

Strathmore-WOCCU

African Management Institute (SWAMI)

Scholarship Opportunities



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WOCCU's SWAMI Scholarship

Background

The Strathmore-WOCCU African Management Institute (SWAMI) is a well researched and contemporary training program based on international best practices for savings and credit cooperatives (SACCOs) offered at Strathmore University in Nairobi, Kenya. The World Council of Credit Unions (WOCCU) has established a SWAMI Scholarship Fund to support eligible SWAMI students with tuition expenses and/or travel expenses. (The travel award is only available to students arriving from outside of Nairobi, Kenya.)

SWAMI scholarships are awarded to applicants on the basis of past, present and continued involvement in the SACCO movement. These scholarships exist to help individuals become more informed and educated long-term SACCO leaders. The SWAMI scholarship is open to all SACCO managers and board members, as well as government officials.

Scholarship Award Information

Three scholarship awards are available. Applicants may apply for only one of these three scholarships: Tuition, Travel or Partial Tuition/Travel. Once awarded, the scholarship award remains with the student for all three tiers of the program, provided satisfactory completion of each tier. In the event that a scholarship recipient is not meeting satisfactory progress within the SWAMI determined criteria, he/she will become ineligible for continued financial scholarship assistance and the funds will be recycled into the general scholarship fund for use by other applicants.

- **Tuition Award:** This scholarship covers 100% of the tuition for each tier of SWAMI training. Meals, travel and accommodation expenses are the responsibility of the recipient.
- **Travel Award:** This scholarship, available for applicants outside of Nairobi and the surrounding area, covers travel costs to attend all three tiers of the program. (See chart below on amounts awarded, depending upon travel distances.)
- **Partial Tuition/Travel Award:** This scholarship is available for applicants who require financial assistance for both tuition and travel expenses. The scholarship covers 50% of tuition and 50% of travel costs for all three tiers of the program.

The table below lists the different types of scholarship assistance:

Award Type Maximum Amount of Award

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Tuition	100% of tuition
Travel (based on 2007 costs for travel to Nairobi, Kenya)	From within Kenya (not Nairobi or surrounding area) US\$50 From East Africa US\$100 From Central Africa US\$300 From West Africa US\$750 From Southern Africa US\$500
Partial Tuition/Travel	50% of tuition and 50% of travel (based on above travel chart)

Application Form

Type of Travel Award (Circle One)

Tuition Travel Partial Tuition/Travel

Applicant Information

Full Name _____

Name of SACCO/Ministry _____

Post Address _____

City _____ Country _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____ Website _____

SACCO Asset Size (Local Currency) _____ (US\$ Equivalent) _____

Applicant's Position/Title _____

Positions Held/Membership/Affiliation (Professional/League Committee and/or Board/National Committees):

Number of Years Employed/Volunteer in SACCO Movement _____ Years

Education (Circle All That Apply):

| University Graduate | Correspondence | Association Training | PEARLS Graduate | Other |

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Qualifications

Applicants are required to provide the following:

- Completed application form (see above)
- Letter of interest (limit one typed page)
- Letter of endorsement from applicant's supervisor (limit one typed page)
- Copy of last year's (or most current) SACCO financials *

* Government officials should email the scholarship committee for requirements.

The above documents must be received no later than 45 days in advance of the next SWAMI session.

Scholarship applications are to be sent to the following address:

SWAMI Scholarship Program, c/o World Council of Credit Unions
Attn: SWAMI Scholarship Program
5710 Mineral Point Road, Madison, WI 53705 USA
Email: scholarship@woccu.org Fax: 001-608-238-8020