



The Rotary Foundation's Global Grant Scholarship

What is the Global Grant Scholarship Program?

Rotary clubs may apply to The Rotary Foundation through their district for district and global grants to support scholarships. Rotary International District 7600 represents 64 Rotary clubs in central and southeastern Virginia (see: www.rotary7600.org).

Global grant scholarships fund graduate level coursework or research for students studying abroad in one of Rotary's seven causes or focus identified below. A key feature of the global grant scholarship is the partnership between the district or club in the study location (host sponsor) and the scholar's home country club and district (international sponsor). Both sponsors must be approved by Rotary International before the scholar can submit an application.

- Peacebuilding and conflict prevention
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Maternal and child health
- Basic education and literacy
- Community economic development
- Environment

Scholarships last from one to four years and can include an entire degree program. Global grant scholarships are funded using cash or District Designated Funds matched by the World Fund. Prior to considering an applicant:

1. **Local club must sponsor** the student and agree to financially support the student.
2. Applicant must submit letter of intent to the local club (e. g. program of study, proposed budget etc.).
3. Area of study must be in one of the seven areas of Focus of the Rotary Foundation.
4. Applicant must identify a club sponsor in the country of study (with assistance from local club).

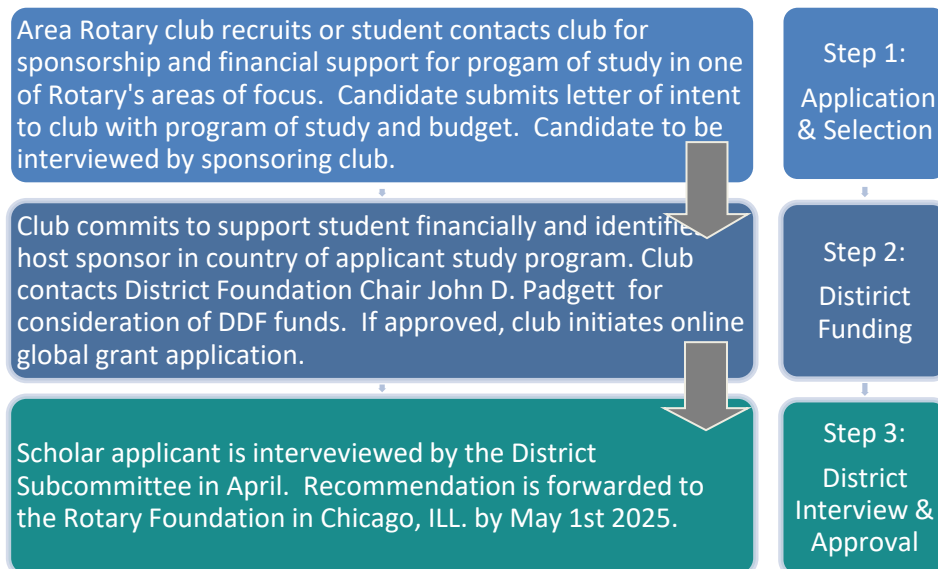
What is Required of a Global Grant Scholarship Candidate?

- Candidates must be accepted into a course of graduate study at a university outside the USA
- Candidates must have previous at least two years of relevant work experience in their proposed program focus.
- Candidates need to demonstrate a commitment to a career as they relate to one of Rotary's seven areas of focus.

How Do I Apply for the Rotary Global Grant Scholarship? What is the Process?

1. A candidate may typically reside in District 7600 (central/eastern Virginia) or if living outside the district must be approved by the District subcommittee. Contact Mike Little, District Subcommittee Chair [HERE](#) for more information **early in the process.**
- 2) The club sponsor must a) recruit the candidate, b) conduct an interview to select the candidate, and c) commit to support the candidate financially. Early in the process the club should contact District 7600 Foundation Chair John D. Padgett regarding available district funds. See *Global Grant Scholarship Supplement* for more information regarding club responsibilities at rotary.org.
3. Applications for scholars who will begin studies in the fall must be submitted to the District by April 1st, 2025. The subcommittee chair will arrange an interview at Rotary District 7600 Headquarters in Newport News, Virginia in April. If endorsed by District 7600, the candidate’s application would be forwarded to the Rotary Foundation in Chicago.

Rotary Global Grant Scholarship Application Process for 2025-26 Program Studies



Who Can I Talk to About the Global Grant Scholarship Program?

[Click here to contact Michael W. Little](#)

District 7600 Subcommittee Chairperson for Global Grant Scholarship