



**District 6290**  
**GLOBAL SCHOLAR PROGRAM**  
PROGRAM INFORMATION

Background

Global Scholarships fund graduate-level coursework or research for one to four academic years. **A key feature of the scholarship is the partnership between the district or club in the *study* location (host sponsor) and the district and club in the scholar’s *home* country (international sponsor).**

Global Scholarships have taken place since 1947 funding university studies for more than 30,000 students in over 100 countries. The Scholarships are highly competitive and more dependent on achievement and promoting the ideals of Rotary versus based on financial needs. Scholarships include a Service Project in addition to the academic course load (see instructions on page 2).

In the past 10 years, Rotary District 6290 has supported seven graduate students, each of whom have received a total of about \$30,000 per year to successfully complete their programs. In this time, a total of \$376,712 in scholarships have been awarded.

A Global Scholar candidate demonstrates:

- Excellent leadership skills and potential
- A proven record of success in his/her academic field or vocation
- A commitment to community service
- Well-defined and realistic goals
- Concrete ideas for advancing within his/her chosen field
- Sincerity about maintaining a lifelong relationship with Rotary after the scholarship period
- Willingness and commitment to be involved with the host sponsor club in their host location

The Application Process

1. The prospective candidate will apprise the Global Scholar chair by email ([rachel@greatlakescfa.org](mailto:rachel@greatlakescfa.org)) of his/her intent to apply.
2. The prospective candidate will meet virtually with 1-2 District 6290 committee members before being invited to proceed.
3. The prospective candidate will move into the Stage One Process.
4. **STAGE ONE – “PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATE:”** Prospective candidates who’ve been invited to proceed will submit this **Preliminary Application**. Interviews with the Global Scholarship committee will follow. Based on the results of the interview and review of the preliminary application and Service Project Concept, the prospective candidate may have his/her application move on to the Rotary District Foundation Committee for approval. To be considered for STAGE TWO, you must also submit your Resume and 2 Letters of Recommendation with this document. ***Preliminary Applications are due Monday, January 19, 2026.***