

## General Terms and Conditions

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The scholarships are granted for specializations, Master's degrees, doctorates, medical specializations, graduate research, postdoctoral fellowships, undergraduate and graduate mobility programs, artist residencies, high-level conferences, research residencies for Mexican studies, media residencies, and visiting professor programs.

### Applicant Profile

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Preference will be given to candidates that:

- Study topics that are of priority for the development of their country.
- Work in areas that are particularly important for their country's institutional development.
- Apply for graduate programs not available in their country.
- Study or conduct research in institutions located outside of the Mexico City metropolitan area.
- Hold faculty or research positions at public universities or scientific research centers in their country.
- Are public officials in charge of areas or programs of special interest to their country.
- Work on human, social or economic development programs, with marginalized groups or in socially deprived or economically depressed areas.

### Applying for a Scholarship

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Applications for scholarships will be accepted as follows:

- a) Multilateral and bilateral programs: From June 30 to October 14, 2011
- b) Special Programs and graduate research: From January 17 to November 30, 2012

All scholarship applications must be submitted to the Mexican embassy or concurrent embassy in the applicant's country by his/her Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Education and/or by the local government institution designated for this purpose.

The Mexican embassies will accept applications and supporting documentation from **June 30 to October 14, 2011. NO EXTENSIONS WILL BE GRANTED.**

The list of institutions and programs participating in the scholarship program is available at <http://becas.sre.gob.mx/>

### Requirements

- Submit the application on the correct form (form A or B) and prior to the deadline.<sup>1</sup>
- Your government must officially nominate you as required by form A.
- Possess a Bachelor's, Master's or Ph.D. degree, as required by the degree program for which the scholarship is requested.
- **Minimum cumulative grade point average of 8 on a scale of 0 to 10. If a different scale is used, the equivalent on a 10-point scale must be submitted.**
- Must already be accepted by the host Mexican institution.<sup>2</sup>
- **Spanish.** If Spanish is not the applicant's native language, include proof of an advanced level of proficiency in Spanish issued by a university or language center.
- Meet the requirements of the scholarship program. **Incomplete files and original documents will not be accepted.**
- **For mobility scholarships, applicants must submit an acceptance letter from the host institution and a letter from the applicant's institution certifying the academic credits the applicant has received.**
- This scholarship program is not open to residents of Mexico or foreign diplomats accredited in Mexico or their relatives, or individuals holding dual citizenship through naturalization.
- **The Foreign Ministry will not accept original documents, except for medical certificates.**

Each academic program has specific requirements and should be read carefully.

**Note:** Only completed applications that fulfill all of the requirements will be considered. All photocopies must be legalized or have an apostille if so required by the host Mexican institution as a condition of acceptance.

**Note:** IT IS INFORMED THAT THE CANDIDATES FILES THAT ARE NOT BENEFITTES BY THE SCHOLARSHIP, WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

### Scholarship Benefits

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<sup>1</sup> The application forms are available at <http://becas.sre.gob.mx>

<sup>2</sup> Applicants can submit a contact letter from the institution with their scholarship application and continue with the procedures and requirements of the host institution.

- Enrollment fees and tuition, as established by each program.
- A stipend, equivalent to:
  - 1) Four times the current minimum monthly wage in Mexico City for specializations, Master's degrees, research at the Master's degree level, Spanish and Mexican culture courses. Currently, this amount is \$ 7,178.40 pesos.
  - 2) Five times the current minimum monthly wage in Mexico City for doctoral studies and research, postdoctoral fellowships, medical specializations and subspecializations, and expert and artist residencies. This amount is currently equivalent to \$8,973.00 pesos.
- Health insurance from the Mexican Social Security Institute (IMSS), starting in the third month of the scholarship.
- Transportation from Mexico City to the city of the host institution at the beginning of the scholarship and return transportation to Mexico City at the end of the scholarship.

**Any expenses not mentioned above will be paid by the scholarship recipient, as well as any expenses related to transferring academic credits, printing a thesis, fees related to the diploma or certificate, and registration in the National Registry of Foreign Citizens.**

#### **Selection Criteria**

- Academic excellence in the intended area of study
- The intended field of study in Mexico is related to the applicant's academic and job history.
- The area of study is important to and has a direct impact on the development of the applicant's country.
- The applicant's prospects of rejoining the workforce in his/her country at the conclusion of the scholarship.
- Relationship of the course of study to specific current or approved projects, and their degree of impact on the development of the applicant's country.
- The skills acquired will have a specific application.

Candidates that meet all of the requirements will be evaluated by a preselection committee in their home countries.

The final decision on the scholarships is made by the government of Mexico. **IT IS NOT SUBJECT TO APPEAL.**

#### **Scholarship Conditions**

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The results of the scholarship contest will be delivered in writing at the corresponding Mexican embassy.

The scholarships are non-transferable and may not be deferred for use in subsequent academic years.

Scholarships are awarded on a yearly basis for up to:

- 1 year for specializations
- 2 years for Master's degrees
- 3 years for doctorate studies
- 3 years for medical specializations and subspecializations (in conformity with the provisions established by the Health Ministry for this scholarship program)
- One to 12 months for graduate research and postdoctoral fellowships
- One academic term (quarter, trimester or semester) for undergraduate and graduate mobility programs

**UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL THE DURATION OF THE SCHOLARSHIP BE EXTENDED**

The scholarship recipient must finish his/her thesis and take the end-of-course exam within the period covered by the scholarship.

Scholarships are not granted for direct Ph.D. programs (combined M.A. and Ph.D. programs), distance learning or open education.

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