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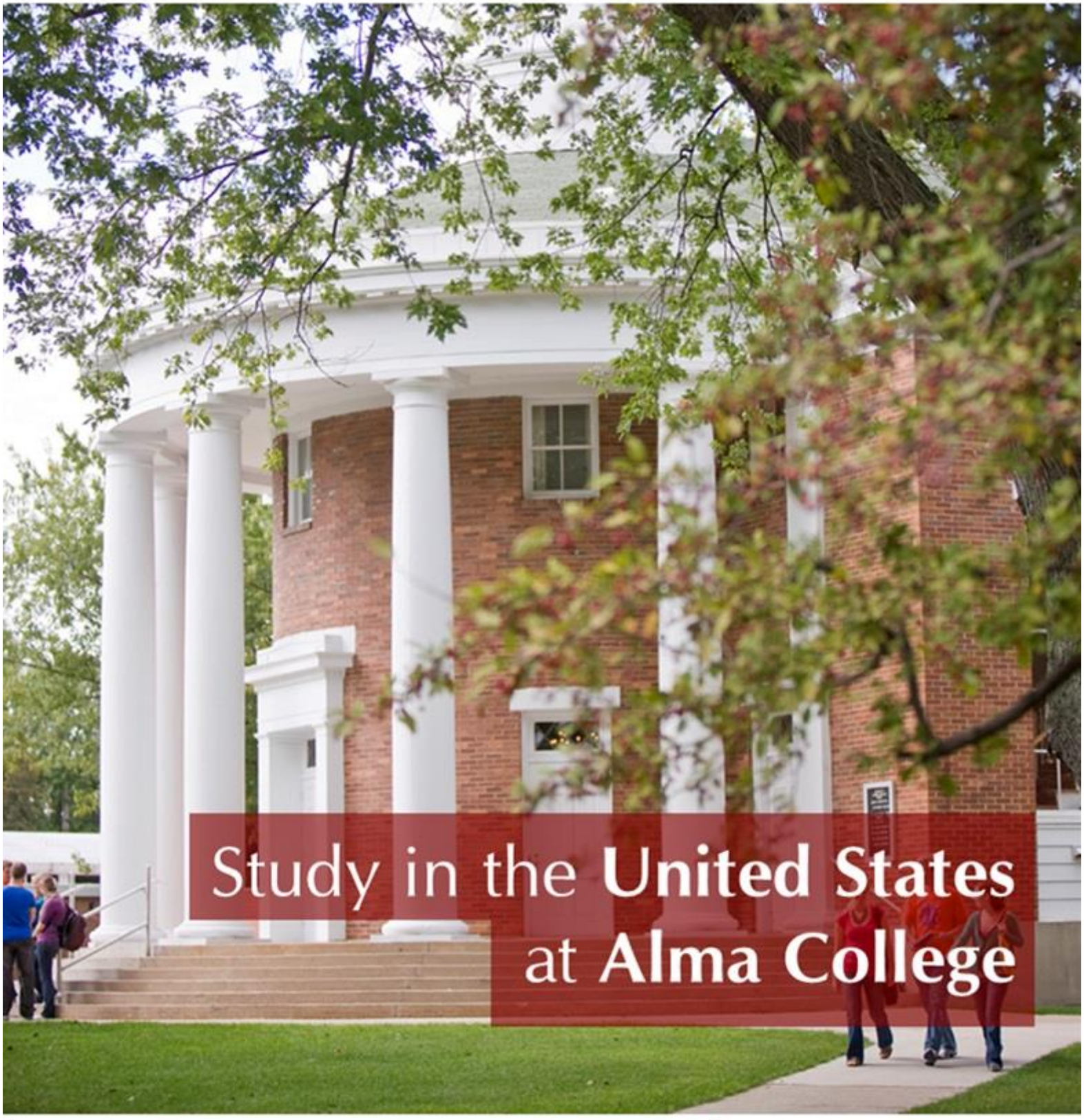

Study in the **United States** at **Alma College**

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 1, 2018

www.oas.org/scholarships

SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW

PROGRAMS:	Undergraduate Degree Programs covered by this scholarship are listed in Annex I below
MODALITY / COUNTRY:	Onsite / Michigan, United States
LANGUAGE:	English
DURATION:	2 - 4 years
CALENDAR:	**The College's admission deadline** May 15, 2018 for classes beginning August (Fall) 2018 September 15, 2018 for classes beginning January (Spring) 2019 **The OAS scholarship application deadline** June 30, 2018 for classes beginning August 2018 October 1, 2018 for classes beginning January 2019
SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS:	✓ Alma College shall waive USD 36,000 (90%) of the tuition fee per year for the duration of the program of study for the top three (3) awardees and the OAS shall provide a one-time tuition allowance of USD 2,500 to the top three (3) awardees who receive the 90% tuition waiver from Alma College during the first year of study. ✓ Alma College shall waive USD 30,000 (75%) of the tuition fee per year for the duration of the program of study for the remaining awardees and the OAS shall provide a one-time tuition allowance of USD $4,000 to top seven (7) awardees who receive the 75% tuition waiver from Alma College during the first year of study. ✓ Alma College shall waive USD 30,000 (75%) of the tuition fee per year for the duration of the program of study for the remaining awardees.

ABOUT THE PARTNER INSTITUTIONS

The General Secretariat of the OAS (GS/OAS) is the central and permanent organ of the Organization of American States. Through its Department of Human Development, Education and Employment (DHDEE), GS/OAS supports OAS member States in creating policies and executing programs that promote human capacity development at all educational levels. By enabling formative opportunities to citizens, DHDEE strengthens democratic values and security under the framework of regional integration. DHDEE does this: (i) by supporting the efforts of OAS member states to improve the quality of and equity in education; and (ii) by assisting the citizens of the Americas in realizing their full potential by giving them access to knowledge and skills through training that improves the standard of living for individuals, families and communities in the region.

Alma College (the College) offers a personalized education that allows you to create new knowledge through academic research, expand your horizons with global study initiatives, supplement your academic studies with relevant experiential learning opportunities and indulge your artistic and athletic yearnings while completing your degree on time. Your Alma experience will include opportunities to put the ideas and theories that you discuss in the classroom to work in real world settings through internships, research fellowships, campus leadership, academic travel or service to others.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCESS

Gather Supporting Documents and Apply online

- To apply for an OAS – Alma College scholarship, applicants must fill out the OAS online scholarship application form and attach **ALL** required supporting documentation. The list of required documentation can be found through the link below.

- **ALL** the required documents must be combined into **one (1) single PDF file (no larger than 5MB).** If the file is larger than 5MB, you will be unable to summit the online form. The application system does not allow for more than one document to be uploaded. Do not include any additional documents besides those indicated.

Click Here for the Online Scholarship Application Form and List of Supporting Documents

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE CONSIDERED

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

- ✓ Applicants are encouraged to contact the College for more information, please go to the College's website: https://www.alma.edu/admissions/

- ✓ Before applying for admission at the College, students are encouraged to read the program description, and ensure that the study area fulfills their expectations and interests. Please visit: https://www.alma.edu/admissions/ to understand admission requirements to the programs of study.

- ✓ Applicants can contact Amanda R. Slenski at slenskiar@alma.edu for more information about the College's admission process and program details.

EXPENSES NOT COVERED BY THIS SCHOLARSHIP

Expenses not covered by the scholarship, and which are the sole responsibility of the scholarship recipients, are:

FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS	✓ Remaining tuition and/or school fees ✓ Immigration and visa fees; ✓ Research expenses; ✓ Study materials; ✓ Health Insurance; ✓ Living expenses; ✓ Round trip airfare; and ✓ Any additional fees not included in the OAS-Alma Scholarship offer. An estimate of the cost of studying at the College could be found here: https://www.alma.edu/admissions/tuition-fees/

- ✓ The tuition discount from the College shall be spread across the Fall and Spring semesters only. Students should note that the tuition rate is expected to increase each year at the College.

- ✓ The scholarship recipients will be responsible for payment of the remaining tuition fees and any other costs as needed to the College.

- ✓ Applicants can also apply for the Rowe Fund which is an educational loan program of the OAS that helps citizens from Latin America and the Caribbean to finance their studies in accredited universities across the United States.

ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for this scholarship opportunity, an applicant must:

- ➢ Provide an unconditional admission letter from Alma College.
  - o *This scholarship opportunity is open to new applicants as well as current students from OAS member states who are not an OAS-Alma College scholarship recipient.*

- ➢ Submit a complete scholarship application with all required supporting documents

- ➢ Be a citizen and/or permanent legal resident of any OAS member state, except the *United States.*
  - o *Applicants from **Argentina** must fill out a required form through the following link; http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/PAEC/2018/NOTA-SOLICITUD-DGCIN-2017.doc and send it to the National Liaison Office (ONE) in Argentina.*

The following applicants are ineligible:

- ⊗ Current OAS scholarship holders
- ⊗ GS/OAS staff and their immediate relatives or GS/OAS consultants
- ⊗ OAS Permanent officials and their immediate relatives.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CRITERIA

- ✓ The merits and overall credentials of the candidate, including his/her academic and professional background;
- ✓ Geographical distribution of the applicants, taking into account the greater needs of the smaller and relatively less developed economies;
- ✓ Applicants whose essays portray the highest potential for impact upon return to their countries of origin; and
- ✓ Gender diversity.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION PROCESS:

Selection Committee	Alma College and the OAS will select the scholarship awardees, based on the criteria listed above.
Notification of selected candidates	The OAS will contact selected candidates by email with the scholarship offer and instructions for the scholarship acceptance. **Applicants who are not selected will not be contacted.**
Publication of Scholarship Results	The names of the scholarship recipients will be published on the OAS Scholarship website at www.oas.org/scholarships in July and November 2018.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT:

- ✓ The scholarship will be formally awarded only after the selected awardees have signed an OAS/Alma Acceptance Form, in which the awardees formally accept the scholarship and agree to its terms and conditions.
- ✓ Refrain from activities that are inconsistent with the status of an OAS Scholarship recipient, abiding by the regulations referred to in the Acceptance Form.
- ✓ Comply with all the academic guidelines and admission requirements requested by Alma and submit to the updates of these guidelines and requirements made by the academic authorities at Alma.
- ✓ Comply with the provisions indicated in the "Financial responsibilities of awardees."
- ✓ This Scholarship is subject to the compliance of the Scholarship Recipient with all academic requirements of the Program of Study established by the College and all other obligations set forth in the Scholarship Acceptance Form.
- ✓ The scholarship can be declined by the scholarship recipient before the start date of the program without financial penalties. However, if the scholarship offer is declined after that date without proof of force majeure, the OAS and Alma may require the Scholarship recipient to reimburse all funding granted to her/him with the scholarship at the time in which the declined offer is processed.
- ✓ Commitment to return to work in their sponsoring country or legal residence in one of the OAS member states, or at an international organization, for at least the length of the duration of the scholarship. Failure to comply with this commitment, the GS/OAS and/or the College could seek reimbursement for the total value of the scholarship awarded.

SCHOLARSHIP CONTACT INFORMATION:

Questions about this scholarship opportunity should be sent to scholarships@oas.org with the subject "OAS- Jackson State University Scholarship Program"

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

www.oas.org/scholarships
https://twitter.com/OASscholarships
https://www.facebook.com/becasoea

ANNEX I:

List of Eligible Undergraduate Programs Covered under the OAS /Alma College Scholarship Program

1. Accounting
2. Anthropology
3. Art and Design*
4. Athletic Training
5. Biochemistry*
6. Biology
7. Biotechnology
8. Business Administration
9. Chemistry
10. Communication
11. Computer Science
12. Dance
13. Economics
14. Educational Studies
15. Early Childhood Education
16. Elementary Education
17. Environmental Studies*
18. Finance
19. Health Care Administration
20. History
21. Integrative Physiology and Health Science*
22. International Business Administration
23. Management
24. Marketing
25. Mathematics
26. Music
27. Neuroscience*
28. New Media Studies*
29. Philosophy*
30. Physics
31. Political Science*
32. Psychology*
33. Public Health
34. Religious Studies
35. Secondary Education
36. Sociology
37. Special Education
38. Theatre*
39. Women's and Gender Studies

*Scholarship Recipients of Bahamian citizenship who apply to the OAS/Government of The Bahamas Scholarship program can only pursue the undergraduate programs of study offered by the College in the areas indicated by the asterisks (*) .

Scholarship Recipients of Bahamian citizenship who do not apply to the OAS/Government of The Bahamas Scholarship program can pursue any of the programs of study included in this scholarship announcement.