



Borlaug Fellowship Program

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The Norman E. Borlaug International Agricultural Science and Technology Fellowship Program promotes food security and economic growth in developing and middle-income countries by providing research and training opportunities for early and mid-career scientists and policymakers. Fellows accepted into the program are matched with experts from U.S. land-grant universities, government agencies and international research centers.

The Borlaug Fellowship Program honors Norman E. Borlaug, the American agronomist, humanitarian and Nobel laureate who is known as the “father of the Green Revolution.” Since the program’s inception in 2004, approximately 700 fellows from 64 countries have participated in research and training focused on a wide array of agriculture-related topics, including agronomy, veterinary science, nutrition, food safety, sanitary and phytosanitary issues, natural resource management, agricultural biotechnology, global climate change, agricultural economics and agricultural policy. Topics vary by country and by year and are detailed in the country-specific application announcements posted online at:

<http://www.fas.usda.gov/icd/borlaug/Borlaug.asp>

Eligibility

To be considered for the Borlaug Fellowship Program, candidates must:

- Be citizens of an eligible country
- Be fluent in English
- Have completed a Master’s or higher degree
- Be in the early or middle stage of their career, with at least two years of practical experience
- Be employed by a university, government agency or research entity in their home country
- Demonstrate their intention to continue working in their home country

Length of Fellowships

Fellowships generally last 6-12 weeks, depending on the research topic and funding availability.

Training Venues

Borlaug Fellows are hosted at U.S. land grant universities, research facilities of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and other U.S. government agencies, not-for-profit institutions and international agricultural research centers.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

Agricultural Policy Executive Leadership Program

The Borlaug Agricultural Policy Executive Leadership Program is targeted to senior agricultural policymakers from the independent states of the former Soviet Union and Sub-Saharan Africa. The program enhances participants' leadership skills and helps them build relationships with U.S. policymakers.

Feed the Future

Feed the Future is the United States government's global hunger and food security initiative. In partnership with Feed the Future, the Borlaug Program supports fellows' efforts to address the root causes of hunger and poverty and forge long-term solutions to chronic food insecurity and undernutrition. Eligible countries include Bangladesh, Ethiopia, Ghana, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Kenya, Nicaragua, Senegal, Tanzania and Uganda.

Global Cocoa Initiative

The Borlaug Program's Global Cocoa Initiative, sponsored by the World Cocoa Foundation, provides fellows from West Africa, Southeast Asia and Latin America with skills and knowledge to help their countries become more competitive in producing and exporting cocoa and cocoa products. Past research topics have included pest and disease prevention, regional cocoa production and market access.

Global Research Alliance

The Global Research Alliance engages developing countries in research to more clearly understand and mitigate the impacts of agriculture on climate change. Eligible countries are Colombia, Ghana, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Philippines and Vietnam.

For more information, please visit <http://www.fas.usda.gov/icd/borlaug/Borlaug.asp>.

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