



EDUCATIONAL PORTAL OF THE AMERICAS

# **OAS SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

## Professional Development Scholarship Program (PDSP)

#### COURSE:

### **Sustainability Practices for Tourism Leaders**

- Participant's Profile: Professionals (Undergraduate Degree) working in the tourism sector, public or private. Destination managers, owners and operators of tourism businesses, MSMEs, women entrepreneurs, community-based tourism leaders, tourism decision-makers and practitioners
- Modality: Online
- Language Instruction: English
- Duration: 6 weeks (weekly dedication: 6 hours)
- Certification: Certificate from the OAS Educational Portal of the Americas
- Schedule:

Course Start / End Date	Publication of Results	Deadline to Apply Course
October 23 to November 27, 2018	October 15, 2018	Ask the <u>ONE</u> in your country*

\* **IMPORTANT**: Interested applicants must apply through the National Liaison Office (ONE) in their countries, as they will pre-select candidates and will send a final list to the OAS. Please ask your ONE directly about the deadline to apply to this scholarship opportunity.

#### **ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP**

- **Benefits:** 100% tuition discount
- Scholarships available: 20
- Cost of the course: US\$ 350
- Eligibility Requirements:
  - Be a citizen or a legal permanent resident of any OAS Member states, with the exception of the United States, as it is the institution's host country<sup>1</sup>.
  - Have a University Degree at the time of applying to the scholarship
  - Be in good health condition to complete the course requirements.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> No OAS scholarship shall be awarded to an individual for academic and technical studies, research, and professional development in the OAS member state which sponsored the individual for an OAS scholarship.

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#### Required Documents:

- Undergraduate Degree (or higher) Diploma
- 2 recommendation letters
- CV 2 pages max.
- National ID or copy of passport
- Certificate of language proficiency (is your native language is not English)

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

- 1. Scan, in Black and White, all the required documents [see above] in one single PDF file, which should not weight more than 3MB.
- Complete the Online Application Form and upload the PDF file. The Application will allow you to upload only one (1) file, so you need to make sure that you scan all the requested documents in one single file. Upon submission of the Application Form, you will receive a confirmation email which contains the Completed Application Form in PDF.
- 3. Print your Application Form, and submit the application to the ONE in your country, as they will pre-select candidates. Please contact your ONE for further instructions on how to apply.

**NOTE**: The OAS will only consider complete applications. Please make sure you upload all the required documents to the Online Application Form. The OAS will not receive physical or electronic documents sent by email.

#### **RESPONSABILITIES OF THE SELECTED CANDIDATE AND THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:**

- Selected Candidates must officially accept the scholarship by completing and signing the OAS **Scholarship Acceptance Form**.
- The Scholarship Recipient is required to complete the course during the scholarship period.
- The Scholarship Recipient shall participate in the evaluation of the effectiveness of the PDSP by completing the Scholarship Survey, to be completed three (3) months after the end of the course.
- The Scholarship Recipient cannot abandon the Program without a valid justification. In the event
  that the OAS concludes that the reasons indicated by the Scholarship Recipient do not adequately
  justify not initiating or abandoning the program, the Scholarship Recipient will reimburse the OAS
  and/or the Institution directly for the funds invested in their scholarship. Failure to do so prohibits
  the Scholarship Recipient from being considered for future OAS or Institution scholarships and will
  constitute a reason for the OAS to take legal action

#### ABOUT THE EDUCATIONAL PORTAL OF THE AMERICAS

The Educational Portal of the Americas is an initiative of the OAS committed to generate access to quality education in the Americas and the Caribbean, through the use of information and communications technology (ICT).

#### Our main activities:

- Online professional development training,
- Learning and knowledge management technical assistance projects, and
- Capacity development initiatives to enable innovation in education.

#### ABOUT THE OAS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), of the General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS), offers scholarships to citizens and permanent residents of the OAS member states, providing a vital investment in human capital through its Professional Development Scholarship Program (PDSP).

PDSP scholarships are offered through cost sharing partnerships with OAS member states, OAS permanent observer states, regional and international organizations, public and private agencies, philanthropic and commercial institutions, institutes of higher learning, or in coordination with other areas of the GS/OAS.

#### RESULTS

The OAS will publish the results on its website <u>www.oas.org/scholarships</u>. The OAS will only contact selected candidates.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

- For information regarding the <u>course</u>, please contact:
   <u>Educational Portal of the Americas</u>: Alin Valenzuela <u>avalenzuela@oas.org</u>
- For information <u>about the scholarship</u>, please contact:
   <u>OAS:</u> Carmen Loredo <u>PDSP@oas.org</u>

#### **IMPORTANT**

If you have received a scholarship from the PDSP in the last 12 months, or if you are currently an OAS Scholarship Recipient, you are NOT eligible to apply for this scholarship opportunity.

The Professional Development Scholarship Program is governed by the <u>Manual of Procedures for the Scholarship</u> and <u>Training Programs of the OAS</u>