AFD - PSIA Student Scholarships in Development
2014 Call for Applications

Based on a special partnership between the **Paris School of International Affairs of Sciences Po (PSIA)** and the **Agence Française de Développement (AFD)**, multiple scholarships ranging from partial to full tuition grants will be offered every year to incoming students in the Development programs of PSIA, coming from AFD priority countries in Africa. The AFD is the main implementing agency for France's official development assistance to developing countries and overseas territories.

Eligibility

- Eligible candidates are students admitted to the **Paris School of International Affairs of Sciences Po (PSIA)** for the 2014 intake, and enrolled in the Master in Development Practice (one-year program) or in the Master in International Development (two-year program).
- The AFD-PSIA Scholarship is dedicated to students from Africa. Priority will be given to students coming from the following countries: Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Ivory Coast, Kenya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Liberia, Niger, Rwanda, Sao Tome and Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda and Zimbabwe.
- Students applying to a dual degree program are not eligible.
- Important: please note that an application to the AFD-PSIA Scholarship does not constitute an application to Sciences Po. All applicants must first complete an application for admission to Sciences Po and ensure they have submitted it successfully. If this first stage is not completed, the application for the AFD-PSIA Scholarship will not be considered. Please visit the Sciences Po Admissions website for more information.

Scholarship Conditions

Multiple scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis to the best candidates on the basis of their academic record and their project at Sciences Po.

In principle, the AFD-PSIA Scholarship goes towards covering tuition fees.

The AFD-PSIA scholarship is offered for the entire length of study at PSIA on condition of sufficient academic performance (top 50% of class). Students who do not meet this requirement will have their scholarship withdrawn.

- Master in Development Practice: in principle, the scholarship is offered for one year. Students enrolled on this program must show sufficient academic performance during the first semester or their scholarship will be withdrawn in the second semester.

- Master in International Development: in principle, the scholarship is offered for both years of study. Students enrolled on this program must show sufficient academic performance over the course of the first year or their scholarship will be withdrawn in the second year.

The scholarship is dependent on the awardees completing their course of study at PSIA. A change in Master will lead to the withdrawal of the scholarship.

Please note that the scholarship offer is for students beginning their studies in September 2014 and may not be deferred.

Application

To apply, please send the following materials by email to Heather Clarke at heather.clarke@sciencespo.fr with 'AFD-PSIA Scholarship Application 2014' in the subject line.

- For all applicants:
  - ◊ CV in English
  - ◊ Cover letter of 1000 words in English (indicating which program at PSIA you are applying for) addressed to the members of the joint selection committee
  - ◊ Release form (see page 3)
- For applicants coming from Sciences Po's Undergraduate College **only**, in addition to the two above mentioned items (CV and cover letter), please also provide:
  - ◊ Copy of the official academic transcripts for the entire length of your time in higher education (including periods spent abroad on exchange programs)
  - ◊ Two letters of reference from professors. To ensure confidentiality, these letters should be sent by the professors directly by email to: heather.clarke@sciencespo.fr

Deadline

- Deadline to apply is **Tuesday February 4th, 2014**.
- Results will be announced by March 31st, 2014.
- Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible. The 2014 Sciences Po admissions campaign begins in October 2013.

For more information

- Agence Française du Développement & Paris School of International Affairs
- Sciences Po Admissions
- Master in Development Practice — Academic Advisor: Michelle Reddy, michelle.reddy@sciencespo.fr
- Master in International Development — Academic Advisor: Kate Vivian, kate.vivian@sciencespo.fr
- Scholarship inquiries: heather.clarke@sciencespo.fr

RELEASE FORM

Re: AFD-PSIA Scholarship — 2014

I, …….. , hereby agree that the documents submitted for my application to Sciences Po admissions for the academic year 2014-2015, will be communicated to the joint selection committee for the purpose of the AFD-PSIA Scholarship selection process.

Date: ……..

Signed: …….