

## **GUIDE FOR APPLICATIONS**

# MARSHALLPLAN SCHOLARSHIP - ESSENTIALS

### WHAT IS A MARSHALL PLAN SCHOLARSHIP?

The Austrian Marshall Plan Foundation established an academic exchange program to fund scholarships and fellowships for academic exchange between Austria and the US with a special focus on Universities of Applied Sciences and Technical Universities ("Fachhochschulen und Technische Universitäten") and to open up and provide for transnational mobility.

A Marshall Plan Scholarship supports the most promising students, helping them in their career development. The scholarship program runs an open, merit-based competition for the applying students. The freedom of the fellows to choose a research topic and the appropriate University fitting their individual needs is a key element of the scholarship action.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Participants applying for a scholarship are students of Austrian and American Universities, studying science and engineering, have an outstanding record of achievement in their field of study and plan to stay abroad at least for three months.

#### WHAT RESEARCH TOPICS ARE SUPPORTED?

All actions have a bottom-up approach, i.e. research fields/topics are chosen freely by the applicants.

## **HOW DOES IT WORK?**

Proposals are submitted by the Foundation's Partner Universities within specified deadlines and are evaluated by experts against a series of predetermined criteria.

#### WHAT DOES THE FOUNDATION COVER?

The Foundations contribution consists of a minimum of EUR 4.000,- and a maximum of EUR 10.000,- granted to a single applicant.

#### **HOW TO APPLY?**

Essential information for applicants to prepare and submit a proposal for a Marshall Plan Scholarship is provided by the Foundation's Partner Institutions. Applicants should consult their University's International Offices in order to better prepare for the process, rules of participations, contractual and financial issues, etc. Proposals are submitted electronically via the Marshall Plan Scholarship web-based system. Grant-agreements for selected proposals are then signed between the Students and the Foundation.

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