**UO-IME Becas Scholarship Application 2018**

**Application deadline – Monday, April 16, 2018.**

The University of Oregon and the IME Becas Scholarship Program is a joint effort between the Office of Admissions, the Division of Undergraduate Studies, the Office of International Affairs and the Consulate of Mexico in Portland. The funds are intended to support a diverse student population at the University of Oregon, and provide financial support to students with costs related to attending the university. Through this partnership, UO-IME seeks to expand the opportunities of higher education among the Mexican population. In this edition, we are offering eight (8) awards of $5,000.00 each.

*To qualify for the UO-IME Becas Scholarship, students need to meet the following criteria:*

1. Be enrolled as a student and in good standing at the University of Oregon during academic year 2017-2018.
2. Have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.7 on a 4.0 scale AND maintain a minimum of a 3.0 GPA during the current academic year.
   1. Preference will be given to Latino / Hispanic students of Mexican-origin, and/or to students who self-identify as “DREAMers” under the United States’ Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors (DREAM) Act.

**Full Name:**

**Phone: E-Mail:**

**Major/Minor: UO ID Number:**

Scholarship recipients are required to see an academic advisor at minimum twice per term in the Office of Academic Advising.

Please answer the following questions on a separate sheet or sheets of paper. Your answers to these questions will be scored by a scholarship committee.

1. **Tell us about your cultural background and how it influences your professional goals and aspirations. (250 words maximum)**
2. **Tell us about specific influential moments or experiences during your academic career that have influenced your determination to succeed academically. (250 words maximum)**
3. **Tell us about personal, financial or family challenges you have overcome to succeed at the University of Oregon. Please provide specific examples. (500 words maximum)**

A confidential letter of recommendation from a university faculty member, staff, GTF, community member or church official is required. The letter should describe your ability to achieve academic goals at the University of Oregon. Suggested characteristics to be addressed by your recommender:

* personal characteristics & experiences
* contributions to family & community
* cultural strengths
* financial challenges

All application materials should be sent electronically or by mail to Antonio Huerta in the Office of Admissions to: [joseh@uoregon.edu](mailto:joseh@uoregon.edu) Mailing address: Office of Admissions, 1217 University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1217.

***Instructions:*** *Use this page as cover page filling in your name, phone, UO E-mail, Major and UO ID #. Use separate sheets of paper to answer questions 1, 2 and 3 above and mark the questions and your answers clearly. Mail or e-mail cover page and answers as* ***one PDF*** *file to Antonio Huerta. A confidential letter of recommendation* from a university faculty member, staff, GTF, community member or church official *is required and it needs to be sent by mail or e-mail to Antonio Huerta by the due date as indicated above.*