A Guide to Grants and Fellowships in International Forestry and Natural Resources

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Grants, Scholarships, and Fellowships International Forestry and Natural Resources Comment Form

Please make your comments, criticisms, or suggestions:		
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Signature:		
Name (Please Print):		
Organization		
Organization:		
Date: _		

Please send to: Training and Education Coordinator Forestry Support Program, USDA Forest Service/IF, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, DC 20090-6090, USA. Tel. (202) 453-9589 Fax. (202) 453-3603

Appendix II Foundation Update Forms

Grants, Scholarships, and Fellowships International Forestry and Natural Resources Information Form

Name of Organization:
Contact Person and Title:
Street address:
City, State, Zip:
Country:
Phone: Fax: Telex:
Title of Program:
Description of Program:
Purpose of Program:
Eligibility Requirements:
Number of Awards:
Duration of Awards:
Stipend and Allowances:
Application Deadlines:
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Appendix I

Foundations and Organizations That Do Not Award International Forestry Grants and Fellowships

During the compilation of this directory, the following organizations were contacted but indicated that they do not award grants or fellowships for international forestry study or research. Please do not send letters of inquiry, applications, or proposals for international study or research to these foundations.

The Abelard Foundation

Academy for Educational Development

The African-American Labor Center

American Business Women's Association

American Geophysical Union

American Institute for Free Labor Development

Asia-American Free Labor Institute

Atlantic Richfield Foundation

The Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation

Bauman Family Foundation

The Beldon Fund

The William Bingham Foundation

CARE

Mary Flagler Cary Charitable Trust

Changing Horizons Charitable Trust

Chicago Community Trust

The Council on Foreign Relations

The Jessie B. Cox Trust

The C.S. Fund

Davis Conservation Foundation

Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation

Camille and Henry Dreyfuss Foundation, Inc

Environmental Education Network of the Philippines

Environment Liaison Centre

The Field Corporation Fund

The Flintridge Foundation

Fund for Friendship and Justice

The Fund for New Jersey

Goldman Environmental Foundation

Harder Foundation

Hawaii Community Foundation

The International Human Rights Internship Program

Ittleson Foundation, Inc.

Japan Forestation Centre

The W.K. Kellogg Foundation

The Lyndhurst Foundation

Marpat Foundation, Inc.

The McIntosh Foundation

The McLean Contributionship

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The Robert S. McNamara Fellowship

Meals for Millions

Richard King Mellon Foundation

The Curtis and Edith Munson Foundation, Inc.

The National Association for Foreign Student Affairs

National Geographic Society Education Foundation

The Nature Conservancy

Needmor Fund

New England Biolabs Foundation

New Hampshire Charitable Fund

New York Community Trust

North Shore Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program

Ottinger Foundation

The David and Lucille Packard Foundation

Amelia Peabody Charitable Fund

William Penn Foundation

James C. Penney Foundation

Ellis L. Phillips Foundation

Presidential Management Intern (PMI) Program

Rare Center for Tropical Bird Conservation

Recreational Equipment, Inc.

The San Franciso Foundation

Shalan Foundation

The Tides Foundation

Town Creek Foundation, Inc.

The U.S. Information Agency

The U.S. Office of Personnel Management

Weyerhauser Foundation

more than 15 typewritten, double-spaced pages plus supporting materials and should include: 1) a title page headed Osborn Center Forestry Policy Grants Program; 2) abstract (one page) of project objectives and activities; 3) project description; 4) policy significance; and 5) communication of results. II. Supporting Materials: These should include the following appendices: 1) an itemized budget in \$US and appropriate

national currency; 2) a curriculum vitae for each principal investigator; 3) bibliographic references; and 4) letters of recommendation. For additional information, contact the World Wildlife Fund and The Conservation Foundation - Suite 500, Osborn Center Forestry Policy Grants, WWF. Telephone: (202) 778-9705, Telex: 64505 PANDA, or Fax (202) 293-9211.

principal investigator.

Number of Awards: Approximately 20 grants periodically; this program is not annual.

Duration of Awards: Maximum 2 years.

Amount of Awards: Approximately \$12,000 to 15,000 per year.

Application Deadlines: November 15, 1990. Unfortunately, the deadline has passed for the 1991 awards. Contact the Research Grants Competition, Biodiversity Support Program for the next deadline.

Application Requirements: Proposals may be written in French, Spanish, Portuguese, or English and should include the following: an executive summary (one page); the main body of text (8 pages maximum, double-spaced); literature cited; and a detailed budget, with justification. The budget should be reported in \$US and should categorize and detail expenses under the following headings: salaries/honoraria; travel and per diem; other direct costs; and indirect costs or overhead. Financial and in-kind contributions to the project from other sources should also be included. The curriculum vitae of key personnel should be included in the appendix. When field work is planned, concurrence from local government authorities (e.g., research permits) are required prior to financial approval, but is not necessary at the time of approval. For more information, contact the Research Grants Competition, Biodiversity Support Program, WWF.

Title of Program: 2. Osborn Center Forestry Policy Grants

A. Policy Studies

B. Forum for Policy Dialogue

Description of Program: The Osborn Center for Economic Development is a joint program of the WWF and the Conservation Foundation; it addresses issues of tropical forest resources and their role in the socioeconomic and environmental status of many developing countries, and especially in the welfare of poor rural inhabitants. This program should help demonstrate the benefits from improved management of forest resources including the potential contributions to economic development. The program has three unifying principles: anti- poverty focus, sustainability, and local involvement. Two complementary types of grant activities are supported under this program:

A. Policy Studies - that provide critical examination of policy issues affecting the use of forest resources and which offer feasible recommendations for change. Research may directly address forestry policies or support field-based studies that examine the local policy content.

B. Forums for Policy Dialogue - that enable in-country organizations to convene forest policy working groups to stimulate cooperation among diverse interests, improve understanding among decision makers on key forest policy issues, legitimize non-traditional ap proaches to managing forest resources, and strengthen capabilities of local institutions to participate in national level policy dialogues. Emphasis is given to such activities as meetings, workshops, and seminars.

Purpose of Program: To stimulate policy research and dialogue around key issues concerning the management, utilization, and control of forest resources in developing countries.

Eligibility Requirements: Individuals or collaborating groups from developing countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa, and Asia; grants, however, may include a component for collaboration from qualified individuals who are nationals of developed countries. Although nationals from one developing country whose work focuses on another country are eligible, priority is given to work conducted incountry. Candidates should have completed their formal training in forestry, planning, law, social sciences, or other fields directly related to their proposed work. Students doing work leading to advanced degrees are eligible for grants, but the grants do not support course work or tuition. Grantees may conduct work in conjunction with host-country institutions such as universities, non-governmental organizations, research centers, government agencies, and field projects. Applicants are encouraged to obtain partial sponsorship, inkind contributions, or additional research support from their employers or affiliated institutions. Awards are given to permit collaboration on joint research projects and policy dialogue activities.

Number of Awards: Depends on the annual budget and the size of the proposed projects.

Duration of Awards: 1 to 2 years.

Amount of Awards: \$5,000 to \$25,000 per year; applicants are encouraged not to view the maximum grant as a target. Grants are primarily intended to support the work of individuals, but can also cover reasonable costs of affiliated institutions.

Application Deadlines: Call or write the Osborn Center Forestry Policy Grants Office for current dates.

Application Requirements: The proposals are long and detailed; therefore, interested applicants should send a preliminary letter of inquiry describing their proposed work before preparing a formal application. Each application should be submitted by the principal investigator(s) and may be written in English, Spanish, Portuguese, or French. Applications should be organized according to the following two categories: I. Project Proposal: The proposal should not be

the tuition charges at the host university and the living costs in the host country. The scholarship provides annual awards to cover the cost of completing a Master's degree program or its equivalent or studying toward a Ph.D.; it normally does not cover the period of doctoral thesis preparation.

Application Deadlines: Mid-March.

Application Requirements: Participants must complete a standard application form and present an estimate of detailed expenses as supplied by the host university to cover tuition and administrative fees, insurance, language proficiency program fees (if necessary), subsistence allowance for one person, and economy class travel for one person. For more information, contact the Graduate Scholarship Program, The World Bank.

The World Bank Volunteer Services

The World Bank Volunteer Services The World Bank Room I 1-172 1818 H Street, NW Washington, DC 20433 USA

Phone: (202) 473-8751 Fax: (202) 676-04

Title of Program: The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund Grants

Description of Program: The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund was established in 1981 to honor the late Margaret McNamara and her long-time commitment to the well-being of women in developing countries. The grant awards have been made to women in a variety of fields that contribute to the development process in their countries. International forestry and natural resources are possible fields for the grant.

Purpose of Program: To give women from developing countries who are studying in the United States the opportunity to expand their knowledge and skills; the ultimate purpose is to help improve the lives of women and children in the developing world.

Eligibility Requirements: Grants are given to women who are: 1) nationals of low-income developing countries; 2) enrolled in an accredited educational institution in the U.S.; 3) interested in issues that relate to women and children; 4) planning to return to their countries within two years of the date on which the grants are made; 5) in need of financial assistance for tuition fees, books, and living expenses; and 6) not related to a World Bank staff member or spouse. Referrals for grants come from colleges and universities, World Bank resident missions, and individuals who know the fund. In

addition to the criteria above, the Selection Committee reviews all applications for: work experience; importance of field study; and demonstrated commitment to women's needs and leadership potential.

Number of Awards: 2 per year.

Duration of Awards: Approximately 2 years.

Amount of Awards: Approximately \$6,000 each.

Application Deadlines: Application materials must be received by February 1. The announcement of the grant recipients is April 15.

Application Requirements: Applicants must send the following to the Fund: 1) a Grant application form; 2) recommendation forms from two faculty members with whom they have undertaken course work or research, one of whom has known the applicant for at least two years; and 3) an Estimate of Expenses for Foreign Students published by the Foreign Student Advisor of Financial Advisor or a statement signed by one of them. Write to The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund, World Bank Volunteer Services, World Bank, for the current application procedures.

World Wildlife Fund (WWF)

1250 24th Street, NW Washington, DC 20037 USA

Phone: (202) 778-9600 Fax: (202) 293-9211 Telex: 64505 PANDA

Title of Program: 1. Conservation of Biological Diversity

Description of Program: The Biodiversity Support Program (BSP), and Agency for International Development (A.I.D.)-funded joint venture of WWF, the Nature Conservancy, and the World Resources Institute/Center for International Development and Environment offers this grant program in biodiversity research. Biodiversity research may be ecological, economic, anthropological, or socio-political in focus, or it may combine two or three of these approaches.

Purpose of Program: To fund research addressing specific issues relevant to A.I.D.'s conservation and natural resource management activities worldwide.

Eligibility Requirements: Preference will be given to projects designed and implemented by scientists from A.I.D.-assisted countries, or to studies in which funding from the Biodiversity Support Program will permit the participation of host-country researchers in larger, team projects. Priority is given to those projects in which a host-country scientist is the

Application Requirements: Applicants must submit: a completed application form, transcripts of complete undergraduate and graduate records, a minimum of three letters of recommendations, and a concise statement describing research interests. For more information on current application procedures, contact the Fellowship Committee, Education Office, Clark Laboratory, WHOI.

Title of Program: 3. Research Fellowships in Marine Policy and Ocean Management

Description of Program: Qualified individuals in the social and natural sciences are invited to apply their training and expertise to the economic, legal, and political issues that arise from uses of the world's oceans. Topics of interest include marine biological diversity, the quality of marine habitats and marine reserves, the impacts of sea-level change, and the industrial organization of advanced marine technologies. Other research interests may also be appropriate.

Purpose of Program: There are three objectives: 1) to provide support and experience to Research Fellows interested in marine policy issues; 2) to provide opportunities for interdisciplinary application of social sciences and natural sciences to marine policy problems; and 3) to conduct research and convey information necessary for the development of effective local, national, and international policy.

Eligibility Requirements: Citizenship is unrestricted.

Applicants must have completed a doctoral-level degree or possess equivalent professional qualification through career experience. Experienced professionals who can arrange a leave or sabbatical are welcome.

Duration of Awards: One year; however, opportunities may be available to continue a professional affiliation with the Center.

Number of Awards: Variable; for additional information, contact the Education Office, Clark Laboratory, WHOI.

Amount of Awards: \$32,500 plus modest research and travel funds.

Application Deadlines: January 15, 1990; applicants are notified by March 31.

Application Requirements: A complete package consists of: a completed application form, transcripts of college and university records, and at least three personal references. A preliminary, but precise, proposal for research is necessary. For additional information, contact the Dean of Graduate Studies, Education Office, Clark Laboratory, WHOI.

The World Bank (WB)

Graduate Scholarship Program The World Bank Room M 4001 1818 H Street, NW Washington, DC 20433 USA

Phone: (202) 334-8162

Title of Program: Graduate Scholarship Program

Description of Program: The World Bank with, grant funding from the Government of Japan, awards scholarships to individuals from World Bank member countries with recent public service professional experience to take graduate work at universities of reputable research and testing in development. Graduate scholarships have been awarded in the following fields: economics, development economics, agricultural economics, agricultural studies, business or public administration, environmental planning, foreign service, forestry, geography, hydrology, international studies, and land economy.

Purpose of Program: To create a community of highly-trained professionals working in economic development-related fields who will retain intellectual, if not professional, ties with the World Bank. The program is intended as a means to increase the number of scholarships already available from all sources and not as a substitute for other scholarships.

Eligibility Requirements: Open to nationals of World Bank member countries who meet the following criteria: under 45 years years of age (normally under 35); are in good health; hold a bachelors degree or equivalent in the social sciences, law, business, public administration, or any other development-related technical discipline; have a superior academic record; have at least two years of recent experience in a public agency or public service organization engaged in development-related activities; and have gained admittance for a Master's- or Ph.D.-level program at a university renowned for development research and teaching. Executive directors, their alternates, and staff of the World Bank Group, as well as their close relatives, are ineligible. Although priority is given to students from developing countries, applicants from industrialized countries are encouraged to apply. The selection process for these awards is extremely competitive; scholarship awards are only given to those who excel in both their academic and public service activities.

Number of Awards: Approximately 50 to 60 each year.

Duration of Awards: Normally 2 years.

Amount of Awards: Approximately \$20,000 per year, not including transportation. The total value varies according to