

## APHIS FOREIGN SERVICE AGRICULTURE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM





The APHIS Foreign Service Agriculture Fellowship Program seeks outstanding individuals interested in contributing to the health and safety of U.S. agriculture through international engagement. The fellowship provides educational and professional support and a unique pathway to a rewarding career as a Foreign Service Officer in the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Foreign Service. The Foreign Service is a uniquely rewarding career that combines plant science and international diplomacy. APHIS Foreign Service Officers represent the United States in countries around the world and do impactful work to protect and expand the integrity of American agriculture by facilitating and resolving complex animal and plant health issues. APHIS Foreign Service Officers play a leadership role in U.S. Embassies applying their scientific knowledge and diplomatic skills and collaborate with diverse counterparts worldwide in a variety of dynamic, challenging settings.

## **PROGRAM BENEFITS**



Support of up to \$46,000 annually toward tuition and related expenses for a two-year master's degree or final two years of study in a Ph.D. program in fields related to plant science at Tuskegee University.



Two summer internships, one at the APHIS headquarters in Maryland in summer 2021 and one overseas at a U.S. embassy or consulate in summer 2022.



Mentoring from Foreign Service Officers throughout the Fellowship.



Employment in the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Foreign Service, in accordance with applicable law and USDA policy, for those who successfully complete the fellowshipprogram and meet Foreign Service entry requirements. Additionally, Fellows must commit to a minimum of five years of service.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Must be seeking enrollment into a twoyear master's program at Tuskegee University's College of Agriculture, Environment & Nutrition Sciences (CAENS) beginning in fall 2021 or be currently enrolled in a CAENS Ph.D. program expected to graduate in May 2023
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application

DEADLINE: MARCH 18, 2021

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