



# **2025 Scholarship Opportunity**

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (GS/OAS) and The University of Northern lowa (UNI) in the United States want to support outstanding individuals from the Americas by awarding the following academic scholarships to continue their studies.

## **SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW**

Program	PAEC OAS-UNI Scholarship Program
Modality	Onsite
Language	English
Duration	+ CIEP English: 8 weeks + Certificate: 1 semester + Graduate: Average is 2 years
Benefits	<ul> <li>+ Unlimited scholarships for the Certificate Programs</li> <li>+ Ten (10) Scholarships for the Graduate Programs</li> <li>+ Twenty (20) scholarships for the CIEP English Program</li> </ul>
Calendar	<ul> <li>+ Announcement Publication: September 6, 2024</li> <li>+ Application Deadline: November 5, 2024 (Graduate), Rolling Deadline (Certificate/CIEP)</li> <li>+ Publication of Results: November 20, 2024</li> <li>+ Start of Study Programs: January 21, 2024</li> </ul>

## **ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

ENGLISH PROGRAMS	Culture and Intensive English Program (CIEP)			
CERTIFICATES	Entrepreneurship, Sustainability			
GRADUATE PROGRAMS	Accounting (MACC), Biology (MS), Business Administration (MBA), Communication and Media (MA). Recreation, Tourism & Leadership (MA), Counseling (MA), Educational Psychology (MAE), English (MA), Geography (MA), Mathematics (MA), Music (MM/MA), Kinesiology & Sports Performance (MA), Postsecondary Education: Student Affairs (MA), Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) and TESOL/Spanish (MA), Technology (MS), Women's & Gender Studies (MA)			

### **DETAILS**

Program	Modality	Language	Duration	Program Start Dates	Financial Aid Provided	Final Tuition (Cost to Student)
Certificates	In Person	English	1 semester	August and January	\$4,500 per semester	<b>\$5,470</b> (with 45% aid from UNI)
Graduate	In Person	English	2 years (Average)	August	\$1,747 per academic year	\$4,030 - \$5,936 (up to 81% aid from UNI)
CIEP (English)	In Person	English	8 weeks	August, October, January, March and June	\$1,375 per session	<b>\$1,375</b> (with 50% aid from UNI)

### **STEPS TO APPLY:**

Complete an application for admission at intladm.uni.edu/apply and submit all supporting documents. Graduate and certificate studies require the submission of academic transcripts, proof of English proficiency, and program-specific requirements. More information on the CIEP application can be found at ciep.uni.edu. All programs require students to submit the Financial Guarantee before receiving immigration documents.

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

University admission and scholarship application priority deadline: Spring 2025: November 5, 2024.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered for the scholarship opportunity:

- Be a new applicant interested in studying the programs identified above
- Be a citizen or legal resident of any OAS Member States, except the United States.
- Be on an F1 student visa.

### **ADDITIONAL BENEFITS:**

In addition to the tuition reduction listed above, OAS students will qualify for a waiver of the application fee, airport pick-up fee, and orientation fee (total waived fees: \$325). OAS students will have access to extracurricular activities, including field trips, social and cultural activities, service learning opportunities, the Conversation Partners program, host families, and community visits, at NO COST.

Applicants can also be considered for other university competitive scholarships beyond those listed below if they apply and qualify.

The OAS will provide a one-time allowance of USD 2,000 to support tuition for selected scholarship recipients. Scholarship benefits are subject to the recipient's academic performance and the availability of funds.

#### **EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY SCHOLARSHIP:**

Expenses not covered by this scholarship, falling under the sole responsibility of the scholarship recipients, are as follows:

- remaining tuition and fee costs
- housing costs
- · meal plans
- round-trip airfare
- health insurance fees
- · books and study materials
- any additional charges not expressly covered by the OAS-UNI PAEC Scholarship

Applicants can also apply for the Rowe Fund, an OAS educational loan program that helps citizens from Latin America and the Caribbean finance their studies in accredited universities across the United States by awarding interest-free loans of up to USD 15,000.

### **ABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS:**

#### **OAS**

The General Secretariat of the OAS (GS/OAS) is the central and permanent organ of the Organization of American States (OAS). Through its Department of Human Development, Education, and Employment (DHDEE), the GS/OAS supports Member States in creating policies and implementing programs that promote the development of human capabilities at all educational levels.

By enabling educational opportunities for citizens, DHDEE strengthens democratic values and security within the framework of regional integration. DHDEE does this by: (i) supporting the efforts of OAS member states to improve quality and equity in education and (ii) helping the citizens of the Americas to develop their full potential by providing them with access to knowledge and skills through training that improves the living standards of individuals, families, and communities in the region.

### **University of Northern Iowa**

The University of Northern Iowa (UNI) is a medium-sized regional public university that was founded as a teacher's college ("normal school") but has grown into a comprehensive university that offers 90 undergraduate and 50 graduate programs. UNI has been recognized as a "Best Business School" with AACSB accreditation and is also known for strong programs in education, natural sciences, social sciences, and the arts and an accredited Culture and Intensive English Program. Almost all UNI students gain experience in the field before they graduate through internships, research, or student club participation. As a result, 96% of UNI students reported being employed or in graduate school within six months of graduating. As a medium-sized university, it has a small-school atmosphere, with only an average of 27 students per class, and is in a friendly university community. The 370-hectare park-like campus features more than 65 major buildings within a 10-minute walking distance of each other and was found to be one of the safest campuses in the U.S.

For all UNI admission questions, please email UNI at **international.admissions@uni.edu**. For any OAS scholarship questions, please email OAS at **scholarships@oas.org** with the subject "OAS University of Northern Iowa Scholarship Program."