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Scholarships and Fellowships

Asian Development Bank: Japan Scholarship Program

What: The Japan Scholarship Program provides an opportunity for well-qualified citizens of ADB's developing member countries to pursue postgraduate studies in economics, management, science and technology, and other development-related fields at participating academic institutions in the Asian and Pacific Region. The ADB-JSP provides full scholarships for one to two years.

Who: Citizens of ADB's developing member countries, not older than 35 years old.

When: Applications must be received at least six months prior to commencement of studies.

More: <http://www.adb.org/JSP/>

SEARCA Scholarships 2013-2014 for Master and PhD in Agriculture

What: The Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture (SEARCA) invites applications for its graduate scholarship (MS and PhD) in agriculture and related fields (including biological sciences, social sciences, economics and statistics, forestry and fisheries, environmental sciences, agro-industrial technology and engineering, biochemistry, and development management) for the academic year 2013-2014.

Who: The scholarship is open to nationals of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Indonesia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Myanmar, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Vietnam who are regular employees of academic or research institutions or government agencies and not older than 35 years old.

When: Closing date is 30 July 2012.

More: <http://beta.searca.org/searca/index.php/scholarship/regular-msphd-scholarships/graduate-scholarship>

Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute (STRI)

What: STRI offers various fellowship opportunities:

Three-year Postdoctoral Fellowships in Tropical Biology

Research should be based at one of STRI's facilities, but proposals that include comparative research on other tropical countries will be considered. Deadline - January 15, 2012.

Short-Term Fellowships

Primarily for graduate students but awards are made occasionally to undergraduate and postdoctoral candidates. These fellowships enable selected candidates to work in the tropics and explore research possibilities at STRI. The Ernst Mayr Fellowship is awarded to an outstanding short term fellowship candidate on an annual basis. (deadlines: March 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15).

Short-Term Fellowships for Students in Latin America, especially Central America and Panama

Support is provided for short-term projects and internships. Candidates must be from universities in Latin America, particularly Central America and Panama. (deadlines: March 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15).

A. Stanley Rand Fellowship Program

Support is provided for short-term research in the tropics focused on animal behavior, natural history, evolutionary biology, plant and animal ecology and environmental monitoring. (deadlines: March 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15).

Who: Applicants are evaluated on their academic standing, scholarly qualifications, experiences, the

quality of the research project or study proposed and its suitability to Smithsonian collections, facilities, and programs.

When: See above

More: <http://www.si.edu/ofg/fell.htm#fstri>

ANSTI/DAAD Postgraduate Fellowships

What: The German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) a publicly funded, self-governing organization of the institutions of higher learning in Germany, promotes international academic exchange as well as educational co-operation with developing countries through a variety of funding and scholarship programs. DAAD cooperates with ANSTI by offering a number of in-region scholarships for Masters and PhD degrees.

Who: Participants in the program must be from ANSTI member institutions and may not exceed the age limit of 36 years by date of nomination. Applicants may not apply for studies in their home countries. Fellowships, which cover fees, subsistence and international travel, are awarded to staff of ANSTI member institutions ([View ANSTI Members](#)) for postgraduate studies (MSc. or PhD) at African universities for staff development. Fellowships are awarded to sub-Saharan African nationals for studies outside the applicants' home countries.

When: Closing date is 31 May 2012

More: <http://anstigrants.unon.org/daad/>

Netherlands Organization for International Cooperation in Higher Education (NUFFIC): MENA Scholarships 2012

What: The Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs funds the MENA Scholarship Program to enable mid-career professionals in the MENA region to participate in short courses in the Netherlands. The courses must relate directly to the individual's professional specialization in fields that include water management; agriculture, forestry, and fisheries; and others. About 120 scholarships are awarded annually.

Who: Eligible countries are Algeria, Iraq, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Syria (currently suspended), and Tunisia.

When: Closing date is 02 July 2012

More: <http://www.nuffic.nl/international-students/scholarships/scholarships-administered-by-nuffic/mena-scholarship-programme>

OWSDW Postgraduate Fellowship for Women Scientists

What: The Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSDW) [Formerly the Third World Organization for Women in Science (TWOWS)] is an international autonomous organization based in Trieste, Italy. Both sandwich and full-time fellowships are available.

Who: The OWSDW Fellowship supports female students from Sub-Saharan Africa and Least Developed Countries (LDCs) who wish to pursue postgraduate training leading to a PhD at centers of excellence in developing countries. The fellowship supports research projects in the natural sciences. The minimum qualification of applicants is an MSc degree (or equivalent) or an outstanding BSc honors degree in a field of the natural sciences.

When: Closing date is 31 July 2012

More: <http://www.owsdw.org/> Click on 'Activities'.

Bangor University – Grants for MSc in Forestry via Distance Learning

What: Up to fifteen fully-funded scholarship grants are available for an MSc in Forestry by distance learning. The scholarships are worth £12,000 to cover tuition fees plus a £2,000 bursary to enable scholars to attend a study tour which will be held overseas in July/August. The scholarships are currently only available for entrants in September 2011.

Who: Applicants may be nationals of: Bangladesh, Botswana, Cameroon, The Gambia, Ghana, Guyana, India, Jamaica, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mauritius, Namibia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia.

When: Closing date is 28 May 2012.

More: http://www.bangor.ac.uk/courses/postgrad/taught/courses.php.en?view=course&prospectus_type=postgraduate&courseid=501&subjectarea=19

Academy of Sciences for the Developing World (TWAS) – Fellowships 2011

What: Each year, the TWAS Fellowship Programs, which operate under agreements with governments and national organizations in developing countries, offer a number of fellowships to young scientists from developing countries to carry out postgraduate research in developing countries other than their own. Host organizations are in Brazil, China, India, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Pakistan, and Thailand.

Who: Eligibility criteria depends on the program. See link to website below.

When: Closing dates range from 30 June to 15 September 2012 depending on the program.

More: <http://twas.ictp.it/prog/exchange/fells/fells-overview>

Dorothea Schlözer Scholarships/Fellowships for Female Academics undertaking Doctoral Studies and Research

What: In support of young scientists and scholars, the Presidential Board of Göttingen University – Foundation under Public Law – offers fellowships for female academics as part of the research-oriented gender equality standards of the German Research Foundation. Eligible faculties include agricultural sciences and forest sciences.

Who: Excellent young female scientists and scholars aiming for a senior position in academia/research who intend to conduct a research project in cooperation with scientists/scholars at the Georg-August-Universität

When: Closing date is 31 May 2012 for start in October 2012

More: <http://www.uni-goettingen.de/en/122481.html>

University of Malawi, Bunda College of Agriculture, Department of Aquaculture and Fisheries Science, PhD in Aquaculture and Fisheries Science – DAAD Scholarships

What: The program is designed for 3-4 years full-time study, specializing in either Aquaculture Production Technology or Fisheries Science and Management. Limited scholarships are available on a competitive basis through DAAD/Regional Universities Forum for Capacity Building in Agriculture (RUFORUM).

Who: Non-Malawians only may apply. Candidates must have an MSc in Aquaculture, Fisheries or related field from a recognized university.

When: Closing date for scholarship applications is 31 May 2012

More: [http://www.ruforum.org/system/files/file/Announcements/PhD%202012-13-PROGRAMME%20ANNOUNCEMENT%20Updated\(1\).pdf](http://www.ruforum.org/system/files/file/Announcements/PhD%202012-13-PROGRAMME%20ANNOUNCEMENT%20Updated(1).pdf)

UNESCO-L'OREAL International Fellowships Programme for Young Women in Life Sciences (2013)

What: The UNESCO-L'ORÉAL fellowships scheme focuses on UNESCO's premise that people are the world's greatest resource and that innovation and excellence, especially among the young women community, deserve to be supported and encouraged through the concerted efforts of the international community. The award of the fellowships constitutes a key strategy through which impetus is being given to the enhancement of the role of women in devising scientific solutions to problems confronting humankind in the twenty-first century.

Who: Candidates must already be engaged in pursuing research at the doctoral or post-doctoral level in one or allied fields of life sciences including biology, biochemistry, biotechnology, agriculture, medicine, pharmacy and physiology. Special attention will be given to candidatures from the [Least Developed Countries\(LDCs\)](#). Age limit 35 years.

When: Closing date is 15 July 2012

More: All applications must be channeled through the National Commission for UNESCO of the candidate's country. http://portal.unesco.org/en/ev.php-URL_ID=44170&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html

University of California at Davis – Borlaug LEAP Grants for Agricultural Research 2012

What: The Norman E. Borlaug Leadership Enhancement in Agriculture Program (Borlaug LEAP) is a fellowship program, funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), to enhance the quality of thesis research of graduate students from developing countries who show strong promise as leaders in the field of agriculture and related disciplines.

Who: Candidates will be a student and citizen of a sub-Saharan country (<http://leap.ucdavis.edu/eligibility>), currently enrolled as an MS or PhD student at a U.S. or developing country university.

When: Closing date is 12 June 2012.

More: <http://leap.ucdavis.edu/>

EC FP7 PEOPLE - Marie Curie Individual Fellowships

What: Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei (FEEM), an Italian leading research institute devoted to the study of sustainable development and global governance, FEEM welcomes Marie Curie Fellowship applications in its research topics in the field of economics and sustainable development. FEEM, as host institution, provides support to individual experienced researchers meeting the requirements of the FP7 People Programme to develop research proposals aimed at carrying out a full-time period of 12-24 months at FEEM (Milan or Venice offices) with reference to the following Marie Curie Individual Fellowship funding schemes:

- [Intra-European Fellowships for Career Development – IEF](#) , for mobility from EU Member States or [Associated Countries](#) to Italy.
- [International Incoming Fellowships – IIF](#) , for mobility from non-European Third Countries to Italy.

Who: Applicants should have a PhD degree or research experience of more than 4 years. Eligible researchers can be of any nationality and must not have resided or carried out their main activity in Italy for more than 12 months since August 2008. Female researchers and

candidates from [International Cooperation Partner Countries](#) (ICPC) are particularly encouraged to apply.

When: Closing date is 01 June 2012.

More: <http://www.feem.it/getpage.aspx?id=433> (scroll down)

ICE WaRM's Master of Water Resources Management Scholarships

What: The International Centre of Excellence in Water Resources Management (ICEWaRM) offers a scholarship program to high quality international students to study the multiple award-winning nested Master of Water Resources Management, including Graduate Certificate, Graduate Diploma and Masters options, delivered by its partner institutions. ICE WaRM offers full and partial scholarships toward the cost of the program (fee tuition, living costs are excluded).

Who: Any students of Water Resource Management.

When: Closing date is 31 August 2012 for applications to Semester 1 (February 2013).

More: <http://www.icewarm.com.au/page.php?pld=183>

The Ann Stroud Memorial Fellowship

What: The Ann Stroud Memorial Scholarship was established to support young African researchers in stepping beyond disciplinary boundaries or professional standards that limit the ability of research to serve rural African communities. The scholarship supports thesis research fellowships for postgraduate students wishing to conduct their thesis research in collaboration with ICRAF Scientists. The fellowships are tenable at any university in Eastern Africa (Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Ethiopia, and Rwanda). The upper limit for the support is US\$ 5,000 to cover field research and thesis production.

Who: Candidates must:

- be an national of Eastern Africa involved in agroforestry research, 35 years or less
- be registered for a postgraduate degree at a recognized university
- have completed their graduate degree (or be close to completion)

When: Closing date is 30 June 2012

More: http://www.worldagroforestrycentre.org/learning/individual_learning/scholarships/ann_stroud_scholarship

Crawford Fund Fellowship for 2012

What: The Crawford Fund Fellowship provides further training for an agricultural scientist whose work has shown potential. This prestigious Award provides an opportunity for the successful candidate to spend a period of focussed study and training in Australia, with resulting benefits to the Awardee as well as to their country's agriculture and Australia. The training will take place at an Australian institution and will emphasise the application of knowledge to increase agricultural production in the Fellow's home country.

Who: Candidates should be below the age of 35 and from a selected group of developing countries (Bangladesh, Bhutan, Burma, Cambodia, East Timor, Fiji, Indonesia, Laos, Nepal, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu and Kiribati, Vanuatu or Vietnam).

When: Closing date for nominations is 29 June 2012

More: <http://www.crawfordfund.org/training/awards/fellow/cfa2012.html>

Travel and Conference Grants

African Network of Scientific and Technological Institutions (ANSTI) Conference Grants

What: Grants to attend international meetings to present papers. A maximum amount of \$2,500 is awarded.

Who: Academic staff of ANSTI member institutions:
http://www.ansti.org/form_member_institutions.php

When: Applications are accepted all year round.

More: <http://www.ansti.org/grants.htm>

Hayek Fund for Scholars

What: The Hayek Fund for Scholars makes strategic awards of up to \$750 for career enhancing activities such as; presentations at academic or professional conferences, travel to academic job interviews, travel to and research at archives or libraries, participation in career development or enhancing seminars, distribution of a published article, submission of unpublished manuscripts to journals or book publishers.

Who: Graduate students and untenured faculty members of any nationality

When: Applications are accepted all year round.

More: <http://www.theihs.org/ContentDetails.aspx?id=516>

SEARCA Travel Grants

What: SEARCA provides Travel Grants to qualified agriculture and agriculture-related professionals and social scientists, including graduate students in an effort to reinforce the Center's efforts and resources in the promotion of agricultural competitiveness and natural resource management toward food security and poverty reduction in the region. Travel Grants provide financial support of up to a maximum of US\$1,200 to qualified applicants presenting scientific papers in international or local scientific fora.

Who: Southeast Asian nationals who are staff members of a development-oriented institution or a graduate student of a reputable university in Southeast Asia.

When: Travel Grant applications are evaluated on a quarterly basis in the third week of the last month of every quarter. The application letter and supporting documents must, therefore, be submitted on or before the second month of the quarter preceding the evaluation.

More: <http://www.searca.org/web/research/travelgrants/>

Research and Extension Grants

TWAS Research Grants Program in Basic Sciences

What: TWAS research grants are awarded to high-level promising research projects in biology, chemistry, maths and physics (not applied research) carried out by individual scientists or research units in the 80 S&T lagging countries (S&TLC) identified by TWAS.

Who: *Individual applicants* must be nationals of developing countries, hold a PhD, be at the beginning of their careers, and hold a position at a university or research institution in one of the 80 S&TLCs. As a general rule, the grants are awarded to scientists under the age of 45.

Applying *research units* must be led by a renowned researcher who is a national of a developing country, who holds a PhD and who has good research experience. The research unit must operate within a university or a research institution in one of the 80 S&TLCs .

When: Closing date is 31 August 2012

More: <http://twas.ictp.it/prog/grants/research-grants>

Elsevier Foundation – 2012 New Scholars Proposals

What: The New Scholars Program supports projects to help early- to mid-career women scientists balance family responsibilities with demanding academic careers and addresses the attrition rate of talented women scientists.

Who: Any science institution or organization actively working towards a more equitable academia

When: Closing date is 24 June 2012

More: <http://www.elsevierfoundation.org/new-scholars/how-to-apply/>

Elsevier Foundation – 2012 Innovative Libraries Proposals

What: The Innovative Libraries in Developing Countries program provides grants to libraries in the developing world helping to improve access to scientific, technical and medical information.

Who: Libraries in the developing countries and supporting organizations:

When: Closing date is 24 June 2012

More: <http://www.elsevierfoundation.org/innovative-libraries/how-to-apply/>

Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA): Small Grants Program for Thesis Writing

What: The Council for the Development of Social Science Research in Africa (CODESRIA) provides grants as part of the Council's contribution to the development of the social sciences in Africa, and the continuous renewal and strengthening of research capacities in African universities, through the funding of primary research conducted by postgraduate students and professionals. Hence, candidates whose applications are successful are encouraged to use the resources provided under the grants to cover the cost of their fieldwork, the acquisition of books and documents, the processing of data which they have collected and the printing of their theses/dissertations.

Who: Graduate students and professionals currently registered in African universities, and preparing their theses and dissertations in all social science fields and other disciplines involving social or economic analysis. Preference is given to those registered for doctoral studies (PhD or equivalent), though a few grants are available for Master's theses.

When: Closing date is 15 June 2012.

More: <http://www.codesria.org/spip.php?article1233&lang=en>

CODESRIA: Comparative Research Networks 2012

What: CODESRIA supports researchers in African universities and research centers through funding for Comparative Research Networks. The networks address priority research themes within CODESRIA's strategic plan, including: (i) Water and Water Resources in the Political Economy of Development and Citizenship; and (ii) Ecology, Climate, and Environmental Sustainability in

Africa (*among many other themes*). Recent grants range from US\$10 thousand to US\$35 thousand per network. CODESRIA favors CRNs which are multidisciplinary, sensitive to gender issues, and inclusive of younger scholars.

Who: Researchers based in African universities and centers of research

When: Closing date is 15 June 2012.

More: <http://www.codesria.org/spip.php?article1233&lang=en>

Christensen Fund Grants 2013

What: The Christensen Fund makes grants for projects that combine biodiversity with cultural diversity.

Who: Grant seeking organizations need to be US 501(c)(3) or a similar not-for-profit organization, government unit, university or museum either in the USA or in another country.

When: The window for proposals is from 01 August to 30 September 2012

More: <http://www.christensenfund.org/>

Southeast Asian Regional Center for Graduate Study and Research in Agriculture – Seed Fund for Research and Training (SFRT)

What: The SFRT is open in ASEAN member countries for competitive grants for up to USD15,000 in research and training related to agriculture and rural development. Projects must be innovative and is accompanied by an appropriate plan for developing it into a potentially large-scale research/training program greatly relevant to the agricultural and development needs of the region.

Who: Applicants will be Southeast Asian nationals of good moral character, graduates of at least a four-year degree, without significant funding support.

When: Closing date is 01 August 2012.

More: <http://www.searca.org/web/research/sfirt/index.html>

ERA-ARD Transnational Research Call

What: The theme of this call is: “Improving rural livelihoods in Sub-Saharan Africa: Sustainable and climate-smart intensification of agricultural production”. Initiation of projects is expected to be in the last months of 2012 and each project may run for 3 years. The call also aims to support and fund projects that will strengthen collaboration and networking with on-going projects and existing thematic networks. A little more than 1.6 m. euro has been committed by Austria, Belgium, France; Germany, Netherlands, Switzerland and Turkey.

Who: Research institutions

When: Closing date is 22 May 2012

More: <http://www.era-ard.org/joint-calls/open-call/#c1079>

Prizes and Awards

BBVA Foundation - Awards in Frontiers of Knowledge 2012

What: The BBVA Foundation annually makes awards to recognize innovative and fundamental advances in several areas of science, culture, and collaboration. The eight thematic areas include ecology and conservation biology; climate change; and development cooperation.

Who: The awards are open to individuals and organizations of any nationality.

When: Closing date is 30 June 2012.

More: <http://www.fbbva.es/TLFU/tlfu/ing/microsites/premios/fronteras/index.jsp>

Africa Thesis Award 2012

What: The African Studies Centre (ASC) in Leiden and Radio Netherlands Worldwide (RNW) will present the writer of the best thesis with a prize of €1000 and a publication in the ASC African Studies Collection. Any thesis thematically related to socio-geographical, economic, political, juridical or anthropological issues or focusing on the humanities such as history, religion and literature (but with the exception of language and/or semiotic studies) can be submitted. Its geographical focus should be on Sub-Saharan Africa or its migrant communities elsewhere in the world. The thesis must be socially relevant.

Who: Students of Dutch and African universities, who have recently finished their Masters thesis based on research in/on Africa with excellent results.

When: Closing date is 15 June 2012.

More: <http://www.ascleiden.nl/Research/Award/Default.aspx>

The Norman Borlaug Award for Field Research and Application - endowed by the Rockefeller Foundation

What: Nominations are invited for an individual under the age of 40 who has clearly emulated the traits exhibited by Dr Borlaug as a young scientist in the fight to eliminate global hunger. The chosen recipient will be honored with a US\$10,000 prize during a ceremony as part of the World Food Prize, 17-19 October 2012.

Who: Nominees must be under the age of 40 (40th birthday not reached before World Food Day, October 16, of the year in which the award is presented). They must be actively working in the discipline, research area, position, or on the project(s) for which they are being recognized.

When: Closing date is 30 June 2012

More: <http://www.worldfoodprize.org/index.cfm?nodeID=39531&audienceID=1>

CTA/FARA/IFS/ANAFE/RUFORUM Consortium – 2012-2013 Africa-wide ‘Women and Young Professionals in Science’ competitions

What: The 2012-2013 Africa-wide competitions will evaluate, recognize and reward the contributions of women and young professionals who are involved in: (i) pioneering and innovative research; (ii) communicating their research results and technological developments; and (iii) advocating for policy change as well as influencing policy processes through their research.

Who: Any science, technology and innovation (ST&I) related research and development activity linked to the theme “Feeding 1 billion in Africa in a changing world” which has been undertaken within the last five years and shows measurable impact (potential or demonstrated) on agricultural development or rural livelihoods in Africa, is eligible. Entrants are required to submit an extended abstract (1000 – 2000 words) that clearly details the ST&I project.

When: Closing date is 14 May 2012

More: <http://www.ruforum.org/news/reminder-call-abstracts-%E2%80%9C3rd-africa-wide-women-and-young-professionals-science-competitions%E2%80%9C-%E2%80%93>

Louis Malassis International Scientific Prize for Agriculture and Food 2012

What: The prize aims to recognize individuals, or a group of individuals, for their exemplary and promising contribution in promoting innovation through research, development and capacity building in the North, South or in the Mediterranean, in order to improve food and agricultural systems sustainability as well as contribute to addressing food security and poverty reduction. There are two categories: Louis Malassis Distinguished Scientist and Louis Malassis Young Promising Scientist.

Who: Candidates should be nominated by an organization or institution from any of the following categories: (a) Academic or research organization, public or private, (b) Civil society organization, (c) Private sector group (e.g., small/medium enterprises). A group nomination should consist of no more than three persons. Each nominee (and each member of a group, in the case of a group nomination) should meet the following criteria:

- a. For the “Distinguished Scientist Prize” Category
 - Holds a PhD degree
 - At least 15 years of professional experience
 - Proven significant contribution in one or various fields covered by the Prize
- b. For the “Young Promising Scientist” Category
 - Holds a PhD degree
 - At least 5 years of professional experience
 - Demonstrated potential in one or various fields covered by the Prize
 - Should be no more than 40 years old by 01 January 2012

When: Closing date is 16 July 2012

More: <http://www.agropolis-fondation.fr/uk/our-actions/Malassis-Prize.html>

Resources

G&D guidelines on **how to write a winning proposal at:**

www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/Newsletter/Tipsforgoodproposal.doc

G&D tips for **Publishing and Presentations at:**

www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/Cast_the_net/PUBLISHINGTIPS.pdf

Tips on preparing winning science posters and presentations at:

<http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/resource/conference.asp>

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http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/cast_the_net/funds_scholarships.asp

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http://www.genderdiversity.cgiar.org/cast_the_net/edit_entry.asp

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