**SPONSORED STUDENT PROGRAMS 2017**

MSU defines a sponsored student as “a student who receives a financial scholarship from a government, an organization or a company (not private individuals or relatives).” Organizations include universities abroad, foundations, and other nonprofits. Sponsors also include organizations that administer and coordinate placement of sponsored students for foreign governments.

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| COUNTRY | SPONSOR | DESCRIPTION | EDUCATIONAL LEVEL/FIELDS OF STUDY | COSTS COVERED BY SPONSOR | COSTS COVERED BY DEPARTMENT |
| BAHRAIN |  |  |  |  |  |
| CHILE | [Government: *Bicentennial Fund for Human Capital Development (Becas Chile).*](http://www.conicyt.cl/) | A scholarship program from Chile’s Ministry of Education. | Master’s, doctoral, professional, postdoctoral.  Energy, biotechnology, IT, environment, health, education, science, engineering. | All costs for the duration of the program (two years for master’s; four years for doctoral) | The sponsor requests consideration for an assistantship for the applicant, but this is not mandatory. |
| CHINA | [Government: *China Scholarship Council*](http://en.csc.edu.cn/Default.aspx) |  | Master’s, doctoral. | Maintenance, insurance, travel – no tuition. | Department must pay tuition for the duration of the program. |
| GEORGIA | Government: *International Education Center* | Competitive admission. Successful applicants must return to Georgia for three years after graduation. | Master’s, doctoral. | All or partial costs for the duration of the program. | Varies. |
| INDIA | Government: *Ministry of Social Justice* | Applicants must be from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. | Master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None. |
| IRAQ | Government. *Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research.* | Applicants usually haven’t taken GRE or TOEFL and seek provisional admission. | Master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the direction of the program, including $14,000 in funding for English language training.  Costs limited to three years for the Ph.D., but this can be extended on a case-by-case basis. | **ALL IRAQ SPONSOR PROGRAMS ON HOLD**  None.  NOTE: because of limited funding for English study (enough for one semester), provisionally admitted students should have TOEFL scores close to the university minimum (530-550) |
| Government. *Higher Commission for Educational Development* | Applicants typically seek provisional admission. | Master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the direction of the program, including $14,000 in funding for English language training.  Costs limited to five years for the Ph.D., but this can be extended on a case-by-case basis. |
| Government: *Government of Kurdistan* | Applicants typically seek provisional admission. | Master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the direction of the program, including $14,000 in funding for English language training |
| JORDAN | Government | Funding for Jordanian university lecturers to complete doctoral study. Applicants generally have taken GRE and TOEFL. | Doctoral. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None. |
| LIBYA | Government | Applicants usually haven’t taken GRE or TOEFL and seek provisional admission. Many study English first in the US prior to applying for graduate school. | Master’s, doctoral | All costs for the duration of the program. | **LIMITED/ON HOLD**  None. |
| INDONESIA | Government: [*Indonesia Endowment Fund for Education (LPDP);*](http://www.lpdp.kemenkeu.go.id/scholarship/)[*Ministry of Religious Affairs (MoRA)*](http://scholarship.kemenag.go.id/?mora=min&vcxdfs23) |  | Master’s, doctoral, professional.   All fields. | All costs for the duration of the program (two years for master’s; four years for doctoral). | None. LPDP would like cost-share. |
| KAZAKHSTAN | Government: [*Bolashak (“Future”) International Scholarship*](http://inter.kstu.kz/bolashak-international-scholarship-of-the-president-of-the-republic-of-kazakhstan/) | High achieving applicants. | Bachelor’s, master’s, doctoral.  All fields. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None |
| KUWAIT | [Government: *Civil Service Commission; Ministry of Higher Education* (master’s only)*; Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research; Kuwait Investment Authority; Kuwait University; Public Authority for Applied Education and Training* (graduate students only)](http://www.kuwaitculture.com/students/sponsor-rules) | A variety of Kuwaiti government offices and ministries sponsor undergraduate and graduate students.  Eligibility criteria varies by program.  Applicants may need additional English language training. | Bachelor’s, master’s, doctoral.  All fields. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None. |
| MALAYSIA | Government (national and state); some institutional (universities) funding  Special programs for upgrading university lecturers |  | Bachelor’s, master’s, doctoral.  All fields. | All costs for the duration of the program. (Time to degree often assumes UK system, e.g., 3-year bachelor’s degree) | Departments should consider offering funding for later years. |
| MEXICO | Government: CONACYT *(Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Technologia)* | A new (2016) partnership with the Mexican government’s National Council on Science and Technology. | Master’s, doctoral  Priority fields: natural sciences, engineering, biotechnology, agricultural sciences, health sciences, energy | TBD | TBD |
| OMAN | [Government: *Ministry of Higher Education*](https://www.mohe.gov.om/InnerPage.aspx?id=612cd2b4-f14c-4f48-9dc0-1fa809efe308&culture=en) | A variety of Omani government offices and ministries sponsor undergraduate and graduate students.  Eligibility criteria varies by program.  Applicants may need additional English language training. | Bachelor’s, master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None. |
| PERU | Government: [*Programa Nacional de Becas y Crédito Educativo (PRONABEC) (Peruvian National Program for Scholarships and Educational Loans)*](http://www.pronabec.gob.pe/) | Applicants must have excellent academic credentials and demonstrated financial need. | Master’s, doctoral.  STEM fields. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None. |
| RUSSIA | [Government: *Global Education Program*](http://educationglobal.ru/en/) | Applicants must have earned a bachelor’s or specialist degree and have no criminal record. | Master’s, doctoral.  Priority fields: Science, engineering, medicine, education, management “in social sphere” ([a complete list of MSU eligible programs can be found here](http://educationglobal.ru/fileadmin/downloads/List_of_universities_and_programs.pdf)) | Maximum of RUB 2,763,600 per year for three years. | Cost-shared not required by the sponsor, although the funds provided may be insufficient to cover all costs. |
| SAUDI ARABIA | [Government: *Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques Scholarship Program (*formerly *King Abdullah Scholarship Program*)](http://www.sacm.org/Scholarship.aspx) | Applicants usually haven’t taken GRE or TOEFL and seek provisional admission. | Bachelor’s, master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the duration of the program, including English language training. | None.  NOTE: Declining oil prices have led to a tightening in program guidelines. |
| THAILAND | [Government: *Royal Thai Scholars*](http://scholar.ocsc.go.th/Main/FrmAnnounce.aspx?TestTypeId=iep%2frNIfLH0%3d&Year=qbGV1RDISO0%3d&PeriodNo=iep%2frNIfLH0%3d&IpS=nVIuoORAK%2b8%3d) | High achieving applicants, selected through competitive evaluation process. | Master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the duration of the program. | Application fee is waived and paid by Graduate School if student is admitted. |
| Many government ministries (e.g., Civil Service Commission, Royal Thai Air Force) offer scholarship programs. | Criteria depends on specific program. | Criteria depends on specific program. | Criteria depends on specific program. | Criteria depends on specific program. |
| TURKEY | Government: [*Council of Higher Education*](http://www.yok.gov.tr/en/web/cohe/homepage)*;* [*Ministry of National Education*](http://abdigm.meb.gov.tr/www/yabanci-hukumet-burslari/icerik/37)*;* [*Turkish Scientific and Technical Research Institute*](http://www.tubitak.gov.tr/) | Applicants generally have GRE and TOEFL scores, but may need additional English language training. | Master’s, doctoral. | All costs for duration of the program, including English language training. | None. |
| UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (UAE) | [Government. *Abu Dhabi Investment Authority, Abu Dhabi Education Council, Dubai Police, Ministry of Education, Presidential Scholarship Program, UAE University*](http://www.uae-embassy.org/services-resources/students) | A variety of UAE government offices and ministries sponsor undergraduate and graduate students.  Eligibility criteria varies by program.  Applicants may need additional English language training. | Bachelor’s master’s, doctoral. | All costs for the duration of the program. | None. |
| UNITED STATES | [*Institute for International Education,*](http://www.iie.org/en/What-We-Do/Fellowship-And-Scholarship-Management#.WH9_GlUrJGE) [*Fulbright Program*](https://eca.state.gov/fulbright), [*Latin American Scholarship Program of American Universities (LASPAU)*](http://www.laspau.harvard.edu/about/) | Placement done by a US-based organization. High achieving applicants with very good GRE and TOEFL scores. | All costs for Y1 and Y2. |  | All costs for Y3 and beyond. Applicants are generally very competitive. Departments interested in successfully recruiting a particular applicant should offer additional support, which may increase the likelihood of placement at MSU. For Fulbright students, offering in-state tuition could be a successful strategy. |
| VIETNAM | Government: [*Vietnam International Education Department (VIED)*](http://www.vied.vn/en/about-vied/vietnamese-government-s-scholarship-schemes.html) | High achieving doctoral applicants. Most competitive sponsorship program in Vietnam. Applicants generally must have very good GRE and TOEFL scores. | Doctoral.  Limited to STEM fields. | $27,000 per year for Y1 and Y2; can be used to pay RA to cover all expenses. | $8,200 in Y1 and Y2 to bring support to minimum required by MSU. Full support in Y3 and beyond (½ assistantship or equivalent).  NOTE:   1. Department must pay any special fees that graduate assistantship doesn’t cover (e.g., premium program fee) 2. Application fee is waived and paid by Graduate School if student is admitted. 3. Departmental cost share may increase each academic year. 4. Bi-weekly assistantship is at MSU’s current highest rate. |