# Student Programs

## NAWA Scholarship programs

THE POLISH NATIONAL AGENCY FOR ACADEMIC EXCHANGE

NAWA is a new institution that was established on October 1st, 2017. It is set up to coordinate state activities driving the process of internationalization of Polish academic and research institutions. The mission of NAWA is to foster the development of Poland in the area of science and higher education.

NAWA's mission, development vision and objectives of the action in the period 2024-2030:

Mission:

Strengthening Polish science and higher education through international exchange and cooperation.

Development vision:

The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange is a leading institution serving to strengthen the internationalisation of Polish science and higher education. It is known and appreciated in the Polish and foreign academic community. It inspires science and higher education institutions to act.

It sets standards in terms of supporting academic mobility, internationalisation of science and higher education, recognition of education and the promotion of the Polish language and culture in the international academic community.

The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange flexibly adjusts its activities to the global and local challenges of the academic world. It responds to the needs of the environment and effectively supports the mobility and international cooperation of students, doctoral students and employees of institutions forming the system of science and higher education.

The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange co-creates optimal conditions for research and educational activities in Poland, contributing to the scientific, cultural and economic development of the country. The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange creates opportunities for sustainable and transparent use of its offer by the entire academic community, regardless of the disciplines of science, types of institutions and their location, and all kinds of non-substantive considerations.

The Polish National Agency for Academic Exchange is a team of professionals who work with passion and effectively implement the Agency’s mission and strategic goals.

Objectives of the action:

Supporting the internationalisation of science and higher education.

Popularization of the Polish language and culture abroad.

Strengthening the presence of Polish science and higher education on the international arena.

Facilitating the international transfer of knowledge and skills to science and the economy.

Horizontal objective: institutional development of the Agency.

Foreign Students

Through developing the existing grant and aid programmes, NAWA aims at developing Polish students mobility and encouraging foreigners to start their studies in Poland at a number of fields to be conducted both in Polish and foreign languages.

NAWA coordinates scholarship programmes under terms set forth in agreements, with the collaboration of Polish diplomatic missions and institutes which will publish the offer for students on their websites. The grant amount will depend on the type of study course.

The https://study.gov.pl/ website has been created by the Ministry of Science and Education (MEiN) and is aimed at promoting Poland (Why Poland) as a country of studying, not only through the Erasmus+ programme. The website is a source of information on the higher education system and deals with queries important to students: how much a tuition fee is, what life and work in Poland is like.

At www.go-poland.pl, you can also find interviews with graduates with their remarks and advice.

A search for fields of study is practical as well. The choice of an educational pathway depends on a student's status (his/her citizenship, Karta Polaka) and helps determine the rules of studying in Poland.

**Here are useful links to NAWA Scholarship programs:**

The Gen. Anders Programme: <https://nawa.gov.pl/en/students/foreign-students/the-gen-anders-programme>

Poland My First Choice Programme: <https://nawa.gov.pl/en/students/foreign-students/poland-my-first-choice-programme>

NAWA Summer Courses: <https://nawa.gov.pl/en/students/foreign-students/exchange-programme-for-students-and-scientists-as-part-of-bilateral-cooperation-offer-for-incoming-students-and-scientists>