
- Health Insurance
- Monthly Complementary subsistence allowance
- Round trip airfare (if applicable)
- Annual book allowance

Please note that the disbursement of funds for the 1st academic year shall take place during the 2nd semester of 2026

OBLIGATION

Successful candidates will be required to sign a Loan Agreement for Education and Training (Bond) leaving Jamaica giving an undertaking that upon completion of studies, they will return and work in Jamaica for a specific period of time.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Details on the application process can be accessed from
https://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/Academic_Program_OAS_2026.asp

Applicants are required to submit a copy of the completed application along with the supporting documents to the

Strategic Workforce Planning & Improvement Branch
Ministry of Finance and the Public Service via email: scholarships@mof.gov.jm

Incomplete applications will not be considered.
Be sure to upload all documents and forms as ONE document in PDF format.

CLOSING DATE:

Friday March 27, 2026 at 3:00 p.m.

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL **NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

WE THANK ALL APPLICANTS FOR THEIR INTEREST IN OUR SCHOLARSHIPS
HOWEVER, CONTACT WILL ONLY BE MADE TO SHORT-LISTED CANDIDATES.