



Food and Agriculture
Organization of the
United Nations

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FAO FELLOWS PROGRAMME

➤ What is FAO?

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) is an intergovernmental organization comprised of 194 Member Nations, two associate members and one member organization, the European Union. Founded in 1945 to free humanity from hunger and malnutrition, achieving food security is at the heart of FAO. Our three main goals are: the eradication of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition; the elimination of poverty and the driving forward of economic and social progress for all; and the sustainable management and utilization of natural resources, including land, water, air, climate and genetic resources for the benefit of present and future generations. To achieve these goals, FAO focuses its resources and programmes to achieve five strategic objectives:



**Help eliminate hunger,
food insecurity and
malnutrition**



**Make agriculture,
forestry and fisheries
more productive
and sustainable**



Reduce rural poverty



**Enable inclusive and
efficient agricultural
and food systems**



**Increase the resilience
of livelihoods to threats and crises**

➤ Overview of the FAO's Fellows Programme

FAO's Fellows Programme is designed to attract PhD students, researchers and professors with an advanced level of technical knowledge and experience relevant to FAO. By contributing their technical knowledge and expertise to FAO's areas of specialization, prospective candidates will broaden and diversify the Organization's global pool of know-how, while at the same time gaining valuable access to FAO's world-class methodologies and strategies in defeating hunger.

Potential candidates must be willing to fulfil their specialized learning objectives and at the same time contribute their technical expertise and knowledge through time-bound arrangements with FAO. The Fellows Programme, along with FAO's Internship and Volunteer Programmes, supports the achievement of the Organization's Strategic Objectives as well as the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

The duration of a Fellows assignment will vary according to the time-bound mutual agreement with FAO.

FAO does not provide any remuneration to fellows.

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➤ **Fellows Programme Eligibility Criteria**

Nationality: candidates must be nationals of FAO Member Nations. For a complete list of FAO Member Nations, please access this link here: <http://www.fao.org/legal/home/fao-members/en/>

Age: no age limit as long as candidates meet the below education requirement.

Education: candidates must possess a graduate or post-graduate degree (Master's or PhD) or be enrolled in a PhD programme.

Languages: candidates must have working knowledge of at least one FAO official language (English, French, Spanish, Arabic, Chinese or Russian). Knowledge of a second FAO official language will be considered an asset.

Skills: candidates should be able to adapt to an international multi-cultural environment, have good communication skills and be knowledgeable in the use of basic computer programmes.

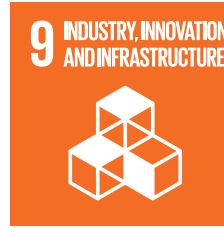
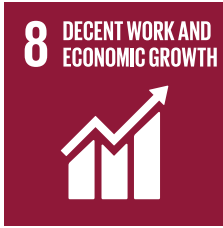
Previous experience: candidates must have at least two years of relevant working or research experience in one of FAO's fields of specialization.

Residence/Visa status: candidates should have appropriate residence or immigration status in the country of assignment.

Family relations: candidates with family members (defined as brother, sister, mother, father, son or daughter) employed by FAO under any type of contractual arrangement, will not be eligible.



➤ **FAO's Goals and Strategic Objectives aligned with the UN's Sustainable Development Goals**



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



How to apply

- Apply to the “Call for Expression of Interest” which is published on the FAO employment web site at:
<http://www.fao.org/employment/home/en/>
- Interested candidates must apply through the i-Recruitment system
<http://www.fao.org/employment/irecruitment/en/> by submitting an on-line application form together with a research proposal.
- Only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.
- For more details, please visit the Fellows FAQ
<http://www.fao.org/employment/collaborate-with-us/fellows-programme/faq/en/>

Fellows assignments sponsored by other institutions:

Candidates may contact their academic or other institutions to sponsor fellows assignments at FAO. Those already sponsored can apply through the Call for Expression of Interest.

For more information, please contact:

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