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The MACI Scholarship Could Lead to Dynamic Career

Cayman has a rich maritime history – boat building, seafaring, serving in the merchant marine and in various navies, even in times of conflict. The islands' many dedicated and respected seafarers are mostly all the older generation now, with stories of adventures on the high seas and experiences in ports around the world reminiscently told to their grandchildren.

The port of George Town was established as a British port of registry in 1903 and today Cayman has become the most prestigious flag state, and world leader, in the registration of super yachts, although the register also caters to merchant ships, super tankers, container vessels and even submarines.

Cayman Maritime (formally known as the Maritime Authority of the Cayman Islands), the parent organisation of the Cayman Islands Shipping Registry (known simply as the Cayman Registry) offers a broad range of career opportunities. For example, a staff of about 30 located at George Town Headquarters, perform vessel registration, crew compliance matters, maritime policy development, accounting, communications, human resources management, information and technology, in addition to surveying and naval architecture, and they often travel across the globe to many of the world's most exotic ports of call. There are offices and representatives in 14 separate parts of the world (Offices: Headquarters – Cayman Islands and European Regional Office – UK; Representative Offices in the US, France, Greece and Singapore; and Representatives in Japan, Holland, Italy, Hong Kong, China, Philippines, Australia and Brazil), which give the organisation a highly visible worldwide presence, and the opportunity to satisfy client services needs wherever they may be in a competitively cost-effective manner. Additionally, cross-training amongst all staff members provides other opportunities for travel to those venues, as well as technical fora, and trade shows around the world.

Once again, as it does every year, in its effort to help ensure that the islands' rich maritime heritage and administration is carried forward into the future, Cayman Maritime, in partnership with the Ministry of Education, Employment and Gender Affairs, is conducting its annual campaign to attract individuals of 18 years of age and up, who demonstrate an interest in maritime affairs, to apply for the scholarship currently being offered. The two organisations are actively seeking dynamic individuals who wish to pursue a rewarding and exciting career in today's modern-era maritime industry.

Consideration will be given for the pursuit of under-graduate, post-graduate or professional qualifications in the disciplines of naval architecture, marine engineering, marine survey, maritime administration and nautical studies. Further consideration will be given to applicants in related areas such as specialist maritime legal services, human resource management, accounting, information technology and other areas which support the maritime sector.

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ACADEMIC CRITERIA – MACI Scholarship

UNDER-GRADUATE DEGREE STUDY for standard Bachelor programmes

International Baccalaureate (IB):

- Full IB Diploma;
- Three Higher Level IB certificates with a minimum of 13 points and no grade lower than 4 and two standard level subjects at the 12th grade level with a cumulative high school GPA of 3.25;
- Five Standard Level certificates with no grade lower than 4.

Advanced Placement (AP):

- Three group A subjects or two group A and two Group B subjects with a minimum grade of 3, and two standard level subjects at the 12th grade level with a cumulative high school GPA of 3.25.

A-Levels/CAPE:

- Three A-Levels/CAPE Unit 2 with a minimum grade of 'C / 3' in each A-Level/CAPE Unit 2.

Associates Degrees:

- Cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher or
- Associate level studies with minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA may be considered

BTEC Level 3:

- Extended Diploma with a minimum MMM grade average

The Education Council may award overseas scholarships to students who do not have advanced standing if they meet one of the two criteria below:

- Seven GCSE/CXC/IGCSE passes, including English Language and Mathematics, not less than a 'B' grade in all subjects. **OR**
- Cumulative High School GPA of 3.25 or higher at an approved secondary school.

WITH a minimum SAT score of 1500 (old SAT) or 1100 (new SAT), and/or ACT score of 22.

POST-GRADUATE DEGREE STUDY

To qualify for a scholarship for Master's degree/Internship/Specialization applicants must:

- Possess the most recent degree with a minimum of :
  - A Bachelor degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or an Upper Second Class Degree (2:1) or higher to pursue Master's level studies
  - Or a Master's degree with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or an Upper Second Class Degree (2:1) or higher to pursue PHD level studies

Please note that scholarship funding is not guaranteed, and the Education Council therefore reserves the following rights:

- to require all applicants to participate in a scholarship interview as part of the scholarship application process;
- to prioritise the award of scholarships by areas of study;
- to prioritise the award of scholarships by degree;
- to prioritise the award of scholarships based on the availability of funds as determined by Cabinet.

Website: www.education.gov.ky/scholarships