



Central European -American Business Leaders scholarship (Poland)

The objective of this program is to provide Poland's future business leaders with substantive work experience in American business as well as an American MBA.



What does the program entail?

Quinnipiac University will select up to two recipients per year for the Central European-American Business Leaders Scholarship (Poland). Selected students will receive a scholarship to come to the United States for two years to work and study. Prior to arriving in the U.S., scholarship recipients take some online MBA courses so they can complete their remaining MBA coursework in their first year in the U.S. Once in the U.S., scholars take on-site MBA courses (limited online courses are allowed), live in university housing and work part time during their first year. They work full time and live off campus during their second year.

Key benefits of the program include:

- Up to 2 years of work experience in American businesses after completing their MBA.
 - During MBA studies, our scholars work part-time in American business.
 - After completing their MBA, our scholars work full-time in American business.
- All scholars earn an American MBA at Quinnipiac University.
- At the conclusion of the program, students are required to return to Poland, putting their knowledge and experience to use.

What kind of support is offered?

The scholarship includes:

- 1 reasonably priced economy class roundtrip airline ticket
- A start-up stipend to help with initial living and travel costs
- A room in university housing (first year) and health insurance during MBA studies
- Fully paid tuition

The university has many resources to assist students in finding part-time and full-time work during their time in the U.S. but cannot guarantee any specific job or company in advance.

What are the requirements?

Ideal candidates will have a strong work ethic, be self-motivated, be honest and display a high level of maturity and a strong sense of responsibility.

- Students must have completed at least one semester's worth of a master's degree by August 15, 2019. Quinnipiac needs to count about three (3) of your Master's credits toward your Quinnipiac MBA degree.
- Some work experience (including internships) is required. Ideal work experience would be 1–2 years.
- Candidates must have a valid driver's license. (Scholars must drive to job interviews and to work.)
- Candidates must be under 27 years of age when arriving in the U.S.
- Candidates must be Polish nationals.
- Scholars must maintain "good academic standing" at Quinnipiac during their MBA.
- Scholars should have good communication, presentation and general people skills.
- Scholarship receipts will be responsible for covering certain costs related to: mandatory vaccines, J1 VISA processing fees, SEVIS fee, and official copy of **International Credential Evaluation document from WES (World Education Services)**.

The documents required for the application: ¹

- **Current Resume**
- **2 Letters of Recommendation** – At least one letter must be from a professor at the student’s university.
- Copies of current **university transcripts** (this may be an unofficial copy for the application but scholarship recipients must submit an official copy before arriving at Quinnipiac)
- Photocopy or digital scan of your **driver's license** (typically your Polish license, but international licenses or a license from another country is also acceptable).
- **Introductory Letter** – should be one page long and include the student’s name, the current field of study, and basic information about you and what you hope to achieve in the U.S.
- **Essay on intent and motivation** (estimated 2–3 pages) – should explain the applicant’s motivation in applying for the scholarship and their vision of how will this experience be applied upon their return to Poland.
- **Plan of Study** (estimated 1–2 pages) – should list the MBA courses at Quinnipiac University in which the student is interested.

What is the selection process?

- Applications should be submitted before midnight **November 30, 2018** (CET).
- Finalists will have a personal interview with Prof. Gedeon Werner from Quinnipiac University in December in Warsaw (selected applicants are required to come to Warsaw at their cost).
- The final selection will be announced early in 2019.

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¹ All applications must be submitted digitally in Microsoft Word and/or Adobe Acrobat format. Each document’s file name should begin with the applicant’s family name followed by their given name. As an example, KOWALSKI_JAN_Resume.doc
All written documents must be double spaced, Times New Roman with 12pt. font, and standard American page size.