

CALL FOR 2024 OAS-STILLMAN COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) and the Stillman College 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

PROGRAMS:	All Programs
MODALITY / COUNTRY:	Onsite in Alabama, United States
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	Four-year bachelor's degree programs The Programs' start and end dates vary by academic year
CALENDAR:	Deadline for University Admission application and Scholarship Consideration: Fall Semester: May 30, 2024
SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS:	✓ 50% tuition waiver from Stillman College. With tuition waiver, the current tuition is estimated at \$4,774 per academic year and does not include mandatory fees and other cost of living expenses.

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.

Stillman College is a liberal arts college that was founded by the Presbyterian Church USA in Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1876. The current enrollment is under 1,000 students, which provides a unique learning environment of small class sizes and a nurturing faculty who are personally committed to students' success. Extracurricular activities include Division I NAIA Athletics (Basketball, Baseball, Softball, & Track), a Marching Show Band, and the renowned Stillman College Choir. Located on a 105-acre gated campus, Stillman provides a safe and supportive environment with student housing and meals conveniently located and a Stillman operated Campus Police on duty 24 hours per day and 7-days per week. Located a short distance from the University of Alabama (UA), Stillman and UA students have access to classes at UA and Stillman at no additional tuition charge, providing the best of both worlds; exposure to a research intensive campus of 37,000 and a small close-knit liberal arts campus. Stillman was voted one of 15 Most Wired Campuses, by US News & World Report.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND INITIATIVES

- ➤ Stillman is a College of Distinction and a Top College for 2019-2020 based on it's Academic Programs in Business and Education and for Career Development.
- ➤ The First-Year Experience and College-Wide research make Stillman stand above other peer institutions.
- ➤ All students participate in Community Service activities and are eligible for Study Abroad programs.
- ➤ Partnerships with leading graduate programs in the Biomedical Sciences provide paid Summer Internship activities for STEM majors.
- > Stillman's Honda Quiz Bowl team has competed in the National Championship at Honda Headquarters in Los Angeles for 25 years.
- As a member of the UNCF, additional scholarship opportunities are available; and apprenticeships and internships are also available during the academic year, to enhance professional development activities to enable graduates' competitiveness for careers and graduate & professional programs (Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Cyber, etc.).

▼ TESTIMONIALS FROM CURRENT STUDENTS

> Student and Faculty testimonials, videos, and campus photographs can be found on the Stillman College website: www.Stillman.edu and the Colleges of Distinction website: https://collegesofdistinction.com/school/stillman-college/

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

Fall 2024

- Applicants who wish to begin in Fall 2024, must initiate the admission process to the program supported by this scholarship. https://stillman2023.liaisoncas.com/applicant-ux/#/login
- 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 Stillman College to be considered for the OAS-Stillman Scholarship through the College.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

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

CONTACT INFORMATION

For guidance on the program and the admissions process, please contact Kenneth Wilson

Stillman College

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Website: Stillman College | Spring 2021-2022 Application is now Open | Apply

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2. OAS-Stillman College Scholarship Application

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

3. Selection of OAS-Stillman College Scholarship Recipients

The Stillman College and the OAS 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 Stillman College for next steps in the process.

5. Publication of OAS-Stillman College Scholarship Results

The publication of the results of the selected candidates will be made available at www.oas.org/scholarships by **June 2024.** 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-Stillman PAEC Scholarship.
- ✓ Please note that the cost of tuition and fees is expected to increase each year.
- ✓ Students should be prepared to pay their bill in full at the time of registration.
- ✓ Payment plans are not available for international students.
- ✓ Students should be prepared to pay their financial commitment in full upon arrival at the campus. Refunds will be issued for any overpayment.
- ✓ Applicants can also apply for the <u>Rowe Fund</u>, 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 <u>The Financial Aid Guide for Studies in the U.S</u>. 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 <u>Rowe Fund</u> 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.
 - o 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 <u>Guide</u> 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 Stillman College
- This scholarship opportunity is open to new applicants as well as current Stillman College students from an OAS member state, except the United States.
- Be a citizen or legal resident of any of the <u>OAS Member States</u>: except the United 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

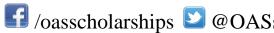
- 1. The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected scholarship recipients have signed an OAS/Stillman College Acceptance Form, in which the recipients formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- 2. Refrain from engaging in activities that are incompatible 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 Stillman College and submit to any updates to those guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities of the Stillman College.
- 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 Stillman College, 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 Stillman College 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 under the title "OAS-Stillman College Scholarship Program", or to Stillman College at financialaid@stillman.edu.

FOR MORE INFORMATION





Note: The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) reserves the right to cancel this scholarship announcement at any time during the process. The GS/OAS and its staff will not be responsible for any action that derives from the information in this announcement.