



TIPS ON SECURING POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS



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WHY UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA?

- Over **3,200** UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES.
- **QUALITY** OF EDUCATION
- **FULL AND PARTIAL** SCHOLARSHIPS (BSc, MSc, PhD, MBA) ARE AVAILABLE.
- FUNDS ARE MANAGED BY **UNIVERSITIES/DEPARTMENTS/FACULTIES**.
- RESEARCH/ TEACHING **ASSISTANTSHIPS**.
- **GENEROUS STIPENDS AND BENEFITS**.
- **EASE OF TRANSFER** TO OTHER UNIVERSITIES.

TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

GOVERNMENT FUNDED

- Fulbright Foreign Student Program
- Hubert Humphrey Fellowship Program

UNIVERSITY/DEPARTMENT/FACULTY BASED

- Teaching Assistantships
- Research Assistantships
- Fellowships

APPLICATION PROCESS



Pre-application

Application

Post-Application

PRE-APPLICATION

- ✓ **What to think about.**
- ✓ **Planning ahead.**
- ✓ **Who to contact.**
- ✓ **Information search/Application Strategy**
- ✓ **Preparing credentials.**
- ✓ **Having the right mindset**

CHECKLIST

Academic records (Transcripts)

Test Scores (GRE and TOEFL/IELTS)

CV/ Resume

Personal Statement/ Statement of purpose/ Motivation letter/ Cover letter e.t.c

Awards and Distinctions

Publications/ Conference papers

Voluntary services rendered.

Extra-curricular activities

Industrial work experience (SIWES) and Internships

Work experience

Skills and proficiencies

Professional bodies membership

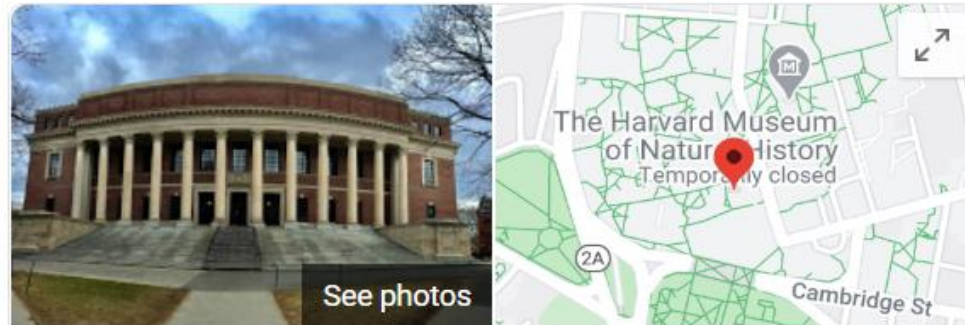
Recommendations (2 or more)



DEADLINES

FALL SEMESTER : AUGUST - JANUARY

WINTER/SPRING SEMESTER : MARCH – JULY



Harvard University

Website

Directions

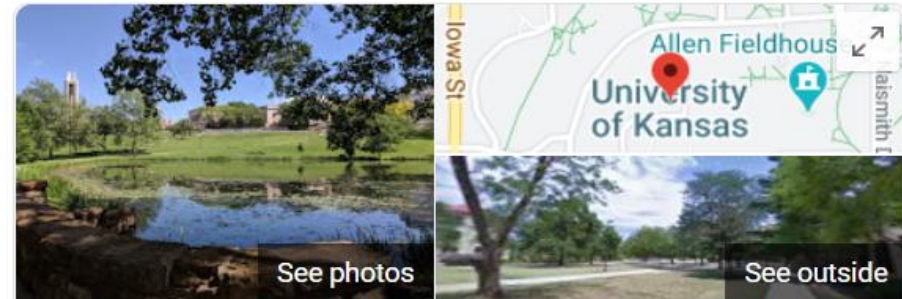
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Private university in Cambridge, Massachusetts

Harvard University is a private Ivy League research university in Cambridge, Massachusetts, with about 6,800 undergraduate students and about 14,000 postgraduate students. [Wikipedia](#)

Avg cost after aid	Graduation rate	Acceptance rate
\$14K	98%	5%

Graduation rate is for first-time, full-time undergraduate students who gr more ▼
Source: US Dept of Education · [Learn more](#)



University of Kansas

Website

Directions

Save

Public university in Lawrence, Kansas

The University of Kansas is a public research university with its main campus in Lawrence, Kansas, and several satellite campuses, research and educational centers, medical centers, and classes across the state of Kansas. [Wikipedia](#)

Avg cost after aid	Graduation rate	Acceptance rate
\$19K	61%	93%

Graduation rate is for first-time, full-time undergraduate students who gr more ▼
Source: US Dept of Education · [Learn more](#)

APPLICATION

Application Instructions

Applications are submitted online through the Rackham Graduate School. You should Review the [Rackham Graduate School's Admissions website](#) which will provide valuable information about the application process and their requirements. Note that your application fee of \$75.00 will be waived if you are a US citizen or a permanent resident.

Go to the [Rackham Graduate School online application](#). Be sure to indicate on the application your subplan (analytical, organic, chemical biology, physical, inorganic, or materials), otherwise your application will not be considered complete.

- 1. Research Statement:** Upload your Research Statement online in place of the "Statement of Purpose." The Research Statement should be a maximum of two pages and must include:
 - 1. Research experience:* State the goals of your research and a one paragraph summary of each of your research projects, highlighting your contributions. Please include a list of publications or presentations of this research (do not send us the actual publications).
 - 2. Clearly indicate area of research interest* (analytical, organic, chemical biology, inorganic, physical, or materials and subareas). [Research Areas](#)
 - 3. List a minimum of three U-M faculty whose research interests you.* [Faculty Accepting New Students](#)
- 2. Personal Statement:** This statement may be used to determine your suitability for specific fellowships. Your personal statement should enhance our understanding of your personal background and life experiences, including educational, cultural, familial, or other opportunities or challenges (500 words maximum).
- 3. Resume/Curriculum Vitae:** A CV is optional. If you choose to upload a short CV, include educational background, awards, research experiences, publications, and presentations. Otherwise, type N/A in the field.

4. **Three Letters of Recommendation:** Be sure to register the names of ALL of your recommenders when you fill out the online application. One of the letters must be from your current research advisor. If you or your recommenders have any trouble uploading documents, please contact help@applyweb.com. If any of the recommenders are still not able to submit their letters online, they may send the letters directly to us, along with the [Recommendation for Admission Form](#), though this may delay the processing of your application.

Graduate Admissions
Department of Chemistry

University of Michigan
930 North University Ave, Room 1500
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1055

5. **Transcripts:**

1. **Submitting Transcripts with Online Application:** As part of the online application process you must upload your transcript(s) [an unofficial copy is acceptable] for your application to be considered complete and reviewed. When submitting transcripts online, upload the front and back of the transcript(s). Do not upload transcripts from community colleges, non-degree programs, study abroad programs or for Associates degrees, unless relevant coursework from these programs is NOT included on your undergraduate degree transcript. [For example courses in math, chemistry, and physics.]

6. **Official TOEFL Score Report:** The Department requires the TOEFL test for students who have not obtained their degrees from approved English-speaking institutions. Scores must be received by the application deadline for your application to be reviewed. The average TOEFL speaking score of admitted students is 22-24. See here for more information: [Required Tests for Non-Native English Speakers](#). *Note:* International students may be interviewed in person or via Skype to evaluate English proficiency. Once admitted, international students who did not receive their undergraduate degree from an English speaking institution will also be required to arrive the summer before they officially begin the program to take an English course and pass an Oral English Test.

Entering Student Preparation

- B.S. degree in chemistry (B average grade typical)
- GRE (typically above 300; writing score above 3)
- TOEFL score exceeding 600 (paper test), 250 (computer test), 100 (internet test) for non-native English speakers

Financial Support

- All admitted students are financially supported.
- Teaching Assistantships beginning at \$22,500, benefits and tuition waivers for 12 months.
- Research Assistantships, Honors fellowships and minority fellowships are available for qualified applicants.

▶ RENEWABLE

How to Apply

- Complete the online application by visiting either <http://gradschool.olemiss.edu/apply-now> or by scanning the QR code below.
- Provide three (3) letters of recommendation and a personal statement outlining your background, career aspirations and motivation for graduate studies.

POST-APPLICATION

- **Follow up your application.**
- **Interview.**
- **Get an Offer**
- **Send additional credentials and evaluations**
- **VISA Processing procedures**
- **Resumption**

SUCCESS TIPS

QUALITY OF APPLICATIONS

SWEEP AND LADDER APPROACH



NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS

EARLY APPLICATIONS

TOP DESTINATIONS (INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS)

- Wichita State University
- Kansas State University
- University of Cincinnati, Ohio
- Indiana University – Bloomington
- Long Island University (NY)
- Iowa State University
- University of Arkansas
- University of Texas, Dallas
- George Mason University (VA)
- University of Texas, Arlington
- Colorado State University.
- Kent State University (OH)

- Arizona State University
- Illinois State University
- George town University
- Florida Institute of Technology
- Michigan State University
- Illinois Institute of Technology
- Stevens Institute of Technology
- Tennessee State University

<https://www.edsmart.org/best-high-acceptance-rate-colleges/>

NOTE: www.quora.com
www.usnews.com
<https://www.thegradcafe.com/>



ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



U.S. Embassy & Consulate
in Nigeria

Global Level 4 Health Alert: Do Not Travel [Read More...](#)

[Visas](#)

[U.S. Citizen Services](#)

[Our Relationship](#)

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[Education & Culture](#)

[Embassy &](#)

EducationUSA Opportunity Funds Program (OFP)

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APPLICATION OPENS APRIL 15, 2020 AND CLOSES MAY 31, 2020

There are many determined and talented, low-income students in Nigeria who only require financial resources and access to information to better their educational future. For the 11th year, the United States Embassy, Nigeria seeks to identify academically qualified and highly motivated, low-income students in Nigeria to join the EducationUSA Opportunity Funds Program (OFP).

<https://ng.usembassy.gov/education-culture/exchange-programs/opportunity-fund/>

OFP finances the **cost of the application process**, including **registration fees for required standardized examinations** and provides **free membership to the U.S. EducationUSA Advising Center** for its participants. OFP expects a sincere commitment from the students to **give their energy and time** to the program so that they may achieve their dreams of study in the United States.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection of finalists for OFP is highly competitive, given limited funding. We look for applicants with:

Strong academic record/ transcript

Robust participation in extracurricular activities

Involvement in leadership roles

Excellent community service participation

Financial Need

Requirements

- **Complete Application Form**

- **Academic Results:**

Undergraduate Applicants– Attach a **copy** of your WAEC “O” Level results (from WAEC website). Include Cambridge A’Level or IGSCE results if applicable or available.

Graduate Applicants– Attach a **copy** of your Final year results and degree results (if available) **First Class only (STEM majors preferred).**

- **Letters of recommendation:**

Undergraduate Applicants: Request a teacher or your school principal to complete a letter of recommendation form, attesting to your character, talent and skills. Please do not include a basic testimonial that does not talk about you as an individual.

Graduate Applicants: Provide the details of a lecturer, professor, or Head of Department (HOD) that we can contact to find out more about you.

- **Transcript:**

Undergraduate Applicants: Send a scanned copy of your transcript from JS1 to SS3 including your mock and first term results, if possible.

Graduate Applicants– Send a scanned copy of your transcripts that show a **GPA of 4.5 or above on a 5.0 scale.**

- **Essays:**

Write **two essays**, one from Group A and one from Group B, each of about 250– 300 words. The essay topics will be on the application form you receive. (Essay topics will be found on the form)

Complete List: Colleges With No Application Fee in the US



<https://medium.com/@brenspiration/complete-list-colleges-with-no-application-fee-in-the-us-5de2ec3ee7ea>

<https://www.edsmart.org/colleges-no-application-fee/>

<https://blog.prepscholar.com/colleges-with-no-application-fee>



<https://skoolville.com/blog/universities-in-usa-without-gre/>

<https://www.gradschools.com/get-informed/before-you-apply/choosing-graduate-program/grad-schools-no-gre>

<https://usaadmission.com/list-of-universities-waived-gre-gmat-requirement-due-to-covid-19-virus/>

DATABASE OF OPPORTUNITIES

<https://www.findaphd.com/>

<https://www.jobs.ac.uk/>

<https://www.researchgate.net>

<https://www2.daad.de/deutschland/stipendium/datenbank/en/21148-scholarship-database/>

<https://computeroxy.com/>



<https://positions.dolpages.com/>

SAUDI ARABIA AND NEIGHBOURING COUNTRIES

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Mineral

<http://www.kfupm.edu.sa/deanships/dgs/Pages/en/Application-Deadlines.aspx>

King Saud University

<https://graduatestudies.ksu.edu.sa/en/node/859>

King Abdulaziz University

<https://dgsscholarship.kau.edu.sa/Pages-Scholarships.aspx>



THANK YOU



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Akintayo Ayomide



Adelabu Particular
Akintayo Ayotech