



Student Research Fellowships 2019-20

The World Vegetable Center (WorldVeg) is a non-profit, autonomous international agricultural research center with headquarters in Taiwan and five regional offices in Africa and Asia. WorldVeg conducts research and development programs that contribute to realizing the potential of vegetables for healthier lives and more resilient livelihoods.

WorldVeg provides opportunities for MSc and PhD students from around the world to conduct part of their degree programs at its headquarters or at one of its regional centers. Students work within the context of WorldVeg's four flagship programs: Safe and Sustainable Value Chains; Healthy Diets; Vegetable Diversity and Improvement; and Enabling Impact. For more information please visit our website: worldveg.org

WorldVeg collaborates with universities to enable students to register and acquire degrees. WorldVeg scientists will involve students in ongoing research projects while ensuring a good fit with the student's interest and background – in consultation with the student and the faculty mentor of the university awarding the degree.

Fellowship details

For 2019-2020, the Center intends to select a limited number of MSc and PhD students, from universities around the world, to conduct research at its headquarters in Taiwan. A full fellowship is comprised of the following:

- A stipend of US\$ 500 / month to cover living expenses in Taiwan
- Accommodation at WorldVeg HQ for the duration of stay in Taiwan
- Round trip direct route economy airfare to/from Taiwan
- Travel, health and accident insurance cover

Nationals from the following South Asian and South-East Asian countries may be eligible for a full fellowship: Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, Philippines, Malaysia, Myanmar, Cambodia, Laos, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Sri Lanka, and Bhutan. Students of other nationalities may be eligible for a partial scholarship.

Duration

MSc students: 6 months.

PhD students: 6 – 24 months.

Application deadline

10 November 2019

Supervision

Students will be supervised by scientists from WorldVeg in close collaboration with the student's university faculty mentor. If needed students will be offered additional training on e.g. research methodology, data management, and scientific writing.

Research topics

Please refer to the list of research topics provided as part of this announcement. These are indicative areas for research the WorldVeg scientists are currently interested to work with the MSc/PhD students.

Location

Students will be based at WorldVeg Headquarters in Shanhua, Tainan, Taiwan. The Center's campus has good accommodation, cafeteria and recreation facilities.

How to apply

Applications must be submitted using the [application form](#) along with a statement of interest (no longer than 2 pages) by email to studentresearch@worldveg.org. The application and statement of interest should be in English. Along with the application, students must also submit the following:

- Copy of passport;
- Curriculum Vitae (CV), work history and education. CVs should be no longer than two pages;
- Proof of registration at an accredited university for MSc and PhD programs;
- A letter of authorization from the Dean/Head of Department of the university, permitting the student to undertake research at WorldVeg as part of the course requirements.

Selection process

Only students who are shortlisted for a virtual interview will be informed. Accepted students will be permitted to start their research work as soon as possible, based on an agreement signed between the student and WorldVeg. The starting date will be discussed and mutually agreed between the student, WorldVeg and academic supervisors.

For any questions / clarifications please contact Ms. Aileen Kuo (aileen.kuo@worldveg.org).