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Civil Society Scholar Awards

Academic Year 2014 - 2015

Preliminary Application Form

CIVIL SOCIETY SCHOLAR AWARDS (CSSA) PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND PRELIMINARY APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The Open Society Foundations' Scholarship Programs are pleased to announce the **Civil Society Scholar Awards (CSSA)** for the 2014-15 academic year.

Purpose

Civil Society Scholar Awards (CSSA) support international **academic mobility** to enable doctoral students and university faculty to access resources essential to their professional development as a scholar, teacher, or public intellectual. The awards support innovative projects that will enrich research, facilitate the exchange of ideas, and help build international networks.

Who may apply?

- Doctoral students of eligible fields studying at accredited universities inside or outside of their home country;
- Full-time faculty members (Master's degree required) teaching at universities in their home country.

CSSA is available to citizens of the following countries:

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| <input type="radio"/> Afghanistan | <input type="radio"/> Ethiopia | <input type="radio"/> Serbia |
| <input type="radio"/> Albania | <input type="radio"/> Haiti | <input type="radio"/> Tajikistan |
| <input type="radio"/> Azerbaijan | <input type="radio"/> Kosovo | <input type="radio"/> Tunisia |
| <input type="radio"/> Belarus | <input type="radio"/> Laos | <input type="radio"/> South Sudan |
| <input type="radio"/> Bosnia and Herzegovina | <input type="radio"/> Macedonia | <input type="radio"/> Sudan |
| <input type="radio"/> Burma/Myanmar | <input type="radio"/> Moldova | <input type="radio"/> Syria |
| <input type="radio"/> Cambodia | <input type="radio"/> Mongolia | <input type="radio"/> Turkmenistan |
| <input type="radio"/> Egypt | <input type="radio"/> Nepal | <input type="radio"/> Uzbekistan |
| | <input type="radio"/> Palestine | |

Applicants with permanent resident status, dual citizenship, and/or asylum seekers in the country of the host academic institution are not eligible to apply.

The program does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, sex, religion, sexual orientation, or disability.

Students or faculty currently enrolled in **Master's degree programs** are **NOT** eligible to apply.

Which activities may be supported?

International academic activities, such as: fieldwork (data collection); research visits to libraries, archives or universities; course/curriculum development; and international collaborations leading to peer-reviewed publication. **Applicants must be currently affiliated with an academic institution, and projects must be clearly linked to current research and teaching responsibilities.**

Most projects will last between 2 and 10 months. Requests for funding for doctoral students should not exceed \$10,000; for faculty projects the maximum considered will be \$15,000.

Please note that applicants chosen as semi-finalists will be required to submit an additional application form, a detailed budget, and additional supporting documents as outlined in the application form.

Requests for support for first year tuition and fees will be considered on the basis of clearly demonstrated need from doctoral students who have gained admission to universities outside of their home country.

Travel grants for conference attendance unrelated to the proposed project will not be considered.

Applicants may NOT request grant assistance for the support of:

- federal and/or state taxes;
- computer hardware, software or other computer-related equipment;
- automobile-related expenses.

Selected grantees may be invited to attend short-term trainings/summer schools, and a participant conference during the grant period. Travel costs and accommodation for these events will be covered by OSF.

Which subject areas are eligible?

Proposals for any subject area within the **social sciences and humanities** are welcome, particularly those related to: **law, justice, and governance; sustainable development and natural resource management; economic rights and empowerment of the poor; public health, social work and community development; new media law and policy; inclusive education; post-conflict studies; and human rights.**

Ineligible fields include: *Business Administration, Management Training, Computer Science, Finance/Banking, Marketing, Engineering, Hard Sciences (Physics, Biology, Chemistry, etc.), Mathematics, Medical Sciences or Teaching English as a foreign language/language instruction*

How to Apply

Further details regarding the program, application guidelines, and a downloadable application form may be found by visiting <http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/civil-society-scholar-awards>.

All applicants will be required to complete this short **preliminary application form** and submit a CV by **April 27, 2014**. All applications received will be reviewed at the OSF London and New York offices by an international selection committee. All applications will be acknowledged.

The committee will choose **semi-finalists** and notify them of their status by **early May 2014**. Semi-finalists will be asked to submit a fuller application form, as well as supporting materials such as a selection of essays, transcripts and letters of recommendation by **late May 2014**.

A selection committee, composed of international experts and OSF staff, will then select **finalists**, who will be informed of their status by **late June, 2014**.

Competition for these awards is merit-based; selection will be made on the basis of proven academic excellence; a clear and justifiable need for international travel to complete the research project; and relevance of the project to the development of open society in the applicant's home country.

Deadline

The deadline for **preliminary applications** is **April 27, 2014**. Late applications will be automatically disqualified.

Hard-copies of applications and CVs can be submitted to one of the local addresses below or submitted in electronic format to: cssa@infoscholar.org.

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INITIAL APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- All applications must be completed in English
- **All initial applications must be accompanied by a full CV**

Grant Proposal Information

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Citizenship: _____

Email Address: _____

Current place of employment or place of study: _____

Please indicate if you are applying as a (please check one):

Doctoral Student enrolled outside of your home country:

Doctoral Student enrolled in your home country:

Faculty Member currently teaching in your home country:

- **Location of proposed grant activity:** _____
- **Estimated Budget Request (in USD):** _____
- **Dates of activity (DD/MM/YYYY):** _____ to _____
- **Describe the activity for which you seek funding (Abstract: word limit = 350 words)**
