



## GLOBAL GRANT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR 2026-2027 MATRICULATION

### About the Program

The Rotary District 6270 Global Grant Scholarship program provides a U.S. \$30,000 scholarship award for graduate studies outside the USA. Scholars must commence studies in 2025 through June 30, 2026, and typically expend the scholarship funds within 12 months of starting studies.

Eligible applicants will have a demonstrated record of high academic achievement and a reasonable level of proficiency in the language of the region of study.

### Required Areas of Focus

The Rotary Foundation's funded programs focus on specific areas where they will have the greatest impact by addressing priority world needs that are presently most relevant to Rotarians.

To be eligible for a Rotary District 6270 Global Grant Scholarship, you must have a background, intended graduate studies, and future career plans which align closely with at least one of the following focus areas:



### Timeline for Application Submission and Review

- February 15, 2026 – Complete Application Deadline (submit online only)
- On or After February 28, 2026 - In-Person or Zoom Interviews scheduled.
- March 15, 2026 – Successful Scholar Notified (matriculation for 2026-2027 academic year.)

**District 6270 will not, in any circumstance, review incomplete applications.**

Direct Questions or Inquiries to:

District 6270 Scholarships Chair

Jim Padilla (Member of Founders Rotary Club of Racine)

Email: [scholarshipchair@rotary6270.org](mailto:scholarshipchair@rotary6270.org) or [jpadilla43@live.com](mailto:jpadilla43@live.com)

Phone: 312-735-6744

## General Qualifications

Please review each statement below and check ALL that apply.

- I have (1) previous work experience, volunteer experience and/or education; (2) intended graduate degree studies; AND (3) future career plans, that are related to one of the Seven Areas of Focus established by Rotary International. For further guidance, download [RI Areas of Focus Policy Statements](#)
- I plan to enroll in a graduate level program outside the United States, commencing in 2026 through June 30, 2027, and anticipate expending the scholarship funds within 12 months of starting studies.
- My study institution is in a geographic area that has a Rotary presence outside the United States. There are over 1.4 million Rotary members and 46,000 Rotary and Rotaract clubs within 530 Rotary districts around the world. Despite this extensive reach, there are some parts of the world that do not have a formal Rotary/Rotaract presence due to security, safety, or other issues. The RI District 6270 Scholarships Committee can assist, if necessary, in making contacts.
- I am NOT (1) a Rotarian; (2) an employee of a club, district, or other Rotary entity, or of Rotary International; (3) the spouse, a 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 who has been in the foregoing two categories within the past three years.
- I currently work in, attend school in, or am a resident of District 6270. For further guidance, [click here](#).
- I have, or will have, sufficient funds to cover any expenses throughout my scholarship time that exceed US \$30,000.
- I will complete an orientation and work with a designated Scholar Mentor to prepare for my program before traveling.
- I will endeavor to participate in a humanitarian project sponsored by the host Rotary club in my study region.
- Throughout my scholarship time, I will report my experiences no less than weekly on an Internet blog.
- I will complete all required reports during and after my scholarship time.
- I will make a presentation about my scholarship experience to at least two Rotary clubs within one year after the completion of my scholarship program.
- If I return to District 6270 after my scholarship, I will support future programs by serving on the Rotary District 6270 Scholarships Committee as a non-voting member for at least one year.

**If you did not check ALL items above, you are not eligible for the Rotary District 6270 Global Grant Scholarship.**

# APPLICANT PROFILE

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

Citizenship: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ (DD-MM-YYYY)

Gender:  Male  Female

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street address or P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## ROTARIAN CONTACT (IF YOU HAVE ONE)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary club: \_\_\_\_\_

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

List all the languages you speak, including your native language:

Language	Written Proficiency	Spoken Proficiency

## EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Family name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street address or P.O. Box: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Secondary telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## PRIOR EDUCATION

List the two educational institutions you have most recently attended.

Most recently attended:

Name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree received: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Previously attended:

Name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree received: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of study: \_\_\_\_\_

Field of study: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

## SUMMARY AND OBJECTIVES

In 2-3 short sentences, describe your objectives for this scholarship (program of study/degree sought, Rotary Area of Focus, etc.).

Who will benefit from this Global Grant Scholarship (you, certain Rotary clubs, beneficiaries of service projects, etc.)?

In 200 words or less, please summarize your qualifications to receive this scholarship (volunteer/work/academic experience, philosophy and perspective, etc.).

## AREAS OF FOCUS

What is your area of focus?

- Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
- Disease Prevention and Treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
- Economic and Community Development
- Supporting the Environment

Which goals of your selected Area of Focus will your scholarship activities support? Refer to the [RI Areas of Focus Policy Statements](#) for more information.

How will you meet these goals?

## SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Provide the following information about the academic program you plan to attend.

This is your FIRST-CHOICE academic program:

Name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Language of region: \_\_\_\_\_

Language of instruction: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic program: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic program start date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Academic program end date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Planned departure date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Planned return date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Provide the following information about the academic program you plan to attend.

This is your SECOND-CHOICE academic program:

Name of institution: \_\_\_\_\_

City/Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Language of region: \_\_\_\_\_

Language of instruction: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic program: \_\_\_\_\_

Academic program start date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Academic program end date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Planned departure date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

Planned return date: \_\_\_\_\_ DD-MM-YYYY

List the classes you plan to take and provide any relevant links to information about the program.  
Explain how the program and courses align with Rotary's goals in the selected area of focus and your future career plans.

First Choice:

Second Choice:

How does your previous and current educational, professional, and/or volunteer experience align with Rotary's goals in the selected area of focus ? (500 words or less)

What are your professional and/or academic plans immediately after the scholarship period?  
(500 words or less)

How do your long-term professional goals align with Rotary's goals in the selected area of focus?  
(500 words or less)

### BUDGET

Select the local currency for your budget and enter the current rate of exchange to 1 U.S. dollar.

Local currency: \_\_\_\_\_ Exchange rate to 1 USD: \_\_\_\_\_

Detail your proposed expenses. Note that the total budget must be equal to the total financing of your scholarship grant amount. Attach any documents, such as price sheets, bids or estimates, to support the expenses listed.

#	Description	Category	Local cost	Cost in USD
1:	Tuition & fees	Tuition		
2:	Local housing	Accommodations		
3:	Books	Supplies		
4:	Food	Supplies		
5:	Airfare	Travel		
6:	Consular/visa fees	Travel		
7:	Local transportation	Travel		
8:	Health Insurance	Supplies		
9:				
10:				
11:				
12:				
13:				
14:				
15:				
Total budget				

**FINANCING**

The scholarship amount is US\$30,000. You are personally responsible for all expenses in excess of the scholarship amount. Please list and describe your sources and sufficiency of additional funds that will cover the balance of your budget:

If you are pursuing other scholarships concurrently, please provide details below:

Scholarship	Exclusive? (precludes other scholarships?)	Expected Decision Date (DD-MM-YYYY)
	Yes      No	
	Yes      No	
	Yes      No	

## REFERENCES

Please provide names and contact information for three references:

1. Current or former professor familiar with your academic work

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Current or former employer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Your choice

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Describe how you learned about the Rotary District 6270 Global Grant Scholarship

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## **PLEASE EMAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:**

District 6270 Scholarship Chair

Jim Padilla (Member of the Founders Rotary Club of Racine)

Email: [scholarshipchair@rotary6270.org](mailto:scholarshipchair@rotary6270.org) OR [jpadilla43@live.com](mailto:jpadilla43@live.com)

Subject line: "Rotary Global Grant Scholarship – your name"

Phone: 312-735-6744

**Application must be received before midnight (CST) February 15, 2025. District 6270 will not, in any circumstance, review incomplete applications.**

**Thank you for your interest in the Rotary District 6270 Global Grant Scholarship!**

# APPENDIX

If you are selected as a Rotary District 6270 Global Grant Scholar, the District Scholarship Committee will help you with the following requirements which are part of the Global Grant Scholarship application process. You DO NOT need to be concerned about these requirements at present; they are provided so you know what is expected following your selection.

## Rotary Sponsors

The scholarship requires two Rotary sponsors:

**Host Sponsor** – A Rotary club or Rotaract club or Rotary district in the country or geographical area in which you will be studying.

International clubs can be searched here:

<https://www.rotary.org/en/search/club-finder>

**[Host Counselor:** If you are selected as the scholar, the district committee will help you identify a Host Sponsor, who in turn will appoint a Host Counselor.]

**International Sponsor = District 6270** (A club within District 6270 will be assigned as “liaison” to assist the scholar in becoming acquainted with Rotary and preparing logistically for the study program.)