



District 5020

Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship (DRAS) Application

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Candidates must submit their completed scholarship application to a District 5020 Rotary Club. The Rotary Club must endorse the candidate’s application and submit it to the D5020 Scholarship Chair. **All required documents (see checklists below) must reach the D5020 Scholarship Chair no later than January 15.**

Documents that you must submit to your SPONSORING ROTARY CLUB:	Documents that you must submit to the D5020 Scholarship Chair:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Application Form (Section 1) <input type="checkbox"/> Essay (Section 2) <input type="checkbox"/> Rotary Club Endorsement (Section 3) <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant’s Certification, signed and dated (Section 6) <p>SPONSORING ROTARY CLUB must submit the documents above to the D5020 Scholarship Chair:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum of three recommendations (Section 4) – Preferably from an academic mentor, employer, and/or supervisor <input type="checkbox"/> Language Ability Form (Section 5) – ONLY if you plan to study in a country where the program’s language of instruction is not English <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Transcripts – most recent transcripts, sent from the institution to the D5020 Scholarship Chair <p>D5020 Scholarship Chair Contact Info: Dr. Harry Panjer, Chair Rotary District 5020 Scholarship Committee 165-3399 Crown Isle Dr Courtenay, BC, Canada V9N 9X7 Email: Harry.Panjer@gmail.com Phone: 250-650-7675</p>

NOTE: The application and all required documents must be received by the D5020 Scholarship Chair **no later than January 15**, in either electronic or hard copy. Incomplete applications and applications received after this date will not be considered.

DO NOT FORWARD THIS APPLICATION TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION OR ROTARY INTERNATIONAL.

SECTION 1: APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT CONTACT INFORMATION

First name:

Last name:

Permanent address:

E-mail:

Primary phone:

Secondary phone:

Country of citizenship:

Gender:

Male

Female

Other

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

First name:

Last name:

Relationship:

Address:

E-mail:

Primary phone:

Secondary phone:

SPONSORING DISTRICT 5020 ROTARY CLUB

Rotary Club Name:

Club Contact Name:

Phone:

E-mail:

EDUCATION AND LANGUAGES

Postsecondary History *List most recently completed education first*

Institution Name	Location	Field of Study	Credential/Degree	From	To

Languages *List the languages you speak (including native language) and proficiency level.*

Language	Proficiency (Beginner, Intermediate, Expert)

Note: Language Ability Form (Section 5) MUST be sent to the D5020 Scholarship Chair if you plan to study in a country where the program's language of instruction is not English.

Prior Experience Abroad *List all countries where you have previously lived or studied.*

Country	Circumstances	From	To

Employment / Volunteerism History *List most recent first.*

Organization Names:		From	To
	Title:		
	Type of Work:		
	Title:		
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PROPOSED ACADEMIC PROGRAM DETAILS

Provide details about your academic program(s) of interest, in order of priority.

Preferred Program (#1)

Institution	City/Country	Academic Program	Official Language(s)

Anticipated Start:
(Month / Year)

Anticipated End:
(Month / Year)

Have you been accepted to this program? **Yes** **No**

List relevant links (URLs) to information about preferred program below:

Alternative Program (#2, if applicable)

Institution	City/Country	Academic Program	Official Language(s)

Anticipated Start:
(Month / Year)

Anticipated End:
(Month / Year)

Have you been accepted to this program? **Yes** **No**

List relevant links (URLs) to information about alternative program below:

AREA OF FOCUS AND GOALS

1. Which Rotary area of focus does the program(s) of study align with?

Peacebuilding and conflict prevention

Maternal and child health

Disease prevention and treatment

Basic education and literacy

Water, sanitation, and hygiene

Community economic development

Supporting the environment

2. Explain how your proposed program(s) of study relates to the Rotary area of focus and goals. (500 words max)

3. Describe the coursework of your proposed program(s), including any classes you plan to attend. (500 words max)

[Empty text box for describing coursework]

4. How does your education, employment and/or volunteer experience align with the Rotary area of focus? (500 words max)

[Empty text box for describing alignment with Rotary area of focus]



SUSTAINABILITY AND MEASURABILITY

5. Describe your educational and professional goals and how your program(s) of study will help to accomplish them. (500 words max)

6. What community needs will your work address during or after the program? How will your work contribute to addressing this need on a long-term basis? (500 words max)

7. What are your plans immediately after the scholarship period? *(500 words max)*

8. Describe your ideal job situation five years after completing the program.
(500 words max)

SECTION 2. ESSAY

Attach an essay (no more than 1,000 words) that describes each of the following:

- 1. Your own background, including personal and professional interests;**
- 2. How you came to be interested in your chosen field(s) of study;**
- 3. How you came to apply for the Rotary scholarship;**
- 4. How the scholarship will help you achieve your educational and professional goals; and**
- 5. How you will fulfill your role as an "ambassador" for Rotary during and after the scholarship period.**

SECTION 3. ROTARY CLUB ENDORSEMENT

The Rotary Club of _____ endorses the
Application and confirms the eligibility of
for a D5020 District Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship (DRAS).

Did the Rotary Club's selection committee interview this candidate?

Yes No

Each DRAS Scholar is assigned a Rotarian mentor from the endorsing club. The mentor must be a knowledgeable Rotarian who serves as a resource and mentor to the scholar before, during, and after the scholarship period.

The club president recommends the following Rotarian as a mentor, should the applicant receive a scholarship:

Name of Mentor:

Address:

E-mail:

Primary phone:

Secondary phone:

Note: If no mentor is listed, the club president will be designated as the scholar's mentor.

Club President

Name: *(print)*

Club President

Signature:

Address:

E-mail:

Primary phone:

Secondary phone:

Note: It is highly recommended that endorsing clubs keep a complete copy of the scholar's application for retention purposes.

SECTION 4. ACADEMIC/EMPLOYER RECOMMENDATION

Part I (Completed by applicant **before** each recommender completes Part II)

Applicant's Name:

I **WAIVE** my right to access information on Part II of this Recommendation form.

I **DO NOT WAIVE** my right to access information on Part II of this Recommendation form.

Applicant's Signature:

Part II (Completed by each recommender **after** applicant completes Part I)

1. In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant?

2. How firm is the applicant's commitment to his/her proposed field of study?

3. In what way would studying abroad contribute to the applicant's academic or professional development?

4. How would you rate the applicant in the following areas?

	Excellent	Very Good	Average	Below Average	Unsure
<i>Leadership</i>					
<i>Initiative</i>					
<i>Seriousness of purpose</i>					
<i>Enthusiasm</i>					
<i>Adaptability</i>					
<i>Maturity</i>					
<i>Emotional stability</i>					
<i>Community service</i>					
<i>Public speaking</i>					

5. Please cite specific examples of how the applicant has demonstrated the qualities listed in Question 4.

6. Additional comments: *(You may also attach a reference letter to this form.)*

Thank you for completing this evaluation to support the candidate's application!

Name:

Institution or Business:

Title or Position:

Work phone:

Cell phone:

Signature:

Date:

Please return this completed evaluation to:

Dr. Harry Panjer, Chair
District 5020 Scholarship Committee 165-3399 Crown Isle Dr
Courtenay, BC, Canada V9N 9X7
Email: Harry.Panjer@gmail.com
Phone: 250-650-7675

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SECTION 5. LANGUAGE ABILITY

Part I (Completed by applicant **before** their recommender completes Part II)

Applicant's Name:

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Applicant's Signature:

1. For what language is this form being completed?

2. Summarize the formal education and training you have had in this language.

3. Summarize your informal training or experience using this language.

4. If the program uses this language for instruction, what additional language training will you undertake before departure?

(Note: Rotary scholarship funds cannot be used for language training.)

Part II (Completed by recommender **after** applicant completes Part I)

1. In what capacity and how long have you known the applicant?

2. Is your evaluation based on prior classes, tutoring or other means? (Please specify.)

3. Please rate the applicant's present language ability as follows:

	Excellent	Very Good	Average	Below Average
<i>Reading</i>				
<i>Writing</i>				
<i>Comprehension (aural)</i>				
<i>Speaking</i>				

4. Please comment on the applicant's ability to carry out a program of study using this language.

5. If the applicant's command of the language is not adequate, what training would you recommend?

Name:

Institution or Business:

Title or Position:

Work phone:

Cell phone:

Signature:

Date:

Please return this completed evaluation to:

Dr. Harry Panjer, Chair

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SECTION 6. APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION

Applicant's Name:

I hereby apply for a one-year District Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship from District 5020. I certify that I am eligible to apply, understanding that persons in the following categories are ineligible: (a) a Rotarian or Honorary Rotarian; (b) an employee of a Rotary club or district, of Rotary International, or of another Rotary-affiliated entity; (c) a spouse, a lineal descendant (child or grandchild by blood or adopted or not adopted), a spouse of a lineal descendant, or an ancestor (parent or grandparent by blood) of any living person in categories (a) or (b); and that Rotarians and their relatives as described above remain ineligible for 36 months after resignation.

If I receive a District Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, I agree:

- 1.** To learn about Rotary International and fulfill the ambassadorial responsibilities outlined in the DRAS Principles document posted on D5020's web site (<http://www.rotary5020.org>)
- 2.** To help promote Rotary International wherever possible and to permit The Rotary Foundation and District 5020 to use my name and all photographs and written reports generated through any of my activities related to my scholarship
- 3.** That I am responsible for gaining admission at my assigned study institution, obtaining required visa(s), making appropriate travel arrangements, and completing all pre-departure requirements, and that I must abide by any decisions made by Rotary District 5020 officials concerning my scholarship
- 4.** That I am responsible for all costs incurred in completing my pre-departure requirements, including any application or visa fees, any required exam fees, and securing appropriate insurance coverage
- 5.** That I am responsible for all costs associated with my spouse or dependents or others who may accompany me during my scholarship period
- 6.** Because funding is tied to the Rotary year (July 1 – June 30), that my scholarship studies can begin no earlier than July 1st following the interview, and that I will not receive scholarship funding for any studies undertaken before this date. If I study at an institution located in the Southern Hemisphere, I would expect to begin my studies between January and March of the next calendar year.
- 7.** To embrace Rotary's spirit of volunteerism and engage in volunteer activities from the time of scholarship application, through the term abroad, to a post-award commitment in my local community
- 8.** That my scholarship will not necessarily enable me to earn a degree, diploma, or certificate
- 9.** To advise District 5020 of any other stipend or grant received during my scholarship year
- 10.** That the scholarship funding of US\$15,000 (or equivalent) is for only those items required

for my studies (such as tuition and other required fees, books, academic supplies, travel to my study location at the commencement and end of my scholarship year, accommodation and food) and must be approved by District 5020. I further understand that I will need to seek alternate sources of funding if my costs exceed this amount

11. To submit reports to the D5020 Scholarship Chair on a regular basis, including quarterly reports explaining my academic progress and expenditures of DRAS Scholarship funds, and a final report including receipts for expenses of US\$75 and more paid from scholarship funds to meet the reporting requirements for the District 5020 Audit Committee for their scholarship year.

12. That my scholarship may be revoked for any of the following reasons: my inability to secure admission to an institution approved by District 5020; low level of academic achievement; evidence of misconduct; failure to submit required reports on time; change in study program without consent of District 5020; withdrawal from institution before expiration of the scholarship term; deficient knowledge of the language of the study country and institution; failure to adequately fulfill ambassadorial duties; failure to attend an outbound orientation seminar or meet with the D5020 Scholarship Chair; failure to follow the directions of District 5020 officials; failure to provide my sponsor Rotarians, host Rotarians, and District 5020 with my current information including mailing address, telephone numbers, and e-mail address at all times; failure to maintain regular monthly communications with my sponsor Rotarians, host Rotarians, and District 5020; or any contingency that prevents me from fulfilling all the obligations of the scholarship. I understand that revocation of a scholarship shall cause all payments to cease and may make me liable for the return of payments previously provided.

13. That Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation, District 5020, the study institution, and individual Rotary clubs and Rotarians are in no way liable for a scholar's personal welfare or responsible for enabling a scholar to pursue his or her studies beyond the scholarship period. Rotary International, The Rotary Foundation and District 5020 assume no responsibility or obligation whatsoever beyond providing the amount of the scholarship.

Applicant's Signature:

Date: