ROTARY GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP

Dear Scholar Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Rotary International District 5170 Rotary Global Scholarship Program. A $30,000 Rotary Global Grant Scholarship will be awarded in the 2024-2025 school year for graduate-level coursework-research outside of the United States.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is the advancement of world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

As part of that mission, The Rotary Foundation, a not-for-profit organization, through Rotary International’s Member Rotary Clubs, has maintained one of the largest and lucrative scholarship programs of its kind since 1947. The candidates must comply with the rules of The Rotary Foundation as to eligibility.

We are looking for scholars who are focusing their careers in one of Rotary Foundation’s Seven Areas of Focus: 1) Peace and Conflict Resolution, 2) Disease Prevention and Treatment, 3) Water and Sanitation, 4) Maternal and Child Health, 5) Basic Education and Literacy, 6) Economic and Community Development, and 7) Supporting the Environment. The scholar’s interest in and course of study is directed toward fulfilling the mission of The Rotary Foundation and lends itself to the Rotary International credo, which is “Service Above Self,” and fostering international understanding and relations among people of different nations.

Before applying for your scholarship, please consider the following guidelines and requirements:

1. The scholarship is awarded in 2024-2025 school year. The scholar should have been accepted by the study institution outside of the United States at the time of the interview (April 2024). Appropriate adjustments of deadline would be made for scholars whose admission deadline is different from the norm.
2. Rotarians and their immediate family members are NOT eligible to apply.
3. We require that you utilize the funds and make both an interim and a final report of your use of the funds and your scholarship activities.
4. Your scholarship will be funded in two installments – 50% at the time your scholarship is approved and 50% at the end of the first term.
5. You must provide an interim report, including copies of receipts for your expenses to date, by January 31, 2025 or after the first half of your school year. You may complete and provide it sooner, if appropriate. Your second scholarship installment will be funded upon the timely receipt of this interim report. If you do not report in a timely fashion, the second installment of your scholarship may be cancelled.
6. You must also provide a final report, including copies of receipts for your expenses no later than June 30, 2025. Again, you may do so earlier, if you wish.
7. Failure to complete an acceptable interim or final report by the dates specified in #4 and #5 above could result in us requesting that you return part or all of the grant funds to District 5170. We will provide the appropriate forms to make the reporting task easier.

8. We prefer that your course of study involve some type of humanitarian emphasis, i.e., the Seven Areas of Focus of Rotary Foundation. If the scholarship funds are to be used to conduct a humanitarian project in connection with your course of study, please describe the project in your application and include the costs of conducting the project in your proposed budget.

9. Rotary Foundation Global Grants are not to be used for personal travel, other than travel to or from the institution of study or the humanitarian project. Travel and related expenses will be closely scrutinized by the scholarship committee to determine that they are necessary.

10. Grant funds may not be used in any way to support active military efforts in any humanitarian project.

11. Key Dates:

   March 1, 2024  Deadline to submit applications to your local Rotary Clubs.
   March 10, 2024 Clubs’ sponsored applications sent to Committee for review.
   April 6, 2024  Selected candidates to be interviewed*
   May 1, 2024   Deadline to submit Global Grant application with Rotary Foundation.
   August 1, 2024 Required orientation for successful scholars
   January 31, 2025 Interim Report due.
   June 30, 2025  Final report due.

   *Location of the interview is to be determined and announced.

12. In addition to the above, you must make a personal visit to at least five Rotary Clubs in your country of study outside the United States during the term of your scholarship, as well as five clubs within District 5170. The District 5170 visits can take place any time after your scholar year.

13. Scholarship applications submitted after March 1, 2024, will not be considered for funding.

14. As a condition of accepting your scholarship funds, you will be asked to sign an agreement which entails the requirements set forth herein and details your responsibilities to Rotary International and Rotary District 5170.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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