



## CALL FOR 2023 OAS-THE UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE, SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, in the United States have decided to support outstanding individuals from the Americas by awarding the following academic scholarships to continue their studies.

### SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

<b>ACADEMIC PROGRAMS:</b>	Undergraduate programs, excluding Nursing, Music, and Architecture <a href="https://admissions.utk.edu/study/programs-and-majors/">https://admissions.utk.edu/study/programs-and-majors/</a>
<b>MODALITY:</b>	Onsite, United States
<b>LANGUAGE:</b>	English
<b>DURATION:</b>	2 - 4 years
<b>APPLICATION DEADLINE:</b>	<b>University admission and scholarship application:</b> <b>Fall 2023: April 30, 2023</b> Open to admitted students from OAS member states, except the United States, starting Fall 2023.
<b>BENEFITS:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, will offer for Undergraduate students: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a reduced tuition rate of USD 20,000 per year for undergraduate students – review the estimated annual cost <a href="#">here</a>.</li> <li>waiver of the application fee for applicants</li> <li>Applicants may also be eligible for UT's out-of-state scholarships, the International Volunteer or International Tennessee Explore Scholarship. Applicants would need to meet the additional scholarship criteria</li> <li>Applicants may apply for competitive scholarships adhering to the application (November 1st) and competitive scholarship deadline dates.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The OAS will provide a one-time supplementary amount of USD 4,000 to support tuition for scholarship recipients</li> </ol>

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

## ABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

The General Secretariat of the OAS (GS/OAS) is the central and permanent organ of the Organization of American States (OAS). Through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), the GS/OAS supports Member States in creating policies and implementing programs that promote the development of human capabilities at all educational levels. By enabling educational opportunities for citizens, DHDEE strengthens democratic values and security within the framework of regional integration. DHDEE does this by: (i) supporting the efforts of OAS member states to improve quality and equity in education; and (ii) helping the citizens of the Americas to develop their full potential by providing them with access to knowledge and skills through training that improves the living standards of individuals, families and communities in the region.

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, is among the top-ranked public universities in the United States. Our 360+ undergraduate programs include top-ranked areas of study such as supply chain management and nuclear engineering. Outside the classroom, students have plenty of opportunities to make friends and memories through on-campus events and more than 400 student organizations. Upon graduation, students join a global network of more than 260,000 alumni ready to make connections and open doors for new graduates. What really makes UT unique is that our students are known as Volunteers. Being a Volunteer is not just a nickname; it is who we are, what we do, and how we do it. Volunteers - whether locally, nationally, or globally - serve and shape communities.

## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

### Fall 2023

- Applicants who wish to begin in Fall 2023, must initiate the admission process to the program supported by this scholarship. For assistance with your application for admission, please write to [intlugadmit@utk.edu](mailto:intlugadmit@utk.edu)
- Before applying for admission, applicants are encouraged to read the program description and ensure that the field of study meets their expectations and interests. Visit the website to review the requirements for admission to the study program.
- Applicants must be admitted to the University of Tennessee to be considered for the OAS- University of Tennessee Scholarship through the university.

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Application for admission to the University of Tennessee, Knoxville
  - To apply for an OAS-University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Scholarship, it is essential to have been admitted to an undergraduate program in at the University.
  - Applicants must follow The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, admission process for the study program.
  - The applicant must submit all supporting documents as required by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, for admission consideration.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

For guidance on the program and the admissions process, please contact the International Recruitment Team:

- **Telephone:** +1 865 974 1111
- **Contact hours:** Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM EST
- **E-mail:** [intlugadmit@utk.edu](mailto:intlugadmit@utk.edu)
- **Website:** <https://admissions.utk.edu/apply/international-students/>

## 2. OAS-University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Scholarship Application

Upon admission to the study program, the applicant will automatically be considered as a candidate for the OAS-University of Tennessee, Knoxville, scholarship.

## 3. Selection of OAS-University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Scholarship Recipients

The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and the OAS will form a specialized committee to select the scholarship recipients. The elements that will be considered in awarding the scholarships include the following aspects:

- Geographic 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
- Applicant's potential impact on the completion of the study program
- Gender distribution

## 4. Scholarship Acceptance Process

- Only selected applicants will be contacted by OAS via email, where they will receive the scholarship offer and instructions for acceptance.
- Once the candidate has accepted the scholarship offer, the scholarship recipient must contact the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, for next steps in the process.

## 5. Publication of OAS-University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Scholarship Results

The publication of the results of the selected candidates will be made available at [www.oas.org/scholarships](http://www.oas.org/scholarships) by **May 2023**. OAS will contact selected applicants by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for acceptance of the scholarship. Unsuccessful applicants will not be contacted.

## EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP

Expenses not covered by this scholarship, falling under the sole responsibility of the scholarship recipients, are as follows:

- a) remaining tuition cost,
- b) application fees,
- c) housing costs,
- d) meal plans,
- e) round trip airfare,
- f) health insurance fees,
- g) books and study materials,
- h) orientation fees, and
- i) any additional charges not expressly covered by the OAS-UT PAEC Scholarship.

Applicants can also apply for the [Rowe Fund](#), which is an educational loan program of the OAS that helps citizens from Latin America and the Caribbean to finance their studies in accredited universities across the United States by awarding **interest-free loans** of up to US\$15,000 dollars.

- ✓ We are excited to share with you [The Financial Aid Guide for Studies in the U.S.](#) This booklet features a useful listing of financial aid opportunities sorted by country of residence. Check out the listing of scholarships, grants, fellowships and loans, collected by the [Rowe Fund](#) program of the Organization of American States. For over seventy years, the Rowe Fund has granted interest-free student loans for university studies in the U.S. to supplement other sources of financing.
- ✓ Given the steady increase in the cost of higher education, international students require a combination of strategies to finance their U.S. studies. We trust this Financial Aid [Guide](#) for U.S. studies is a good start of your search for funding.

## ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, the applicant must:

- Be admitted to an undergraduate program by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- This scholarship opportunity is open to new applicants as well as current University of Tennessee, Knoxville, students from an OAS member state, except the United States.
- Be a citizen or legal resident of any of the [OAS Member States](#):
- Applicants from **Argentina** must complete the following form: <http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/PAEC/2018/NOTA-SOLICITUD-DGCIN-2017.doc> and submit it to the [National Liaison Office](#) (ONE) in Argentina.

The following applicants are **not** eligible:

- Current OAS Scholarship recipients and citizens and/or permanent residents of the United States.
- GS/OAS staff and their immediate family members or GS/OAS consultants.
- Permanent OAS staff members and their immediate family members.

## DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

1. The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected scholarship recipients have signed an OAS/University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Acceptance Form, in which the recipients formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
2. Refrain from engaging in activities that are incompatible with their status as an OAS Scholarship recipient, in accordance with the rules set forth in this Acceptance Form.
3. Comply with all academic guidelines and admission requirements requested by the University of Tennessee, Knoxville and submit to any updates to those guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities of the University of Tennessee, Knoxville.
4. Comply with the provisions of the "Financial Responsibilities of Awardees".
5. In order to retain the scholarship, scholarship recipients must not be reported with poor academic performance (GPA must be equivalent to 3.0/4.0 at least), due to absences from the program and/or failing courses.
6. The scholarship recipient may decline the scholarship prior to the program start date without financial penalty. However, if the scholarship is declined after that date without proof of force majeure, the OAS and the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, may require the scholarship recipient to repay all funds awarded under the scholarship at the time the relinquishment is processed.
7. Commitment to remain in their sponsoring country or legal residence in one of the OAS Member States, or in an international organization, for the duration of the scholarship. If this commitment is not fulfilled, the GS/OAS and/or the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, may request reimbursement of the full amount of the scholarship awarded.

## SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions regarding this scholarship opportunity should be sent to [scholarships@oas.org](mailto:scholarships@oas.org) under the title "OAS-the University of Tennessee, Knoxville Scholarship Program", or to University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Admissions Team at [intlugadmit@utk.edu](mailto:intlugadmit@utk.edu)

## FOR MORE INFORMATION



[www.oas.org/scholarships](http://www.oas.org/scholarships)



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