Rotary International District 5770 Global Grant Scholarship

**SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT**

**To be completed only if selected as a District Rotary Foundation Global Grant Scholar**

I accept the scholarship granted by Rotary District 5770 for study during the pre-determined academic years of 2022-2023. I acknowledge that Rotary District 5770 has agreed to provide me a scholarship as described below. In accepting this scholarship, I understand and agree that:

* 1. I have read the Terms and Conditions for Rotary Foundation District and Global Grants

(<https://my.rotary.org/en/document/terms-and-conditions-rotary-foundation-district-grants-and-global-grants>) and will adhere to all policies that apply to scholarships and the proper use of the funds awarded.

* 1. I am not: (1) a Rotarian; (2) an employee of a club, district, or other Rotary entity, or of Rotary International; (3) the spouse, lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood or stepchild, legally adopted or not), the spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of any person in the foregoing two categories.

* 1. My scholarship is provided for direct enrollment at the approved study institution, and award funding is intended to defray my expenses only during my scholarship period, as approved by District 5770. My award funding, either directly or indirectly, will cover no other person’s expenses.

* 1. Depending on tax laws in my home and host countries, the scholarship may be taxable to me in part or in full, and I acknowledge that I am solely responsible for investigating and paying all local, state and/or federal taxes that pertain to the funding of my scholarship, or otherwise result from residency in my home country.

* 1. I will live in the immediate vicinity of my approved study institution and in my host district, so that I can participate in the Rotary club and district activities of my host district.

* 1. Deferral or postponement of studies after the scholarship study period has begun will not be considered or approved.

* 1. The duration of this scholarship is for consecutive terms within the approved scholarship period at the study institution; this scholarship is only for the graduate level (or equivalent) program(s) approved by Rotary District 5770, and under no circumstances will this scholarship be extended beyond the approved time period.

* 1. I will be responsible for arranging travel to and from the study institution and will follow all travel policies listed in the Terms and Conditions.

* 1. I will keep my international and host sponsors and my District 5770 Rotary Foundation Scholarships Chair advised of my current mailing address, phone number, and email address before, during and after my study period.

* 1. I will participate in mandatory pre-departure orientation activities offered by the sponsoring Rotary club or Rotary District 5770, and club and district activities during the term of my scholarship, as requested by my sponsors.

* 1. I will submit progress reports to my District 5770 Rotary Foundation Scholarships Chair every 6 months for the term of my scholarship, including a final report one month before completion of my scholarship period. I will send copies of my reports to my sponsoring and host Rotary clubs.

* 1. I will exercise good judgment in expressing opinions regarding controversial, political, racial, or religious issues so as to avoid offending others. In addition, I will abide by the local laws of my host country.

* 1. Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5770, the sponsoring club, my approved study institution, and any Rotary district, club, or individual Rotarian are not responsible for enabling me to pursue my studies beyond my scholarship period. If I choose to pursue further studies, all expenses will be my responsibility.

* 1. I will refrain from engaging in dangerous activities for the entirety of the scholarship period. I further confirm that I understand and agree to the following:
     + I am solely responsible for my actions and property while participating in, and traveling to and from, grant activities and/or scholarship activities.
     + While participating in this scholarship, I may be involved in some dangerous activity including exposure to disease, injury, sickness, inadequate and unsafe public infrastructure, unsafe transportation, hazardous work conditions, strenuous physical activity, inclement weather, political unrest, cultural misunderstandings, issues resulting from noncompliance with local laws, physical injury or harm, and crime and fraud. I understand these risks and assume all risks involved with this scholarship and agree to indemnify and hold harmless Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770 from any and all damages or injuries that may result from the above.
     + I do hereby release Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770 from any liability, responsibility, and obligation, either financial or otherwise, beyond providing the grant.
     + I shall be solely responsible for any and all costs and damages for any illness, injury, or other loss (including loss of consortium and emotional loss) incurred or suffered participating in, traveling to or from the grant activity, or otherwise related to the provision of the grant.

1. Scholars who engage in any type of medical practice or activity, including but not limited to routine medical procedures, surgical procedures, dental practice, and contact with infectious diseases are reminded they are solely responsible (including providing for adequate insurance) for any and all liability that may arise from their participation in this activity and hold harmless Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5770, and the sponsoring club.

1. **I do hereby release Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770, my sponsoring club, host club, host district, and their members and associates from any liability, responsibility, and obligation, either financial or otherwise, beyond providing the scholarship, and am responsible for all costs not covered by the scholarship. I do hereby agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5770, and my sponsoring club from and against all claims (including, without limitation, claims for bodily injury or property damage), demands, actions, damages, losses, costs, liabilities, fines, expenses (including reasonable attorney’s fees and other legal expenses), awards and judgments asserted against or recovered from Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5770, and the sponsoring club arising out of any act, conduct, omission, negligence, misconduct, unlawful acts, or violations of any of the terms and conditions that apply to this scholarship. The foregoing includes, without limitation, injury or damage to the person or property of Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5770, the sponsoring club or any third party, whether or not subject to any policy of insurance.**

1. If I, because of serious illness or injury, am unable to complete the terms of this Agreement and must return home, Rotary District 5770 shall not pay for transportation home. Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770 shall not assume any additional costs including the cost of any medical care or treatment, now or in the future.

1. All matters concerning transportation arrangements, language training, insurance, housing, passports, visas, inoculations, and financial readiness are my personal responsibility and not that of any individual Rotarian, Rotary club or district, Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, or Rotary District 5770.

1. I will abide by all Rotary District 5770 decisions related to travel safety. Therefore, if Rotary District 5770 determines, in its sole discretion, at any point in the scholarship period, that my safety in the country where I am studying could be or is at risk, Rotary District 5770 may require that I return home immediately. In such instances, I agree further to abide by Rotary District 5770’s decision as to the subsequent availability of my scholarship.

1. Any actions of mine that result in the following situations will be properly construed as sufficient grounds for revocation of my scholarship: (a) failure to complete all pre-departure requirements in a timely manner; (b) failure to keep my sponsoring club and district advised of my current mailing address, telephone number, and e-mail address at all times; (c) failure to maintain good academic standing pursuant to university standards throughout the scholarship period; (d) evidence of misconduct; (e) failure to submit reports on time; (f) change in course of study or program without the written consent of Rotary District 5770; (g) withdrawal from the institution or course of study or program of training prior to the expiration of the term of the award; (h) failure to remain in the approved host district for the duration of the scholarship award; (i) deficient knowledge of the local language in the country of study; (j) failure to adequately fulfill the terms and conditions of this agreement, or other Rotary District 5770 policies; and (k) any contingency preventing me from fulfilling all the obligations of the scholarship. My host or international district(s) may also request that my scholarship be revoked on any of the above grounds.

1. If I terminate my scholarship, or if my scholarship is terminated by Rotary District 5770, I forfeit all rights to any additional Rotary District 5770 funding and will return any unused portion of my award.

1. I will promptly return any unused grant funds to my sponsoring club and/or Rotary District 5770.

1. Rotary District 5770 is permitted to share my name and contact details with other scholars and Rotary districts upon request. Unless I indicate otherwise in writing, by submission of any photos in connection with my report(s), I hereby give publication rights to Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770 for promotional purposes to further the Object of Rotary, including but not limited to Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770 publications, advertisements, and Web sites. I also authorize Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, and Rotary District 5770 to share photos from my final report with Rotary entities for promotional purposes to further the Object of Rotary.

The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern all matters arising out of or relating to this Agreement, including, without limitation, its interpretation, construction, performance, and enforcement. Any legal action brought by either Party against the other Party arising out of or relating to this Agreement must be brought in either the Circuit Court of Cook County, State of Illinois or the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Illinois. Each Party consents to the exclusive jurisdiction of these courts, and their respective appellate courts for the purpose of such actions. Nothing herein prohibits a party that obtains a judgment in either of the designated courts from enforcing the judgment in any other court.

Please confirm the following:

I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions of the Rotary Foundation District Grants and Global Grants and the above terms of agreement associated with my participation in this scholarship.

I meet the medical requirements for international travel and all grant activities during the scholarship period.

I understand that Rotary International, Rotary District 5770, and the sponsoring club do not provide any type of insurance to scholars.

I release Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary District 5770, and the sponsoring club from any and all liability regarding my involvement in this grant.

Name (please print):

Signature (mandatory):

Date: