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FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

What is FAS?

LINKING U.S. AGRICULTURE TO THE WORLD

Student and Full Time Employment Programs

What is FAS?

A Vital Role in Farm Exports

The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture works to improve foreign market access for U.S. products, build new markets, improve the competitive position of U.S. agriculture in the global marketplace, and provide food aid and technical assistance to foreign countries.



FAS has the primary responsibility for USDA's international activities—market development, trade agreements and negotiations, and the collection and analysis of statistics and market information. It also administers USDA's export credit guarantee and food aid programs, and helps increase income and food availability in developing nations by mobilizing expertise for agriculturally led economic growth. FAS also enhances U.S. agriculture's competitiveness by providing linkages to global resources and international organizations.

FAS implements a variety of scholarship and internship programs. These programs provide participants with an excellent opportunity to learn about issues, programs and activities related to international agricultural trade by working in either Washington, D.C. or one of the 90 FAS overseas offices.

At the same time, these programs allow FAS supervisors to appraise the student's potential for USDA employment and it gives students the opportunity to see firsthand if they are interested in a career in FAS. These experiences are also invaluable for students seeking agricultural trade-related jobs with the private sector.

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FAS Student Employment Programs

Summer Internship Program

- Must be a U.S. Citizen to apply
- Application deadline is mid February
- Studied economics, business, IT, biotechnology, law, public affairs, or international relations
- Must be a degree-seeking university student
- Program start and end dates are decided by supervisor and student
- Questions? Contact Nikia Sizer: Nikia.Sizer@usda.gov
- For more information: www.fas.usda.gov/admin/student/program.html#Summer_Internship_Program

We also hire summer interns through these programs. Please contact the program directly.

- ◆ **Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)** www.hacu.net
- ◆ **Work Force Recruitment Program for College Students with Disabilities (WRP)** www.dol.gov/odep/programs/workforc.htm
- ◆ **Washington Internship for Native American Students Program (WINS)** www.american.edu/wins/

1890 Scholar's Program

- Must be a U.S. Citizen to apply
- Application deadline is January 15 for admittance the following year
- 3.0 GPA
- SAT 1500 or ACT 21
- Must be seeking a bachelor's degree at an 1890 Historically Black Land-Grant Institution
- Must be a studying a subject related to agriculture, food, or natural resource sciences
- Scholarship provides full tuition, room, board, employment, employee benefits, books, and use of a personal computer. Program is 4 years
- Questions? Contact Saundra Holt: Saundra.Holt@fas.usda.gov
- For more information: www.ascr.usda.gov/1890programs.html

Public Service Leadership Scholarship Program

- Must be a U.S. Citizen to apply
- Application deadline is in October for admittance the following year
- 2.75 College GPA
- Provides full-tuition graduate level scholarships, paid internship leading to permanent employment, employee benefits, mentoring, career development, and leadership training, and use of a personal computer
- Program is a combined scholarship and internship for the promotion of public service and to improve access to higher education for undergraduate and graduate students studying agriculturally related fields.
- Questions? Contact Saundra Holt: Saundra.Holt@fas.usda.gov
- To apply: www.usdascholarships.com/applications

Career Intern Program

- Must be a U.S. Citizen to apply
- Application deadline information available online
- 3.0 GPA
- Must have Bachelors or Graduate Degree
- Must have agriculture/trade/science experience and skills in analysis, writing, teamwork, initiative, cultural awareness and technology
- 2 year training program with full time employee status
- Questions? Contact Nikia Sizer: Nikia.Sizer@usda.gov
- For more information: www.fas.usda.gov/admin/newjobs/careerintern1.html

International Internship Program

- Must be a U.S. Citizen to apply
- Application deadline available online
- 3.3 GPA
- Must have completed at least junior year of college before internship begins
- Must currently be enrolled, degree-seeking student when applying
- Must have agriculture/trade/science experience and skills in analysis, writing, teamwork, initiative, cultural awareness and technology
- Program is 10 to 16 weeks
- Questions? Contact IAIP Coordinator: Internships@fas.usda.gov
- For more information: www.fas.usda.gov/admin/student/iaip.index.htm

Faculty Fellowship Program

Objective: To increase the flow of information as outreach to minority serving higher education institutions and to provide an international agricultural experience to faculty that will assist them in providing guidance to students.

- Must be a U.S. Citizen to apply
- Currently serving as a faculty member of an institution of higher education.
- Have the approval of the college or university
- Submit application to Fellows Coordinator between December 15—April 15 of each year
- Questions? Contact Edwin Lewis: Edwin.Lewis@fas.usda.gov
- For more information: www.fas.usda.gov/admin/civilrights/facultyfellowship.asp

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