

The University of Texas at Dallas  
Good Neighbor Scholarship Program 2009-2010  
Application Form

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Deadline February 25, 2009.

For native-born citizens and current residents of a nation of the Western Hemisphere other than Cuba, the United States, or Non-Independent Nations.

The purpose of the *Good Neighbor Scholarship Program* is to encourage academically talented students from the countries of the Western (American) hemisphere to pursue higher education in the State of Texas, thus establishing a beneficial link between the State of Texas and the home countries of the students.

A student is eligible, if he/she: (1) is a bona fide native-born citizen and resident of an eligible country; (2) has resided in the Western (American) Hemisphere for a period of at least five years; (3) demonstrates that he/she is scholastically qualified for admission to the nominating institution; (4) is not member of the Communist Party; (5) has a recommendation for a scholarship by an eligible institution; (6) has a statement on file with his or her institution that indicates the student is registered with the selective service system as required by federal law or is exempt from selective service registration under federal law, and (7) is enrolled in an eligible institution.

The Good Neighbor Scholarship Committee, coordinated by the Office of the Provost, reviews applications and endorses candidacies to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB). The THECB selects the recipients and notifies the Office of the Provost, which shall notify the student recipient(s).

Students selected to receive the awards through the *Good Neighbor Scholarship Program* may be exempted from the payment of tuition for the 12-month period beginning with the fall semester following the students' selection as recipients. The scholarship is not renewable (see conditions in section 16 of this application).

For more information about the Good Neighbor Scholarship Program, please read the rules of the THECB, Chapter 21, Subchapter K:

[http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/rules/tac3.cfm?Chapter\\_ID=21&Subchapter=K](http://www.thecb.state.tx.us/rules/tac3.cfm?Chapter_ID=21&Subchapter=K)

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1. Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
  
Middle Name: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Social Security Number or UT Dallas ID Number: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Are you U.S. Resident? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
4. Have you applied for U.S. residence? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. If yes, When? \_\_\_\_\_
5. What is your current immigration status, i.e. F1, J1, H1, B1/B2, etc.? \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Please provide evidence of your current immigration status, i.e. I-20, DS 2019, etc.
  - b. Please write N/A if you do not have any U.S. immigration status.
6. City and country of birth? \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Please provide copy of the birth certificate.
7. Country of citizenship? \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Please provide evidence of your citizenship, i.e. passport, birth certificate, etc.
8. Country of current permanent residence? \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. Please provide evidence of current permanent residence, i.e. passport, copy of driver's license, etc.
9. Have you been awarded with the Good Neighbor Scholarship before? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
  - a. If yes, when? \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. What institution? \_\_\_\_\_
10. How long have you lived in the Western Hemisphere? \_\_\_\_\_ years \_\_\_\_\_ months.

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11. Are you a member of a Communist Party? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_.

12. Do you have any relatives working for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB)?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_. If yes, list names and relationships: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_.

13. Please indicate whether you meet selective service requirements based on your immigration status. You may obtain guidance to answer this section from the home page of the Selective Service Registration Office ([www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)).

Will hold / hold student visa \_\_\_\_\_ Exempt from Service \_\_\_\_\_

Registered for Selective Service \_\_\_\_\_.

14. Please complete the following information.

a. First semester at UT Dallas \_\_\_\_\_

b. Degree and major/field of study:

Bachelor \_\_\_\_\_ Masters \_\_\_\_\_ Ph.D. \_\_\_\_\_

c. Expected graduation: Semester \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

d. Current UT Dallas GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative UT Dallas GPA \_\_\_\_\_

15. What are your dreams of the future? When you look back on your life in thirty years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What people, things, and accomplishments do you need? How does this particular scholarship fit into your plans for the future? Please attach essay (limited to 500 words).

16. By signing the Good Neighbor Scholarship Application, I am aware of the following conditions:

- a. I understand that the Good Neighbor Scholarship applies only for the 2009-10 (Fall 2009, Spring 2010, and Summer 2010) academic year and is NOT renewable. Therefore I will be financially responsible of all expenses (tuition, health insurance, living expenses, etc.) after the academic year in which the Good Neighbor Scholarship applies.

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- b. I intend to return to my country of residence upon completion of my program of study at UT Dallas.
- c. I am requested to maintain a full time enrollment and comply with immigration guidelines of the International Student Services Office.
- d. I understand that the Good Neighbor Scholarship will cover ONLY tuition. Therefore, I will be financially responsible to cover other expenses such as living expenses and health insurance, including repatriation insurance, to comply with immigration requirements.
- e. I must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a scale from 1.0 to 4.0).
- f. The integrity of information reflected in this application is based on the best of my knowledge and I am aware that this information may be subject to investigation to validate such integrity. Any discrepancy of information reflected in this application may jeopardize my candidacy for the Good Neighbor Scholarship.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

#### Eligible Countries (Independent Nations Located in Western Hemisphere)

Argentina	Antigua and Barbuda	Bahamas	Barbados
Bolivia	Brazil	Belize (British Honduras)	Canada
Chile	Colombia	Costa Rica	Dominica
Dominican Republic	Ecuador	El Salvador	Grenada
Guatemala	Guyana	Haiti	Honduras
Jamaica	Mexico	Nicaragua	Panama
Paraguay	Peru	Saint Kitts & Nevis	St. Lucia
St. Vincent & the Grenadines	Suriname	Trinidad and Tobago	Uruguay
Venezuela			

#### Western Hemisphere Countries Ineligible by Statute or because They Are Not Independent Nations:

Anguilla (Territory of United Kingdom)	Aruba (Part of Kingdom of the Netherlands)
Bouvet Island (Norwegian dependency)	Cayman Islands (British administration)
Clipperton Islands (Possession of France)	Cuba (Ineligible by statute)
Falkland Islands (Great Britain)	French Guiana (French Overseas Department)
Guadeloupe (Department of France)	Montserrat (Overseas territory of the United Kingdom)
Netherlands Antilles (Autonomous territory of the Netherlands)	
St. Helena (British colony)	St. Pierre & Miquelon (Self-governing territorial collectivity of France)
S. Georgia & S. Sandwich Islands (British Administration)	
Turks & Caicos Islands (British Overseas territory)	