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**PLEASE NOTE THAT SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING IS NOT GUARANTEED, AND THE EDUCATION COUNCIL THEREFORE RESERVES THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS:**

- to require all applicants to participate in a scholarship interview as part of the scholarship application process;
- to prioritise the award of scholarships by areas of study;
- to prioritise the award of scholarships by degree;
- to prioritise the award of scholarships based on the availability of funds as determined by Cabinet.

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# APPLYING FOR A OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP



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## The Scholarship Scheme

The Scholarship Scheme of the Cayman Islands Government has a strategic role in the development of human capital in the Cayman Islands. It exists to educate and prepare our young Caymanians, particularly those without sufficient means, to compete successfully in the global economy and contribute productively to the development and leadership of Caymanian society through a commitment to excellence and a dedication to moral and ethical principles. The Scholarship Scheme achieves this by providing financial support and career guidance.

## The Education Council

("Council") of the Cayman Islands seeks to ensure that the Scholarship Scheme operates within its approved annual budget and takes into account the priority areas of study as determined from time to time by the human capital requirements of our economy.

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## ACADEMIC CRITERIA

### UNDER-GRADUATE DEGREE STUDY FOR STANDARD BACHELOR PROGRAMMES

#### You must possess a minimum of:

- Three A-Levels/CAPE Unit 2 with a minimum grade of 'C / 3' in each A-Level/CAPE Unit 2.
- OR BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma with 'MMM' grade average.
- OR a most recent Associates degree with minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 or Associate Level studies with minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA may be considered.
- OR Advanced Placement with minimum of three Group A subjects or two Group A subjects and two Group B
- OR International Baccalaureate Diploma
- OR 3 Higher Level (HL) International Baccalaureate certs with a minimum of 13 points & no grade lower than a '4' and two standard level subjects at the 12th grade level with cumulative high school GPA of 3.25.
- OR 5 Standard Level (SL) International Baccalaureate certificates with no grade lower than a '4'.

#### At the discretion of Education Council:

You MAY qualify if you possess a minimum of 7 higher level subject passes with 'A' & 'B' grades, including English Language and Mathematics or a cumulative high school GPA of 3.25 or higher including Math and English **WITH** any of the following:

- a minimum combined SAT of 1500 in the old SAT or 1100 in new SAT
- OR a minimum ACT score of 22

### POST-GRADUATE DEGREE STUDY

#### You must possess a minimum of:

- Your most recent Bachelor degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or an Upper Second Class Degree (2:1) or higher to pursue a Master's Degree
- Or your most recent Master's degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or an Upper Second Class Degree (2:1) or higher to pursue a PHD

### POST-SECONDARY STUDY FOR TECHNICAL/VOCATIONAL PROGRAMMES

#### You must possess a minimum of:

- 5 higher level subject passes with 'A', 'B' or 'C' grades including Math and English
- OR 3 higher level subject passes with 'A', 'B' or 'C' grades **WITH** 99 Foundation Math & English with 'A' or 'B' grades from UCCI or ICCI
- OR a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 or higher including Math & English passes with 'A', 'B' or 'C' grades **WITH** professional or academic work in desired course of study.
- Mature Candidates will be reviewed on a case by case basis.

**NO LATE APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED**

## WHEN APPLYING FOR AN OVERSEAS SCHOLARSHIP A NUMBER OF DOCUMENTS MUST BE UPLOADED WITH YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION.

### These include but not limited to:

- A completed Scholarship Application Form
- Medical Certificate (not required for online study applicants)
- Academic/Character References
- Official High School or College Transcripts (may be provided after closing date)
- Institution's Letter of Acceptance (may be provided after closing date)
- 1 Passport size photograph
- Personal statement
- Degree plan
- Excel spreadsheet of Costs (tuition, housing, meal plan, etc)
- Birth Cert / Status Cert
- Cover Letter

### YOU MUST SUBMIT ALL OF THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS OTHERWISE YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

**As Cayman Islands Government funds are not unlimited, your parents' or guardians' ability to assist financially will be taken into account for all scholarships. In addition, if you are aged 21 years or older and employed your ability to assist financially will also be taken into account.**

**Shortlisted candidates will be required to provide a Declaration of Income and Expenses for their parents/surety or self.**

### You must therefore provide:

- **Salary letter and bank reference for your parents/guardians or your surety;**

**You will have to sign a student bond if you are awarded a scholarships** committing to successfully complete your proposed studies and to work in the Cayman Islands for a specific period of time after your studies. If you fail to meet either of these two requirements you will have to repay all scholarship funds that you have received.

**You must also secure a minimum of one local surety** to the bond. No two members of the same household will be accepted as sureties.

**You must make yourself available to be interviewed** by an Interview Panel once your application has been short listed and all the required documentation have been received. You cannot be awarded a scholarship without attending the interview. Following your interview, the Panel will make a recommendation to the Council.

**The decision to award an overseas scholarship** is based on your eligibility, your interview, the final decision made by the Council, the availability of funds, and any priority areas of study determined by the Council. Council's decisions are final.

**Do not delay your application** because you haven't received an acceptance letter or final grades prior to 30th April. These can be uploaded after the closing date. **Scholarships for online study** are available for post-graduate study or higher.

**APPLICATION PERIOD: 15 November - 31 January (annually)**

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Contact the Scholarship Secretariat at  
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