

CONFINTEA Scholarship Programme

The [UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning \(UIL\)](http://www.unesco.org/uil) is an international non-profit research, training, information, documentation and publishing centre. It promotes lifelong learning policy and practice with a focus on adult learning and education, especially literacy and non-formal education and alternative learning opportunities for marginalized and disadvantaged groups.

In 2012 UIL offers four **CONFINTEA Scholarships to English speaking students and fellows from all UNESCO Member States for the period of one month:**

- the **Peter Jarvis CONFINTEA Scholarship**
- the **Alex Charters CONFINTEA Scholarship**
- two **Nomura Center CONFINTEA Scholarships**

All scholarships are based on private donations.

UIL offers a fully-equipped and networked workplace and the resources and support of its unique [Documentation Centre and Library](#). With 63,000 books, documents, non-print media and periodicals in adult education, literacy, non-formal education and lifelong learning, it is one of the most comprehensive collections of its kind in the world. Started in 1952 by the UNESCO Institute for Education, it comprises English language materials (some 60% of the collection), as well as publications in German, French, Spanish and a variety of other languages.

UIL maintains effective working relations with the [University of Hamburg](#), which is within walking distance. Its supportive infrastructure, such as its library and dining facilities, are open to scholars, as (in principle) are other research institutes in UIL's research environment such as the [German Institute of Global and Area Studies \(GIGA\)](#).

The scholarships cover travel and lodging during the tenure of a CONFINTEA Scholarship. Scholars will work under the supervision of a UIL researcher, but should be prepared to work under their own initiative for a good deal of time. They will be expected to produce a report on the research they undertake at UIL and present it for discussion at a concluding seminar.

Scholars will be provided with the full use of UIL facilities, including its Documentation Centre and Library, computer facilities and limited secretarial support.

Selection criteria for candidates

Prospective CONFINTEA Scholars will benefit from using UIL's knowledge base and resources for doing **research in the area of CONFINTEA, namely literacy, non-formal education, adult or lifelong learning**. Research proposals should clearly state: justification, objectives and expected results of the research. Candidates should speak English as a common language of the Institute; knowledge of another official UN/UNESCO language would be an asset.

Applications

Applications are welcome from candidates for a period up to one month. Interested candidates are asked to **submit their application by mail or e-mail to the Director of UIL by 16 May 2012:**

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