



SOCIETY OF  
ACTUARIES®

# Your Future in Actuarial Science is Now Within Reach

## Expanding Access Globally

Now offering up to 40% off exam and pathway component fees, aligned with World Bank country classifications.

Find out if your country is eligible:

[soa.org/globalaccess](http://soa.org/globalaccess)





## Improving the Accessibility and Affordability of Actuarial Education

The SOA's new Global Access Pricing makes actuarial education and credentials more accessible by aligning fees with local economic conditions.

This program replaces the former Global Access Pilot Program and introduces updated discount tiers based on World Bank classifications.

Associate of the Society of Actuaries (ASA) candidates living and testing in lower-middle and low-income countries can now receive increased discounts. New Fellow of the Society of Actuaries (FSA) savings are also available for candidates in middle-and low-income countries.

### Tiered Discounts

Discounts are applied according to the World Bank's annual country classifications:

- **Lower-middle and low-income countries: 40% off ASA | 20% off FSA**
- **Upper-middle-income countries: 20% off ASA | 20% off FSA**



### Educational Availability

**Lower financial barriers and greater access to learning**

More affordable credentialing pathways and frequent testing windows makes it easier to take multiple exams per year, allowing you to achieve your professional credential sooner.



### Social Influence

**Stronger global connections and professional confidence**

SOA candidates become part of a trusted, inclusive global actuarial community that supports professional growth, fosters belonging, and creates long-term opportunities through shared standards and networks.

At the SOA, we believe talent is global—opportunity should be too. Through the Global Access Pricing, we're investing in the future of actuarial science by empowering students and professionals in developing markets to join and thrive in our community.



## Why Choose Us?

- ✓ Respected credentials recognized worldwide
- ✓ Multiple exam sittings per year to fit your schedule
- ✓ Cost-effective learning options for global candidates
- ✓ Global networking opportunities with top industry professionals

### The Global Access Pricing:

Tier	Description	Example Countries	ASA Discount	FSA Discount
Tier 1	High-Income Economies	U.S., Canada, Japan, Singapore	-	-
Tier 2	Upper-Middle-Income Economies	Mainland China, Malaysia, Mexico	20%	20%
Tier 3	Lower-Middle & Low-Income Economies	India, Pakistan, Egypt, Vietnam	40%	20%

### Important Note:

- Tier assignments are based on annual World Bank economic classifications.
- Discounts apply only when candidates reside and test in eligible countries.
- Eligibility is determined by the primary address listed in your SOA user profile, which must reflect your permanent residential address.
- Employer addresses or temporary mailing addresses do not qualify.

## World Bank Country Classifications (2026 Fiscal Year)



Economies are grouped by Gross National Income (GNI) per capita (2024 data):

- Low-income: \$1,135 or less
- Lower-middle income: \$1,136 – \$4,495
- Upper-middle income: \$4,496 – \$13,935
- High-income: \$13,935 or more

Gross National Income (GNI) measures the total income earned by a country's residents and businesses, including domestic income (GDP) and net income from abroad.

Note: 'country' and 'economy' are used interchangeably for statistical purposes and do not imply political independence.

### Check Your Eligibility

Visit [soa.org/globalaccess](http://soa.org/globalaccess) to:

- ✓ Review full program details
- ✓ Confirm your country's discount tier
- ✓ Ensure your SOA primary address is accurate
- ✓ Understand how discounts apply based on where you live and test

