
2013-14 ROTARY DISTRICT 6960 ACADEMIC-YEAR AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Before completing this application, you must check with the local Rotary club to determine whether scholarships are being offered in your area for 2013-14 and to ensure that you can meet local application deadlines. Please note that not all districts offer scholarships every year. *Applications must be made through a local Rotary club.*

Please type (in Roman alphabet, if possible). Do not use initials or abbreviations.

Name in full:

Family Name _____ First, Middle, and Other Names _____

Male Female

Number and Street _____

City/Town _____ State/Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-mail (Web-based preferred. e.g., Hotmail, Yahoo, etc.) _____

Telephone (Alternate) _____

Country of Citizenship _____ Country of Birth _____

Emergency contact:

Name _____ Relationship _____

Address _____

Telephone _____ E-mail _____

Proposed field of study (field of study with a humanitarian impact preferred):

How did you find out about Rotary District 6960 Ambassadorial Scholarships program? If an alumnus/a referred you, please indicate his/her name and program year:

<i>For Office Use Only:</i> D- _____ Project ID # _____ Scholar ID# _____ Comp <input type="checkbox"/> Inc <input type="checkbox"/> _____
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STUDY INSTITUTIONS

Please read carefully before proceeding:

In placing scholars in study institutions worldwide, the Rotary District 6960 Scholarship Committee aims for an equitable geographic distribution. Therefore, *candidates must be flexible with their preferred study institutions*. Applicants are expected to have thoroughly researched these institutions to determine if they offer your program of study and what funds, in addition to the scholarship, would be required to meet costs associated with your studies. Applicants who request and are assigned to an institution where total costs exceed the flat grant amount will be responsible for covering costs beyond that amount.

Restrictions:

- All applicants should list five institutions in at least three countries. All countries listed must contain a Rotary club and cannot be the applicant's sponsor country. Rotary clubs can be found in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. (**Note:** If you are applying for an endowed or named scholarship, the study institutions and countries to which you may seek admission may be limited. Consult your local Rotary club for instructions on listing the institutions to which your scholarship is restricted.)
- List no more than one institution in each city.
- Study fields that limit the applicant to one study institution or country may make it impossible to assign a preferred institution and may result in rejection of the application.
- The scholarship may not be used in conjunction with a "study abroad" program operated by an institution.
- Applicants should not request assignment to an institution where they will already be enrolled before the scholarship year. Scholars will not be assigned to an area of a country where they have previously lived or studied for more than 12 months. Scholars will not be assigned to an institution where the study program will take place in more than one location or more than one country.
- Scholars should plan to begin studies at the start of the academic year of the assigned institution. If you are assigned to an institution located in the Southern Hemisphere, you will be expected to begin your scholarship period in February/March 2014. Studies cannot begin before 1 July 2013.
- **It is the scholar's responsibility to apply directly and gain admission to the assigned study institution and be able to provide evidence of sufficient funding to meet any financial requirements beyond the scholarship amount. It is strongly recommended that scholars apply to their preferred study institutions in accordance with your prospective host institution's admission deadlines as study institution assignments may be made after admission deadlines.**

The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to assign scholars to any institution listed below or another suitable institution. Because the scholarships are not intended to fund continued studies at a particular institution, do not list any study institutions you have attended or will attend before beginning your Rotary scholarship in 2013-14. Information discovered later regarding the amount of time spent studying or living in the same area as the assigned study institution could invalidate the study institution assignment. Applicants are strongly encouraged to list study institutions in regions that do not host many scholars (i.e., low-income countries).

Name of Institution*	Website address	City, State/Province	Country
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			
5.			

**Please type names of institutions as spelled in the native language of the institution (e.g., Universidad Complutense de Madrid, not University of Madrid Complutense).*

LANGUAGE ABILITY FORM

SECTION I – To be completed by the applicant. *(Please type.)*

Complete this form if any of the institutions listed on page 5 are located in countries where the native language is different from your own.

Name of applicant

Rotary club/sponsor Rotarian name and address

I waive do not waive my right to access information in Section II of the Language Ability Form.

Signature of Applicant

1. For what language is this form being completed? English (Please submit TOEFL score with application)
 French German Japanese Spanish Other (please specify) _____
2. Summarize the formal post-secondary level training you have had in this language. Begin with the most recent:

Dates (month and year)	Average hours	Grade	Name of institution
From To	per week	(if applicable)	

3. Summarize the informal training or experience you have had using this language.
4. If granted a scholarship in a country where this language is used, what additional language training will you undertake before departure?
5. Candidates whose native language is not English and who propose to study in an English-speaking country should take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) before submitting this application. A minimum 94 Internet-based or 587 paper-based TOEFL score is required to pass District 6960's English proficiency requirement. However, District 6960 approves the use of funds from the Ambassadorial Scholarship award to cover the expenses of one month of language training in the host country if the candidate obtains a minimum score of 61 Internet-based or 500 paper-based on the TOEFL exam. If you cannot obtain a "TOEFL Bulletin of Information" locally, you may request one by writing to: TOEFL Publications, P.O. Box 6151, Princeton, N.J. 08541-6151, USA, or by going to www.toefl.org.

Applicants who propose to study in a non-English-speaking country will receive specific information about their language test at a later date.

SECTION II – To be completed by language instructor. (Please type.)

1. In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant?

2. Your evaluation is based on Previous class or tutoring Other (please specify)

3. Rate the applicant's present language ability as follows:

	Superior	Good	Fair	Rudimentary
Reading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Writing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comprehension (aural)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Speaking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

4. Please comment on the applicant's ability to carry out a program of study using this language. If the applicant's command of the language is not adequate, what training would you recommend?

Name	Title or Position
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Signature	Date
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Institution

Telephone	Fax	E-mail
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Please return completed evaluation to the Rotary club or sponsor Rotarian listed on the previous page.

5. Please cite specific examples of how the applicant has demonstrated the qualities listed in question 4.

6. Additional comments:

Name	Title or Position	
Signature	Date	
Institution		
Telephone	Fax	E-mail

Please return completed evaluation to the Rotary club or sponsor Rotarian listed on the previous page.

5. Please cite specific examples of how the applicant has demonstrated the qualities listed in question 4.

6. Additional comments:

Name	Title or Position	
Signature	Date	
Institution		
Telephone	Fax	E-mail

Please return completed evaluation to the Rotary club or sponsor Rotarian listed on the previous page.

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby apply for an Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship from Rotary District 6960. I certify that I am eligible to apply, understanding that persons in the following categories are ineligible: (a) a Rotarian or Honorary Rotarian; (b) an employee of a Rotary club or district, of Rotary International, or of another Rotary-affiliated entity; (c) a spouse, a lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood or adopted or not adopted), a spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of any living person in categories (a) or (b); and that Rotarians and their relatives as described above remain ineligible for 36 months after resignation.

If I receive a Rotary District 6960 Ambassadorial Scholarship, I agree:

1. To learn about Rotary International and fulfill the ambassadorial responsibilities outlined on page **1** of this application as part of my mission as a Rotary ambassador of goodwill.
2. To help promote Rotary International wherever possible and to permit Rotary District 6960 to use my name and all photographs and written reports generated through any of my activities related to my scholarship.
3. That I am responsible for gaining admission at my assigned study institution, obtaining required visa(s), making appropriate travel arrangements, and completing all predeparture requirements, and that I must abide by any decisions made by the Scholarship Committee concerning my scholarship.
4. That I am responsible for all costs incurred in completing my predeparture requirements, including any application or visa fees, any required exam fees, securing appropriate insurance coverage, and any applicable taxes.
5. That I am responsible for all costs associated with my spouse or dependents who may accompany me during my scholarship period, and that I will not live with a companion or partner to whom I am not married during my scholarship.
6. That my scholarship studies can begin no earlier than 1 July 2013, and that I will not receive scholarship funding for any studies undertaken before this date. If I am assigned to study at an institution located in the Southern Hemisphere, that I will be expected to begin studies in February/March 2014.
7. That I am expected to embrace Rotary's spirit of volunteerism and engage in volunteer activities from the time of scholarship application, through the term abroad, to a post-award commitment in my local community.
8.
 - That my scholarship will not necessarily enable me to earn a degree, diploma or certificate.
 - That I must advise Rotary District 6960 of any other stipend or grant received during my scholarship year.
 - That the scholarship funding is for only those items currently described on the District 6960 website at a flat grant amount of US\$30,000 or its equivalent. I further understand that I will need to seek alternate sources of funding if I am assigned to an institution where costs exceed this amount.
 - That in case my native language is not that of my assigned study country, I will need to pass a language proficiency exam determined by the District.
9. That requests to defer the scholarship will not be considered under any circumstances.
10. **For Endowed and Named Scholars:** That I will fulfill the additional requirements of endowed and named scholars as communicated to me by my sponsor club and district.
11. That my scholarship may be revoked for any of the following reasons: my inability to secure admission to an institution approved by Rotary District 6960's Scholarship Committee; low level of academic achievement; evidence of misconduct; failure to submit required reports on time; change in study program without consent of the District; withdrawal from institution before expiration of the scholarship term; deficient knowledge of the language of the study country and institution; failure to adequately fulfill ambassadorial duties; failure to attend an outbound orientation seminar; failure to follow the directions of the District Scholarship Committee; failure to provide my sponsor Rotarians, host Rotarians, and the District with my current information including mailing address, telephone numbers, and e-mail address at all times; failure to maintain regular monthly communications with my sponsor Rotarians, host Rotarians, and the District, or any contingency that prevents me from fulfilling all the obligations of the scholarship. I understand the revocation of a scholarship shall cause all payments to cease and may make me liable for the return of payments previously provided.
12. That Rotary International, Rotary District 6960, the study institution, and individual Rotary clubs and Rotarians are in no way liable for a scholar's personal welfare or responsible for enabling a scholar to pursue his or her studies beyond the scholarship period. Rotary International and Rotary District 6960 assume no responsibility or obligation whatsoever beyond providing the amount of the scholarship.

Name of Applicant (please print)

Signature of Applicant

Date

ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT

The Rotary Club of _____
Name

City _____ State/Province _____ Country _____

After consideration of _____ applicants for _____ available scholarships, proposes
(indicate number) (indicate number)

Name of Applicant (please print) _____

For a Rotary District 6960 Academic-Year Scholarship and forwards this application to the appropriate district official, as instructed.

The Rotary club selection committee [] did [] did not interview this candidate.

Each recipient of a Rotary District 6960 Ambassadorial Scholarship is assigned a Rotarian sponsor counselor. The sponsor counselor is a knowledgeable Rotarian who serves as a resource and mentor to the scholar before, during and after the scholarship period.

The club president recommends the following Rotarian as sponsor counselor, should the applicant receive a scholarship:

Name of Sponsor Counselor _____

Number and Street _____

City/Town _____ State/Province _____

Country _____ Postal Code _____

Home Telephone _____ Business Telephone _____

Fax _____ E-mail _____

(Note: If no sponsor counselor is listed, the club president will be designated as the scholar's sponsor counselor.)

Name of Club President (please print) _____

Signature of Club President _____ Date _____

Home Telephone _____ Business Telephone _____

Fax _____ E-Mail _____

The sponsor club president is requested to make a complete photocopy of this application for club records before forwarding the application to the appropriate district official.

DISTRICT ENDORSEMENT

We certify that we have explained the following to the candidate:

1. That Rotary District 6960 places equal priority on selecting outstanding scholars to act as ambassadors of goodwill as well as scholars who will carry out their academic studies with distinction.
2. That the final decision and assignment to a study institution and country rests with the Scholarship Committee. As the sponsor district, we endorse assignment to any of the preferences listed by the scholar or any other institution deemed suitable by the Scholarship Committee.
3. Each scholar's obligations to the sponsor and host districts before, during and after the scholarship.
4. That he/she is responsible for securing admission to the assigned study institution.
5. That he/she is required to attend any orientation seminar organized by the sponsor and host Rotary districts, when offered, and that failure to attend may result in forfeiture of the award if a valid reason is not offered. Also, that the seminar will provide training on how to develop and make speeches and presentations.
6. That he/she is expected to embrace Rotary's spirit of Volunteerism and engage in volunteer activities from the time of scholarship application, through the term abroad, to a post-award commitment in his/her local community.
7. That requests to defer the scholarship will not be considered under any circumstances.
8. **Regarding the scholarship year:**
 - That study should commence at the beginning of the assigned study institution's academic year.
 - That scholars assigned to institutions located in the Southern Hemisphere will be expected to begin scholarship studies in February/March 2014, according to the academic calendar of the assigned institution.
 - That no study can begin before 1 July 2013 and no funding will be issued for study before this date.
 - That the candidate must return to the sponsor district at the end of the scholarship period at least once to present his/her experience to his/her sponsor club.
9. That the scholarship provides a flat grant amount of US\$30,000 (or its equivalent) that is meant to defray the costs to pursue study at the assigned study institution such as round-trip transportation, tuition, some books and supplies, and room and board. Should a scholar request and be assigned to an institution where costs exceed \$30,000, it will be the scholar's responsibility to pay costs above that limit.

That the scholarship is intended to defray costs only during the regular academic year (usually nine months) of the assigned study institution.
10. **For Endowed and Named Scholarship Applicants:**
 - Any special restrictions the donor(s) placed on field or location of study
 - The additional obligations of endowed and named scholars as communicated to us by the Rotary Foundation.

DISTRICT ENDORSEMENT, continued

We endorse _____ to receive a Rotary District 6960 Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship.

Please check the **funding source** for this scholarship:

District Designated Fund Named (Term Gift) _____ Endowed _____

We endorse this candidate and certify that we have explained to the candidate the terms of the scholarship outlined on the previous page. The district governor-elect has been informed of this endorsement.

Name of District Governor (please print) District

Signature of District Governor Date

Telephone Fax E-mail

Name of Rotary Foundation Chair District

Signature of Rotary Foundation Chair Date

Telephone Fax E-mail

Optional

Name of Scholarship Committee Chair (please print) District

Signature of Scholarship Committee Chair Date

Telephone Fax E-mail

APPLIES ONLY TO SCHOLARSHIPS DONATED TO ANOTHER DISTRICT OR TO AN ENDOWED OR A NAMED SCHOLARSHIP DONATED TO ANOTHER DISTRICT.

This scholarship is donated by District _____ to District _____.

A total of _____ applications were submitted by the receiving district and reviewed by the donating district. The scholarships subcommittee of the donating district endorses this candidate.

Name of District Governor (please print) **District**

Signature of District Governor **Date**

Name of District Rotary Foundation Chair (please print) **District**

Signature of District Rotary Foundation Chair **Date**