

COMPTON FOUNDATION/POPULATION REFERENCE BUREAU

INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

IN POPULATION, ENVIRONMENT, AND HUMAN SECURITY

Since 2001 the Compton Foundation and the Population Reference Bureau (PRB) have collaborated to increase the capacity of outstanding graduate students from sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America to improve and/or influence policy for the effectiveness of population, family planning, and reproductive health programs in the developing world.

In the spirit of this collaboration and to fulfill its objectives, the Compton Foundation is making available fellowships through PRB for capstone/internship work and dissertation research on topics that examine the interactions linking population dynamics/family planning/reproductive health with environmental and/or human security issues. **This Fellowship provides highly motivated individuals with a unique opportunity to explore these very important interactions.** Fellowship recipients must also be committed to returning to their country or region of origin to apply the skills and education they acquired and make substantial contributions to the field.

The Compton Fellowship program also aims to maintain a community of Fellows over time that encourages research-based linkages among these fields.

Eligibility

Students from sub-Saharan Africa and Latin America who are currently enrolled full-time in Ph.D. or Master's programs in academic institutions in the United States and Canada are eligible to apply. Applications are especially sought from students in the fields of population dynamics, family planning, and reproductive health interested in exploring the interconnections that exist with environmental/sustainability and/or human security issues.

Those in Master-degree programs need to be in second-year or advanced programs which require their graduates to engage in a capstone/internship experience.

For Ph.D. students, the fellowships are for advanced students who have an approved research proposal and who are seeking support for field research to be carried out in a developing country (it does not need to be the same country as the applicant's country of origin). This field work should contribute directly to completing their dissertation.

Students need to demonstrate the capability to express themselves without problem in English.

Fellowship Award

The Compton Foundation/PRB International Fellowship will support up to 2 Master and up to 4 Ph.D. level fellowships per year starting in 2008.

- The Master's fellowship recipients will be awarded up to \$10,000 each, normally limited to a period of one year.
- The Ph.D. fellowships will be awarded in the amounts of up to \$20,000 each, normally limited to a period of one year.

Selected fellows will become part of the community of Compton/PRB supported professionals which includes attending a 3-day meeting in September, and participating in an electronic network of past and current fellows.

Application Requirements

The deadline for applying is **December 14, 2007**. Please submit the following:

- Cover letter
- Application form (download at www.prb.org)
- Curriculum Vitae with full list of educational and other professional activities.
- Abstract of Master's capstone/internship or dissertation topic (250 words maximum) that explores the interactions linking population dynamics/family planning/reproductive health and environmental and/or human security issues. Please provide a brief rationale demonstrating how your capstone/internship or research will contribute to the Fellowship program's objectives and summarize expected outcomes.
- Budget for use of the Fellowship award with necessary supporting documentation (e.g., if there is travel involved, please submit an itinerary that shows cost).
- For Master's capstone/internship please provide a letter of acceptance from the organization where the capstone/internship will take place.
- Two letters of recommendation: one from your academic advisor and one from another faculty member.

Please submit all application materials electronically (or hard copy) to:

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