



Open Society Scholarship Program

Civil Society Leadership Awards 2020-2021

Applications deadline: May 15th, 2019

The Civil Society Leadership Awards (CSLA) provides fully-funded scholarships for master’s degree study to individuals who clearly demonstrate academic and professional excellence and a deep commitment to leading positive social change in their communities.

CSLA grantees will receive financial and administrative support for the following:

- Pre-academic preparation via summer schools;
- Program-related travel;
- Tuition and mandatory university fees;
- Monthly stipend for room, board, and other living expenses;
- Accident and sickness insurance during the program;
- Funds for educational materials and professional development;
- Attendance at a regional Scholarship Programs conference;
- Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities.

Eligibility

Interested applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Demonstrate maturity, intellectual curiosity, flexibility and civil society leadership potential;
- Demonstrate a clear commitment to their home country or region in supporting open society development.
- Have an earned bachelor's degree as of May 15, 2019 with an excellent academic record;
- Demonstrate proficiency in the language of instruction (English, German or French) at a level required for admission by host universities;
- Be able to receive and maintain a visa or study permit as required by the host country;
- Be able to participate in an intensive pre-academic summer school in July or August 2020 and start their degree program in August or September 2020;

The **Civil Society Leadership Awards** is provided for a number of countries, including **Tajikistan**. Awards are available for study in the following areas:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communications, Journalism & Media • Culture, History & Society • Development Studies • Economics • Education Management & Leadership • Environment & Natural Resource Management • Gender Studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Human Rights • Law (including Human Rights law) • Politics & International Studies • Public Health Policy & Health Management • Public Policy • Social Work • Social Policy
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Ineligibility

The following fields of study are **NOT** eligible:

- Business administration or management
- Engineering
- Foreign language teaching
- Finance
- Medical sciences
- Physical sciences

CSLA Host Universities

Current CSLA host university partnerships include institutions in Europe, the UK, the US and some parts of Asia.

Equal Opportunity

Scholarship Programs are committed to equal opportunity, and exercise that policy in relation to all selection and admissions processes. The CSLA program does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, sex, religion, sexual orientation, or disability.

More Information & Application Forms

More information can be obtained from the grant announcement for Civil Society Leadership Program 2020-2021, available here:

<https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/civil-society-leadership-award> If you do not find answers there, you may email us at: manuchehrh.kamoliddinov@osiaf.tj or csla@infoscholar.org, or visiting website www.osiaf.tj Open Society Institute Assistance Foundation in Tajikistan.

Completing an Application

Interested applicants must complete an online CSLA application and submit along with supporting documentation to be considered for CSLA support.

Online Application

All candidates are strongly encouraged to apply online if possible using the Open Society Foundations grant portal <https://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/civil-society-leadership-award> an online platform.

For more eligibility criteria of CSLA program please contact either csla@infoscholar.org or consult Educational Advising Center of Open Society Institute Assistance Foundation in Tajikistan:

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