



African Leaders of Tomorrow (ALT) Scholarship Program

Introduction

The African Leaders of Tomorrow (ALT) Scholarship Program commemorates the late Nelson Mandela's commitment to social justice and equity by supporting young African professionals to become leaders in public policy and administration. Jointly funded by the Government of Canada through Global Affairs Canada (GAC) and The MasterCard Foundation, the ALT Scholarship Program will grant up to 110 scholarships over a five year period to young African men and women to pursue a Master's degree in public administration, public policy or public finance in Canada. Since 2015, scholarships have been awarded based on merit to young professionals from a range of sub-Saharan countries. The main goal of the scholarship is to contribute to a strong and effective public sector in sub-Saharan Africa. Special consideration will be given to equitable representation across the continent and to the advancement of women leaders.

The ALT Program is managed by the Canadian Bureau for International Education (CBIE) in partnership with the Institute for Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) and in collaboration with the African Association for Public Administration and Management (AAPAM) and the Canadian Association of Programs in Public Administration (CAPPA).

2018 Competition

Information about the ALT Program is available on the CBIE website - <http://cbie.ca/what-we-do/current-programs/african-leaders-of-tomorrow/>. The website provides information about program components and funding, eligibility and selection criteria, university program options available to ALT scholars and the application process.

The 2018 competition will open on **Thursday, September 7, 2017**. Starting September 7, individuals can contact CBIE to acquire an access code to the on-line application package. Only individuals who meet **all the eligibility criteria** will be given an access code.

Preparing to submit an application

In advance of September 7, interested individuals can ensure that they are prepared to apply.

- Applicants must meet all the eligibility criteria (<http://cbie.ca/what-we-do/current-programs/african-leaders-of-tomorrow/eligibility-selection-criteria/>). Applicants who do not meet ALL the criteria will not be allowed to apply.
- Applicants must meet the minimum academic requirements for admission into a Master's program in Canada, and more specifically at the university where they would like to study. Interested individuals can research the academic entry requirements of the eligible programs (<http://cbie.ca/what-we-do/current-programs/african-leaders-of-tomorrow/study-programs/>), international credentials equivalencies (<http://cbie.ca/what->

[we-do/current-programs/african-leaders-of-tomorrow/eligibility-selection-criteria/](#)) and specific requirements for language skills or GRE test results. This will help individuals to determine if they meet the eligibility criteria and whether they need to acquire any test results to gain admission, should they be selected as an ALT scholar.

- Applicants will be required to up-load a number of documents to the on-line application. This list of documents is posted on the website (<http://cbie.ca/what-we-do/current-programs/african-leaders-of-tomorrow/apply/>). Interested individuals who meet the eligibility criteria can start gathering the necessary documents to be ready for September.

The African Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship provides a unique opportunity for professional development for young Africans involved in public administration, public policy or public finance in either public sector or civil society. Please share information about the ALT program with appropriate ministries, departments and agencies in your country or with civil society organizations and encourage promising young leaders to apply.



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