



Fellowship Guidelines for 2015

Building Capacity for Ocean Management

Oceans contain the greatest diversity of life on Earth, yet less than 3 percent of the world's oceans are protected and more than 60 percent are located in international waters, outside any one country's jurisdiction. WWF is working around the world to protect oceans and the human and marine communities that depend on them.

WWF's mission in the Pacific and in the Indian Oceans is to ensure strong stakeholder participation to conserve rich oceans and coastal diversity and address threats from climate change, overfishing, and unsustainable marine resource management.

Fellowship Overview

To build local capacity across the Pacific Ocean and the Indian Ocean, WWF's Russell E. Train Education for Nature Program (EFN) is offering fellowships to future conservation leaders to enable them to pursue graduate-level study (master's and PhD) in conservation-related fields. The goal of the program is to empower individuals to advance marine conservation in their home countries.

Applicants may apply for up to two years of funding and request up to \$30,000 per year. The application deadline is 28 February 2015. Interested applicants are invited to visit www.worldwildlife.org/efn for more information.

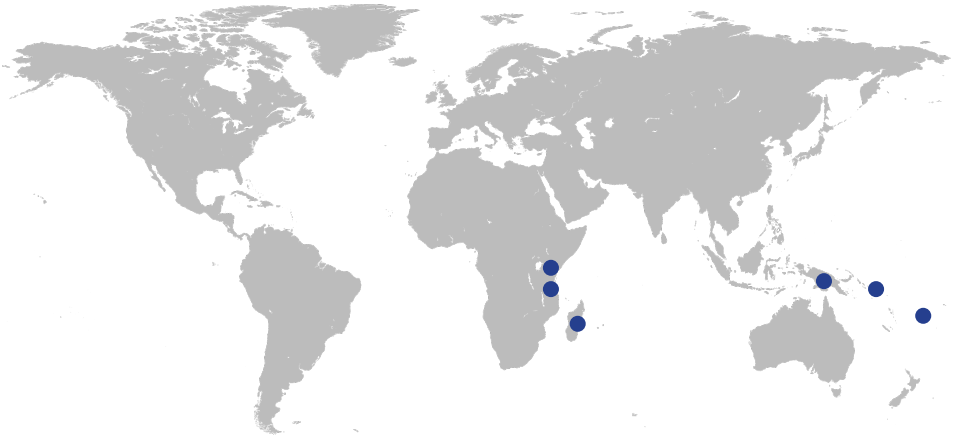
Eligibility Criteria

- You must be a citizen and legal permanent resident of an eligible country.
- You must have at least two years of conservation-related work or research experience.
- You must have a demonstrated commitment to working in conservation in an eligible country.
- Your research or academic program must address one of the focus areas listed.
- You must be enrolled in, admitted to, or have applied to a master's or PhD program anywhere in the world.
- You must plan to begin your studies no later than January 2016.
- You must commit to working for at least two years in your home country after the completion of your degree.
- You must not have received a Train Scholarship or Fellowship in the past.
- You must contact EFN if you are a WWF employee, consultant, or previous EFN grant recipient.

Eligible Countries

Candidates from the following countries are eligible to apply:

- Fiji
- Kenya
- Madagascar
- Papua New Guinea
- Solomon Islands
- Tanzania



Focus Areas

The following are eligible fields of study for fellowships:

- marine science
- environmental policy, law or governance
- sustainable global fisheries management
- ecosystem management
- fisheries management
- improving fisheries data collection and monitoring
- species conservation
- climate change adaptation

Research Questions for PhD Candidates

In addition to the above criteria, PhD candidates should address one of the following research questions in their application and within their doctoral program:

- What would a feasible, effective and efficient seafood traceability program consist of in your country?
- What would a feasible and effective MPA monitoring system consist of in your country?
- What are innovative ways to strengthen marine policy enforcement in regional waters where the “rule of law” is not sufficiently strong?

How to Apply

Applicants can access the online application at: www.worldwildlife.org/efn

**February
28
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Candidates must submit a completed application with all supporting documents by this deadline. Please email questions to efn@wwfus.org. Please include your nationality.