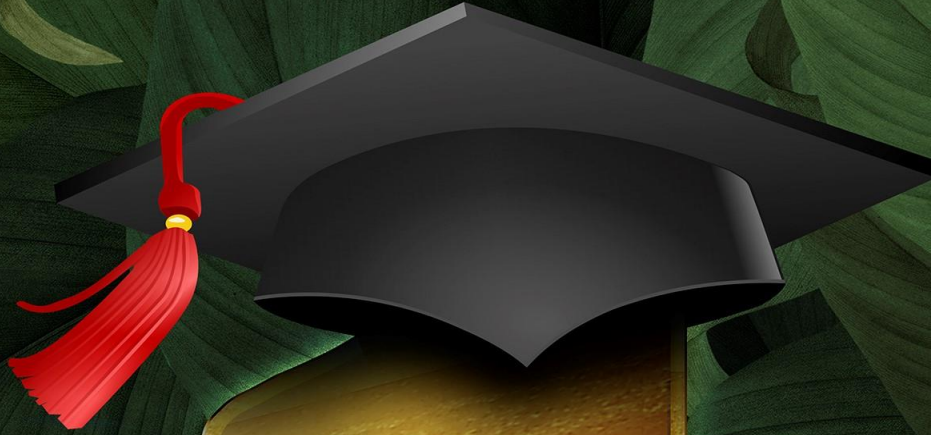


# ONE-YEAR

Support Scholarship (for 12 months)

منحة مركز التميز في الزراعة  
الدراسية لمدة سنة جامعية



YEAR



Applicant must be affiliated to  
one of the partner universities



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## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Center of Excellence for Agriculture (COEA) is a USAID-funded activity that facilitates meaningful partnerships and collaborations among U.S. and Egyptian universities, industry and government to: (1) develop innovative, transformative, and industry-validated curricula for undergraduate and graduate students with due consideration of gender equity; and (2) facilitate readily translatable solutions-based research that addresses the current and emerging needs of Egyptian agriculture centered on the seven priorities of Egypt's Sustainable Development Strategy. In doing so, the COEA will develop: 1) workforce-ready students to make immediate impact in the Egyptian agricultural economy; 2) research products that transform agriculture businesses and livelihoods; and 3) a sustainable, replicable, and inclusive model, highly valued and financially supported by a wide range of stakeholders throughout Egypt

Over the course of five years, the COEA is offering seventy-five (75) needs-based support scholarships (15 per year for five years), for students pursuing undergraduate degrees in the Faculties of Agriculture at Ain Shams University, Assuit University, Benha University, Cairo University, Assuit University, , and Suez Canal University. In the academic year 2019/2020 the COEA is offering fifteen (15) scholarships. These one-year scholarships are geared towards financially disadvantaged students. Eligible students can apply for the scholarship each year regardless of whether they have received the scholarship in the previous year.

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Must be an Egyptian national.
- Must be pursuing a BS degree-granting undergraduate program in a Faculty of Agriculture at Ain Shams University or Assuit University or Benha University or Cairo University or Suez Canal University.
- Must demonstrate proof of financial need for undergraduate studies.



### **Documents to be submitted with the application:**

- Letter of recommendation (LOR) from an academic advisor indicating student's character and experience. For freshmen no LOR will be required.
- Academic transcript of the previous year. For first year students a secondary school transcript will be accepted.
- Letter from a Social Solidarity Office stating the financial status and income of the applicant's family.
- Residential electricity bills for the past 12 months (both summer and winter seasons).
- Family registration document from Ministry of Interior or its branch offices showing number of family members.
- Written confirmation within the essay, plan, or proposal that student is willing to participate in various COEA extra-curricular experiences, which may include internships, research projects, entrepreneurship programs, job fairs, etc.

*Note: The COEA ensures that it will maintain privacy and confidentiality of applicant's personal information and data provided in the scholarship application. Furthermore, submitted information and data will solely be used for processing and evaluating applications.*

### **Scholarships will cover:**

- Tuition fees
- Stipend
- Living expenses, and
- Some support to attend English language courses, and participate in internship/research project/entrepreneurship, and other professional development activities.

### **Responsibilities of the scholarship recipients:**

- Maintain good academic standing and progress.
- Participate in COEA-activities aimed at building skills needed in Egyptian agriculture.
- Submit report on academic progress (CGPA, project work, etc.) by the agreed-upon deadlines.
- Submit report on participation in extracurricular activities and COEA experiences by the agreed-upon deadline.

*Note: Details on the roles and responsibilities of scholarship recipients will be available in a scholarship agreement to be signed before receiving the scholarship.*

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**Selection Process and Deadline:**

#	Activities	Deadline
1	Submit applications.	December 30, 2019
2	Awardees announced.	February 2020
3	Awardees sign the contract.	February 2020

Eligible students are requested to submit applications (online) along with all supporting documents by **December 30, 2019 11:59 PM Cairo time.**

**Incomplete and late submitted applications will not be considered for scholarships.**

**Follow these steps to submit application:**

- Read the call for applications, including eligibility criteria, and documents to be submitted.
- Collect all the supporting documents to be submitted with the application.
- Fill out the online application.
- Write an essay, proposal, or plan as required in the call for applications.
- Attach documents in the appropriate places in the online application.
- When the application is complete, submit it online. You should receive an email acknowledging the receipt of your application.



## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS?

### **What will happen if I apply after the deadline?**

*You need to apply within the given timeline. Late applications will not be considered for scholarship.*

### **In what language should I write my essay?**

*Essay should be written in English.*

### **Will I be notified of submission of my application?**

*Yes, you will receive an email notification upon submission of your application.*

### **I am a first-year student, am I eligible to apply for this scholarship?**

*Yes, first year students are eligible to apply. Please note this scholarship is for one year only, but one can reapply next year if she/he is eligible.*

### **What is the process for selecting students for this scholarship?**

*Applicants academic transcripts, proof/documentation of financial need, evaluation of essays, and letters of recommendation are the bases for selecting students for this scholarship.*

### **How will I know if I am selected for this scholarship?**

*You will receive an email. COEA will also send a notification to your home address.*

### **Can I print the application form and submit paper application?**

*No, you can't. It has to be an online application.*

### **Can I apply to more than one scholarship at a time?**

*No, you can't.*

### **What will happen if I am not able to get one or more of the required documents from government offices on time?**

*Since late submitted applications will not be considered for scholarships, it is the applicant's responsibility to get required documents on time and submit with the applications within the deadline.*

If you have any questions regarding these scholarships and the application process please contact [ets@coeag.org](mailto:ets@coeag.org)