

BYU Swedish Scholarship Endowment

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Brigham Young University (BYU) is a university owned and operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and is one of the largest private universities in the world. Located in Provo, Utah in the United States, BYU offers a wide variety of educational courses and programs in most major academic fields (many ranked among the best in the US) for a student population of about 30,000. It furthermore boasts a lively cultural life and sports culture. For more information regarding BYU go to www.byu.edu.

BYU alumni of Swedish descent have established the BYU Swedish Scholarship Endowment to facilitate cultural exchange between Sweden and BYU's majority Mormon population. The recipients of the Brigham Young University Swedish Scholarship will receive full financial support enabling them to study for one academic year (August to April) at BYU during which time they will have the privilege of setting up their own education plan. The scholarship covers all application fees, tuition, required books, room, board and university-required medical insurance for a single student. Additionally, the scholarship provides \$300 per month stipend and transportation to and from Brigham Young University. The total value of the scholarship comes to more than US\$22,800.

The purpose of the scholarship is to promote international exchange and to allow Swedish students to learn about the US, Utah, and Mormon culture while at the same time help BYU students become familiar with contemporary Swedish culture. It is intended that scholarship recipients return to Sweden with knowledge and friendships from across the world.

Eligible applicants for this scholarship include young men and women living in Sweden who are academically qualified for undergraduate studies at the university level and who are not members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. By accepting the scholarship, students agree to adhere to the BYU honor code and live by the moral standards described therein by being honest, living a chaste and virtuous life, obeying the law and all campus policies, using clean language, being respectful of others, abstaining from alcoholic beverages, tobacco, tea, coffee and substance abuse and observing BYU Dress and Grooming Standards. Graduate students are not eligible to apply.

Interested applicants should submit a written statement as to why he or she desires to study at BYU. Also academic credentials, personal data, documented achievements in academics, arts, sports or similar talents and any other information the applicant would like the committee to consider. Documents can be mailed, faxed or sent by letter to the Chairman as noted below. Deadline for the application for studies to begin in fall of 2015 is the 1st of February 2015. Questions may be directed to the Chairman preferably by e-mail.

All prerequisites for attending BYU must be fulfilled before the scholarship will be awarded. These requirements include: Avgångsbetyg from an upper secondary school with scores in the Väl Godkänd (VG) range (All secondary education and college work (not US accredited) done outside of the United States must be evaluated by an international credential evaluation agency), take the ACT or SAT, and take and pass the English proficiency requirement (TOEFL, IELTS or PTE). For more information see: <https://admissions.byu.edu/international-freshman-acceptance-criteria>

The Scholarship Committee may invite a few of the candidates to a personal interview before a final decision will be made. All applicants will be notified about the decision of the committee.

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