



#### 2021 OAS-MIU Scholarship Opportunity



### **ABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS**

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

- Through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), GS/OAS supports <u>OAS member States</u> 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.

The Marconi International University (MIU) founded in 2012, is an innovative American university based in Miami, Florida.

- MIU is dedicated to innovation in learning technologies and methodologies and to advanced research at an international level at the service of societal changes and progress.
- MIU's commitment to excellence and quality inspires programs that prepare students to face global changes and to successfully apply their academic knowledge to real life situations.
- Its mission is to provide innovative and affordable high-quality degree programs and learning opportunities to both domestic and international students, utilizing the latest technologies and responding to students' needs in their pursuit of academic, personal, and professional integrity.
- MIU is part of the PROEDUCA Group, which is the undisputed leader in online education in Spain, and has a growing presence in Latin America.
- Marconi International University has been licensed by the Florida Department of Education (Commission for Independent Education- CIE) https://web02.fldoe.org/CIE/SearchSchools/SchoolSearchDetail.aspx?schoolID=5359
- MIU has been accredited by the Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS) <u>http://personify.acics.org/Default.aspx?TabID=204</u>

## **V** ACHIEVEMENTS AND INITIATIVES

The mission of <u>Marconi International University (MIU)</u> consists of providing innovative and affordable degree programs and learning opportunities for national and international students, using the latest technologies and responding to the needs of students in their pursuit of academic, personal and professional integrity. MIU is committed to meeting the needs and expectations of all stakeholders (students, teaching and research staff, administration and services staff, public administrations and society in general), involved in the process, through quality training that seeks continuous improvement and excellence.

MIU has a special sensitivity to serve those students who, due to various circumstances, are unable to access face-to-face centers or those who are able, prefer to opt for more open and innovative solutions that emerging technologies open up online.

The <u>GS/OAS</u>, through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (<u>DHDEE</u>), supports its <u>member states</u> in the creation and execution of programs that promote human development at all educational levels. The DHDEE works to strengthen democratic values and security in the region, under the framework of regional integration. Likewise, it fosters training opportunities for citizens, with the purpose of supporting the efforts of the Member States, to improve the quality and equity in education. The DHDEE highlights the support of the Member States -through their diverse cultures- to the economic, social, and human development of their peoples, supporting citizens of the Americas to access knowledge and skills through educational training, which will contribute to the improvement of the living standards of its citizens and those of their communities in the region.

# SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) and the Marconi International University (MIU) of the United States have decided to support outstanding individuals from the Americas by sponsoring the following academic scholarships, to continue their undergraduate and postgraduate studies.

PROGRAMS:	<ul> <li>Master of Science in International Business Administration</li> <li>Master of Science in Educational Leadership, Management and Emergent Technologies</li> <li>Master of Science in International Business Administration + Emergency Management and Disaster Recovery C.E. Program</li> <li>Master of Science in International Business Administration + Environmental Management C.E. Program</li> <li>Bachelor of Science in Business Administration</li> <li>Bachelor of Science in Computer Science</li> </ul>		
MODALITY:	Online, Florida, United States		
LANGUAGE:	English		
DURATION:	1.5 - 4 years		
DEADLINE:	Admission to the university and apply for the scholarship: December 10, 2020		
CALENDAR:	Classes begin: January 04, 2021		
BENEFITS:	60% tuition waiver for Scholarship Recipients		

Scholarship benefits are subject to the academic performance of the scholarship recipient and based on the availability of funds. In order to receive these benefits, the scholarship recipient should not be reported with an unsatisfactory academic performance due to absences or failing courses.

### APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION INFORMATION

- ✓ Applicants should begin the admission process to the degree program covered by this scholarship program. For more information on the application for admission process, please go to MIU's website: <u>Marconi Admission</u> For assistance with your admissions application, please email: <u>admission@miuniversity.edu</u>
- ✓ Before applying for admission, applicants are encouraged to read the program description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests. Please visit: the website to understand admission requirements to the programs of study.
- ✓ Applicants can contact the admissions team at <u>admissions@miuniversity.edu</u> for more information about the university's admission process and program details.

✓ Applicants must be admitted to the MIU and apply for the OAS-MIU Scholarship through the university.

### Applicant's Professional Profile:

In order to obtain detailed information on the profile required for each study program, it is recommended that the applicant visit the website <u>Academic Programs</u> and enter the title of their preference.

## Table of Programs

Name of Program	Modality	Language	Start Date	Duration	Total cost of the program	Cost to be covered by the scholar
Master of Science in International Business Administration	Virtual	English	Jan. 21	18 months	USD 10,430	USD 4,172
Master of Science in Educational Leadership, Management and Emergent Technologies		English	Jan. 21	18 months	USD 10,080	USD 4,032
Master of Science in International Business Administration + Emergency Management and Disaster Recovery C.E. Program	Virtual	English	Jan. 21	24 months	USD 14,500	USD 5,800
Master of Science in International Business Administration + Environmental Management C.E. Program		English	Jan. 21	24 months	USD 14,500	USD 5,800
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration	Virtual	English	Jan. 21	48 months	USD 27,184	USD 10,874
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science		English	Jan. 21	48 months	USD 27,184	USD 10,874

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

### **Step 1** Application for admission to the MIU study program:

- In order to apply for an OAS-MIU scholarship, it is essential to have been admitted to any of the study programs described above in the program table at MIU.
- Applicants must follow the **MIU admission process** to the study program of their interest.
- The applicant must present <u>all the documentation</u> that MIU requires. Once the student is admitted to the program of their choice, **MIU will issue the student an acceptance letter.**
- Applicants must take into account that it is necessary to make the payment of the admission fee required by MIU, in order to be admitted to the study program. For more information on admission costs, please contact MIU directly.

MIU Registration – Information Request

The deadline to request admission to study programs is: **December 10th, 2020** We recommend making sure to review the information contained in your application for admission to the study program before sending

#### **STEP 2** OAS-MIU scholarship application

- Students interested in applying for the scholarship must follow the admission process directly with MIU, stated above.
- By being admitted to the study programs included in this call and receiving the application letter, the applicant will automatically be considered as a candidate for the OAS-MIU scholarship.

#### **STEP 3** Selection of OAS-MIU scholars

MIU and the OAS will constitute a specialized Committee to make the selection of the hundred scholarship recipients. Among the elements that will be considered for the award of scholarships are the following aspects:

- The geographical distribution of the candidates, taking into account the most important needs of the Member States, according to the Human Development Index reported by the United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
- ✓ Academic profile, merit, and academic credentials
- ✓ The potential impact of the applicant on the completion of the study program
- ✓ Gender distribution

#### **STEP 4** Publication of OAS-MIU Results

The applicant must await the publication of the results of the evaluation and selection process of the candidates, which will be announced on <u>www.oas.org/scholarships</u> in **December**, **2020**.

#### **STEP 5** Scholarship acceptance process and start of classes

- Only the selected candidates will be contacted by MIU through email, where they will receive the scholarship offer and the instructions to accept it.
- Once the candidate has accepted the scholarship offer, the fellow must initiate the corresponding payment procedures with MIU.

#### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

For guidance on the program admission process, please contact:

**MIU Admissions** 

- C Telephone: (+1) (786) 706-5695
- 🖂 E-mail: admissions@miuniversity.edu
- Miuniversity

### **EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP**

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

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS40% of the remaining tuition cost, 
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To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, an applicant must:

- Provide an unconditional admission letter to the Marconi International University.
  - This scholarship opportunity is open to new applicants as well as current students at MIU who are from an OAS member state.
- Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents
- > Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any <u>OAS member state</u>
  - 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.

### **V** 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.

# SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

Selection	MIU and the OAS will select the scholarship awardees, based on the <u>criteria</u> listed above.
Committee	The names of the scholarship awardees will be published in December 2020 at <u>www.oas.org/scholarships</u> .
Notification of selected candidates	MIU 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.

## **V DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP** RECIPIENT:

- ✓ The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/MIU 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 MIU and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at MIU.
- ✓ Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees."
- ✓ To retain the scholarship, Scholarship recipients should not have low academic performance (GPA must be at least equivalent to 2.0/4.0), 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 majeure, the OAS and MIU 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 MIU could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

# SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to <u>scholarships@oas.org</u> with the subject "OAS - MIU Scholarship Program"



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