OAS SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT 2016

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration announces that applications for the captioned fellowship at the Undergraduate and Graduate levels are being accepted.

Applications will be accepted in all fields of studies relative to the Organization of American States (OAS) with the exception of Language and Medicine. Priority development areas are Social Development and the Creation of Productive Employment, Education, Economic Diversification and Integration, Trade Liberalization and Market Access, Scientific Development and Exchange & Transfer of Technology, Strengthening of Democratic Institution, Sustainable Development of Tourism, and Sustainable Development of the Environment Culture.

Candidates are required to be citizens or permanent residents of The Bahamas; produce transcripts directly from high schools/universities to the Ministry with a minimum of 3.00 cumulative GPA; copy of GRE for Graduate applicants, if available; copies of high school/university diplomas; copies of B.G.E.S.E. certificates for Bachelors applicants; three (3) passport photos; current medical certificate; three (3) statements of recommendation from Professors/Lecturers/Teachers and Employers, where applicable; copies of valid passport pages along with US visa page, where applicable, and statement of purpose.

Applications must be completed electronically on the OAS website at <u>www.oas.org</u>, uploading only documents as requested by the OAS, and a copy submitted with all supporting documents as listed above to <u>charmainemckenzie@bahamas.gov.bs</u>. A hard copy of the same should also be submitted to the Ministry along with all supporting documents.

Kindly note that the OAS scholarships cover the last 2 years of the undergraduate programme, therefore, applicants at the Bachelor's level should have already completed at least 1 college semester before applying. A review of the OAS list of consortium universities is recommended.

The deadline for receipt of application is 1st April, 2015. Late and incomplete applications will not be processed.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting the Technical Assistance Cooperation Division of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Immigration at telephone numbers 242-356-5956/9, or by email to <u>frankdavis@bahamas.gov.bs</u> and <u>charmainemckenzie@bahamas.gov.bs</u>.