

Rotary District 5790

2021-2022 Global Grant Scholarships

Rotary District 5790 GG Scholarships will be used to fund one or more years of **post-baccalaureate** study at a recognized university in a non-U.S. country in a study discipline that supports the Object of Rotary and the Mission of The Rotary Foundation (see www.rotary.org). Applicants cannot be Rotarians nor be directly related to a Rotarian. We will be awarding two \$40,000 Scholarships (minimum) again this year, *for the 2021-2022 academic year*. Sponsoring RCs will contribute \$1,000 (minimum) in TRF funds, plus the TRF's 5% administrative fee on cash contributions to grants; D-5790 will contribute \$19,500 in DDF.

Applicants' planned studies must:

Lead to sustainable, high-impact outcomes in one of the following six Areas of Focus:

- (a) Peacebuilding and conflict prevention;
- (b) Disease prevention and treatment;
- (c) Water, sanitation and hygiene;
- (d) Maternal and child health;
- (e) Basic education and literacy; and/or
- (f) Community economic development

Timeline:

1. Clubs should identify viable scholar candidates at the beginning of the Rotary year, if not earlier.
2. Applicants must submit their application and all supplementary sheets, completed in full, to a Rotary club in District 5790. The 2021/2022 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship form is available online on the D-5790 website (www.rotary5790.org)
3. Clubs should interview and select their one candidate by mid-October and send (preferable electronically) all required documents to the District Global Grant Scholarships Chair no later than October 31, 2020. Applicants should not forward this application to The Rotary Foundation or to Rotary International at this time.
4. District interviews will be held only on November 7, 2020.
5. After successful candidates and their sponsoring RCs are notified, they must immediately complete the document preparation on www.matchinggrants.org and then begin to complete the Rotary Foundation Global Grant application available online at www.rotary.org. Since these are *grants*, clubs must establish a working relationship with a host sponsor RC or district in the district where the scholars' educational institution is located.
6. The candidates and their sponsoring clubs should register for and prepare to attend the GSETS orientation program on Saturday, Jan. 9, 2021 in Houston, TX 77079. Contact: Rebekah Maxwell: rebekah.d.maxwell@gmail.com C: 409-658-8089.
7. Note that the Global Grant application will not be approved by TRF until the scholars have been accepted by their educational institutions and that *the district scholarship awardees are not to be considered Rotary District 5790 Scholars until The Rotary Foundation has approved their Global Grant application and all authorizations and required information have been submitted to and have been accepted by The Rotary Foundation*.

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Overview (From the Global Grant Scholarship Supplement, available at Rotary.org) or specifically: (<https://my.rotary.org/en/document/global-grant-scholarship-supplement>)

Global Grant scholarships fund graduate-level coursework or research for one to four academic years. A key feature of global grants is the partnership between the district or club in the study location (Host Sponsor) and the district or club in the scholar's home country (International Sponsor). Both sponsors must be "qualified", including having attended their district's Grant Management Training Seminar and having completed the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) this Rotary year, before they can submit an application. (<https://my.rotary.org/en/take-action/apply-grants/qualification>)

Finding and Interviewing Candidates

Global Grant scholars plan to pursue a career in an area of focus, and their graduate-level educational goals should support this career interest. Pursuing a career in an area of focus means the scholar has a long-term commitment to measurable, sustainable change. Be sure that a candidate's previous work or volunteer experience, academic program, and career plans are strongly aligned with one of the six areas of focus.

Consider working with colleges and universities in your area to identify potential scholars (for example, outstanding graduates of a water engineering program who are seeking funding for graduate study in that field). Universities also can direct Rotary clubs to students who have been accepted into their graduate programs that are relevant to a particular area of focus.

Beyond confirming a candidate's eligibility, the interview enables you to determine whether he or she has:

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

Provide the candidate with a copy of the grant terms and conditions and the areas of focus policy statements, and be sure that he or she understands them. If you are uncertain about a candidate's eligibility, contact your regional grants officer.

BEST PRACTICE

- Incorporate the questions from the scholar profile section of the online application into your application and interview process. For your reference, these questions can be found in the Grant Management Manual (<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/grant-management-manual>)

Terms and Conditions

For complete, up-to-date information on what TRF will and will not fund, eligibility requirements, restrictions, travel policies and a whole lot more on all grants, please go to the following link: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/terms-and-conditions-rotary-foundation-district-grants-and-global-grants-grants-awarded>