



# SCHOLARSHIP FOR WATER AND SANITATION PROFESSIONALS

## OVERVIEW

Rotarians interview and select from local candidates who have already been admitted to one of UNESCO-IHE's eligible 18-month MSc degree programs. Sponsoring Rotarians maintain contact with the scholar throughout his or her studies. After completion of the program, the scholar and sponsoring Rotarians partner on a water-related activity in their home country. Rotarians in the Netherlands involve the scholars in local cultural and Rotary-related events during their academic program.

## STRATEGIC PARTNER



UNESCO-IHE Institute for Water Education is the largest international postgraduate water education institution in the world and the only institution within the United Nations system to confer accredited Master of Science degrees and promote Doctor of Philosophy degrees.

## LOCATION

Studies take place at the UNESCO-IHE campus in Delft, the Netherlands. Water-related activities take place in the student's home community.

## ELIGIBILITY

Qualified clubs and districts that are located near the scholarship candidate's workplace or residence are encouraged to apply.

## KEY CONSIDERATIONS

Students admitted to UNESCO-IHE initiate contact with Rotary clubs in their home communities. If you are aware of water and sanitation professionals seeking to advance their career skills, encourage them to first apply to UNESCO-IHE. Students must first be admitted to UNESCO-IHE in order to apply for this scholarship.

The three eligible MSc degree programs are the Delft-based specializations of [Urban Water and Sanitation](#), [Water Management](#), and [Water Science and Engineering](#) (joint programs are not eligible). Students must also return to their home country after completing their program.

Scholars are selected in a competitive process. Candidates are chosen based on their ability to have a significant, positive impact on global water and sanitation issues during their career. Successful applicants will have a strong academic background, significant and relevant professional experience, and demonstrated leadership in the community.

## SCHOLARSHIP VOLUME AND AWARD AMOUNT

A limited number of scholarships will be awarded each academic year. The funds will be paid directly to UNESCO-IHE on behalf of the student.

## THE APPLICATION PROCESS

Students admitted to UNESCO-IHE's eligible programs seek the sponsorship of their local Rotary club or district by submitting a [scholar application](#) to the potential sponsor.

The potential sponsor receives and reviews the application and the [terms and conditions](#).

Rotarians interview the scholarship candidate and make a decision about sponsoring the applicant.

The sponsor submits a full [application](#) online no later than 15 May of the year that the scholarship candidate's program begins.

The Rotary Foundation reviews the application.

The Foundation awards a scholarship to a limited number of candidates who demonstrate the strongest potential to make a significant, positive impact on global water and sanitation issues during their career.

The sponsor submits a progress report after the scholar's first year of the program and a final report when the scholar completes his or her academic program.