



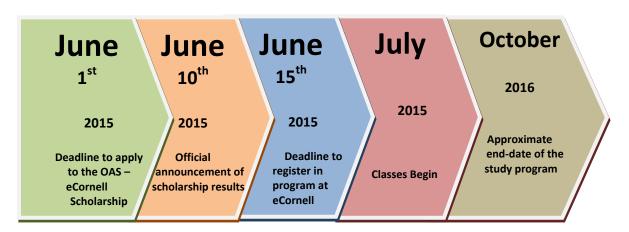
OAS – eCornell 2015 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC)

The Organization of American States (OAS), through the Department of Human Development and Education (DHDE) and the eCornell, through the OAS Partnerships Program for Education and Training (PAEC), are offering scholarships to qualified candidates of the Americas to participate in the following certificate programs below.

PROGRAMS:	Change Leadership Managing for Execution Financial Management Executive Leadership for Healthcare Professionals Management Reporting: Systems and Strategy Hospitality Management: Financial Management Advanced Certificate in Strategic HR Management Marketing Strategy
MODALITY:	Online, United States
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	3 months
DEADLINES:	Scholarship application: June 1 st , 2015
BENEFITS:	66.7% reduction of tuition fee.

IMPORTANT DATES:



ABOUT ECORNELL AND THE OAS

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 and Education (DHDE), 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, DHDE strengthens democratic values and security under the framework of regional integration. DHDE 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.

eCornell

The eCornell is a subsidiary of Cornell University and provides online professional and executive development to students around the world. eCornell offers more than 20 award-winning online certificate programs in a wide variety of disciplines. eCornell's unique approach to e-learning combines the most effective elements of an Ivy League classroom with the flexibility of an online learning environment. eCornell programs are all authored directly by Cornell University faculty. All eCornell course content comes from top-rated programs with proven curricula. eCornell's approach positions students as active participants in the learning process, allowing them to build the necessary problem- solving skills at their own pace and in a manner that conforms to their individual learning style to confront challenges they face on the job and in life

I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. Student/Applicant's profile: Detailed information about the program is available through the links provided in the table on page 1.

2. Study Location/Modality: Online

3. Study program start date: July 2015

4. Study program duration: 3 months

5. Approximate end date of the study program: October 2015

6. Language of instruction: English

7. Skills: The student must possess basic computer and internet skills

II. SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS AND PROGRAM COSTS

1. Benefits:

1.1 The OAS and eCornell shall cover 66.7% of the tuition fees.

2. Financial Responsibilities of Awardees:

- 2.1 In addition to the remaining cost of tuition fees, the scholarship awardees will also be responsible for books and study materials and any costs not covered by the scholarship.
- 2.2 These above expenses 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 required by eCornell.

3. Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

- 3.1 Letter of unconditional admission to one of the graduate programs listed on page one of this announcement.
- 3.2 The student must not have received other scholarships from the OAS or from the eCornell for the same level of studies and/or programs as requested in the 2015 OAS/eCornell application.
- 3.3 Be citizens and/or permanent legal residents of any OAS member state, except the United States.
- 3.4 OAS staff, individuals who maintain employment contracts with the OAS, the staff of Permanent Missions to the OAS and their immediate relatives are not eligible to receive OAS/eCornell scholarships.
- 3.5 No type of employment or commercial relationship shall be established between the OAS or eCornell the PAEC OAS/eCornell scholarship recipients. Similarly, the OAS and eCornell shall not assume any type of liability, whether civil, contractual or non-contractual, during the entire scholarship period

4. Scholarship Application Process:

- STEP 1 Gather the following documents which must be included with the completed OAS/eCornell scholarship application form, and in the following order:
 - 1. Copy of government issued identification document;
 - 2. Curriculum Vitae or Resume, without attachments;
 - 3. Copy of undergraduate academic records or transcripts of completed programs;
 - 4. One letter of recommendation: one letter from a university professor or one from a 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.
 - 5. Students whose native language is not English will be required to submit one of the following proof of English proficiency:
 - I. An official transcript verifying completion of studies in an English speaking university in the last five years; OR

- II. 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. OR
- III. Other standard English proficiency certificagtes

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

- 6. Proof that you have sufficient funds to cover tuition and fees and other expenses as indicated in 2.1 above, which is estimated at USD 1,200, by submitting one, or a combination, of the following documents:
 - 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.

NOTE: Applicants must ensure that all information provided as part of the OAS Scholarship Application is accurate, true and correct. While documents are sent electronically, applicants must be able to present physical and original copies of these documents.

Take into account that you will be required to write two essays in the OAS online scholarship application form, which should be written in English. Each essay should have a minimum of 800 characters (not words) and a maximum of 2900 characters, including spaces.

- ✓ **Essay 1:** Describe how acquiring this academic degree will directly impact and enhance your professional skills in your current job position or career.
- ✓ Essay 2: The OAS PAEC Scholarship requires recipients to return to their country of citizenship or legal residence for 2 years upon completion of the studies. Please explain how you intend to apply the acquired knowledge and experience in the specific field of study that you will pursue to the development in your country or region. Also, please indicate the reasons for applying to this scholarship, financial need and how you will cover the additional costs not included in this scholarship.
- STEP 2 Complete and send the OAS/eCornell Scholarship Application Form, along with the above indicated documents, which should be attached in pdf format and in one document in the order specified in Step 2.

Note: We strongly recommend applying for the scholarship as soon you start the process of admission to Institution. Only applicants that are admitted by the University or Educational Institution will be considered for the scholarship.

The evaluation process, selection, and announcement of results will take place. During this period, the candidate should await the announcement of the scholarship results, which will published at www.oas.org/scholarships in June 2015.

STEP 4	The scholarship acceptance process will take place. Only the selected candidates will be contacted via e-mail which will include the official scholarship offer and the instructions on its acceptance.
STEP 5	The pre-selected candidates will then be informed to register for the selected certificate program on eCornell's website.
STEP 6	Awardee should prepare for the beginning of the study program: registering for classes, ordering course books, among others.

5. Scholarship Selection Criteria

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

6. Duties and Responsibilities of the Student:

- 6.1 The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/eCornell Acceptance Form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship agree to its terms and conditions.
- 6.2 Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in this Acceptance Form.
- 6.3 Comply with all the academic guidelines and registration requirements requested by eCornell and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at eCornell.
- 6.4 Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees", section II.2 "ON THE GRANT".
- 6.5 To retain the scholarship, awardees should not have low academic due to absence from the program and/or course failure.
- 6.6 The scholarship can be declined by the awardee before the start date of the program without financial penalties. However, the scholarship offer is declined after that date without proof of force majeur, the OAS and eCornell may require the awardee to reimburse all funding granted with the scholarship at the time in which the declination is processed.
- 6.7 Commitment to return to work or remain 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 eCornell could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

APPLY NOW!

For more information: www.oas.org/scholarships