

Visiting Graduate Research Fellowship Application

The Kirkhouse Trust sponsored Visiting Graduate Research Fellowship Program at the University of Virginia is focused on research training and capacity building for sub-Saharan Africa. Qualified graduate students from all African nations are eligible to apply.

Guidelines for application:

1. All applicants need to complete the application material below and provide a copy of their academic transcript from their home institution and three (3) letters of recommendation from faculty members familiar with their research and academic potential. One letter must be from the faculty advisor or the student or the Head of Department.
2. Applicants should be in a MSc (MPhil) or PhD program at their home institution and have completed all (MSc and MPhil candidates) or the majority (PhD candidates) of their course work before beginning the training program.
3. The University of Virginia will provide financial support for the MSc/PhD students for a one year period of research training and will help arrange accommodations upon arrival and travel of the student to the US.
4. It will be the student's responsibility to provide adequate and accurate information for VISAs.
5. The applicant must be able to demonstrate that they will return to their country of origin once the training period is completed MSc/PhD is complete.
6. The students research background and degree program must relate to crop improvement (preferably cowpea or related legumes) and their research must be relevant to the student's country of origin.

The completed form (below), Curriculum Vitae (Biodata), and letters of recommendation can be sent by e-mail to mpt9g@virginia.edu

Or by post /Fax to the following address

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Family Name:	
Given Name:	
Middle Initial:	
Home Address:	
Local Address:	
Date of Application	
Current Institution and Degree Program	
Proposed Start Date of Training	
Signature of Applicant	
Name, Department and e-mail address of Research Supervisor	
Confirmation of acceptance by Supervisor	
Proposed research project and its relevance to the applicant's country of origin (<i>in less than 200 words</i>) <i>Attach separate page if necessary</i>	Title: