

YALE UNIVERSITY- SCHOOL OF FORESTRY & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES
CAMERON SPETH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
2014 Guidelines for Master's Degree Students

The Cameron Speth Fellowship provides funding for students from developing nations and Japan to carry out summer internships at the National Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and the World Resources Institute (WRI), two institutions founded by Dean Speth. Dean Speth received the Blue Planet Prize from the Asahi Glass Foundation of Japan in 2002 and donated part of his award to the NRDC and WRI in honor of his wife, Cameron. One student at each organization will be awarded a fellowship for a 10 to 12 week internship over the summer of 2014. Fellowships are generally for \$5,000 and are paid by each host organization.

Candidate eligibility and selection criteria:

- Master's degree students are to come from developing countries or Japan;
- Likely to contribute to environmental policy and program development in developing countries, and (have the) potential to reach others through future teaching and research, or as policymakers and/or program managers;
- Master's degree students returning to F&ES in the fall of 2014.

Application Process:

- The host institutions provide a list of open internship positions to the Career Development Office.
- The Career Development Office will alert students as soon as details are available.
- Students apply directly to the internships and selection decisions are made by the host institutions.

NRDC Fellows

Renzo Mendoza Castro, NRDC, 2013

Ankur Garg, NRDC, 2012

Sameer Kwatra, NRDC, International Initiatives, Washington, DC, 2011

- Worked on issue papers related to US India Cooperation on Climate Change and Energy

Bidisha Banerjee, NRDC, Washington, DC, 2009

- Worked on US-India partnerships on climate and clean energy in advance of Copenhagen. Organized and attended meetings with State Dept, EPA, and Dept of Energy to research the status quo

Tiaming Chen, NRDC, New York, NY, 2008

- Urban smart growth research in China.

Anshuman Tiwari, NRDC, Washington, DC, 2007

- Research intern, preparing analysis of wide range of Oil Sands in Canada, hydro-development in Chile, renewable energy and GHG reduction strategies in Costa Rica, and effects of climate change on developing world

Xuanyi Li, NRDC, New York, NY, 2006

- Research intern, China Program for urban development information, trends, plans, and policies of select Chinese cities for location efficiency analysis. Other Smart Growth and China related assignments as needed.

WRI Fellows

Wen Wang, WRI, Shale Gas initiative, Washington, DC, 2012

- Provided research support to WRI's new Shale Gas Initiative and work on developing consensus on a framework of the shale gas development process that enables realistic and robust environmental and social impact assessments.

Yushuang Wang, WRI, Markets and Enterprise Program, Washington, DC, 2011

- Playing a key research role in the Aqueduct project which measures and maps companies' and investors' water risk, more specifically, analyzing trends in different drivers of water-related business risks in the Yangtze River basin in Southern China.

Tian Want, WRI, Washington, DC, 2010

- Assist in applying WRI's recently released National Adaptive Capacity (NAC) Framework to China's unique development context, draft memos, literature review and conduct case studies .

Tien Shiao, WRI, Washington, DC, 2009

- Work closely with senior analysts, collecting and analyzing data, writing reports and supporting presentations on key water trends and policies, and their bearing on the financial performance of corporations and investment returns. Served as internal reviewer for WRI colleagues' publications/products.

Ke Cao, WRI, Washington, DC, 2008

- Provide research and outreach support to WRI's forest team on a joint project with the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD). The objective is to guide sustainable procurement of forest products by providing reliable, impartial and technically "easy-to-understand" advice to buyers.

Jing Li, WRI, Washington, DC, 2007

- Research intern, Climate & Energy Program, Drafting 1-2 case studies on corporate GHG management in developing countries; developing fact sheets on Chinese environmental issues

Changming Yan, WRI, Washington, DC, 2006

- Prepare for the "Business and Technology Innovation for Poverty Alleviation" conference in Beijing. Research project related to the business climate for development of pro-poor, pro-environment business in China.

Some information from the WRI and NRDC web sites:

The World Resources Institute (WRI) is an environmental think tank that goes beyond research to create practical ways to protect the planet and improve people's lives. WRI focuses its work on four basic goals:

- (1) Protect the ecosystems, assuring capacity to provide goods & services on which human well-being depends;
- (2) Safeguard Earth's climate from further harm due to greenhouse gas emissions and help people adapt to unavoidable climate change;
- (3) Reduce the use of materials & generation of wastes in the production of the goods and services that improve people's lives
- (4) Guarantee people's access to environmental information and decisions regarding natural resources and the environment.

WRI's work is carried out by a 130 member interdisciplinary staff augmented by a network of advisors, collaborators, partners, and cooperating institutions in more than 50 countries.

Web site: www.wri.org

The Natural Resources Defense Council's purpose is to safeguard the Earth: its people, its plants and animals and the natural systems on which all life depends.

We work to restore the integrity of the elements that sustain life -- air, land and water -- and to defend endangered natural places.

We seek to establish sustainability and good stewardship of the Earth as central ethical imperatives of human society. NRDC affirms the integral place of human beings in the environment.

We strive to protect nature in ways that advance the long-term welfare of present and future generations.

We work to foster the fundamental right of all people to have a voice in decisions that affect their environment. We seek to break down the pattern of disproportionate environmental burdens borne by

people of color and others who face social or economic inequities. Ultimately, NRDC strives to help create a new way of life for humankind, one that can be sustained indefinitely without fouling or depleting the resources that support all life on Earth.

Web site: www.nrdc.org

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