



Questions Responses

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2021 Borlaug-Ruan Internship Application

Thank you for your interest in applying for a Borlaug-Ruan International Internship!

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2021 Borlaug Ruan Internships will be offered as virtual, remote work internship experiences that you can complete safely and socially-distanced from your home or school. There will be no international travel component as part of the internship experience. Instead, special virtual tours and interactive cultural immersion experiences and training will be offered online.

Please complete this form - and submit your video testimonial, resume, transcript, writing sample, and parent/guardian consent form - by midnight on Sunday, February 28, 2021. In order to submit this form, you must be signed in to a Google account. If you do not have a Google account, please create one before filling out the form and uploading your documents.

Eligibility: Any student who has participated in a World Food Prize Youth Institute, is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, and is 17-20 years old (on June 1, 2021) is eligible to apply.

Applicants must be proficient in English to be considered for placement. Some placements additionally require Spanish proficiency.

For questions, please contact:

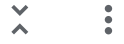
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Applicant Information



Description (optional)

Email Address *

We will use this email address to contact you. Please enter the email address at which you prefer to be contacted.

Short answer text

First Name *

Short answer text

Last Name *

Short answer text

Cell / Mobile Phone *

Numbers only, no punctuation. Include country code. (Example: 15152551000)

Short answer text

Home Phone

Numbers only, no punctuation. Include country code. (Example: 15152551000)

Short answer text

Preferred Phone Number

Please indicate which phone number you prefer

Cell / Mobile Phone

Home Phone

Home Address *

Short answer text

Home City *

Short answer text

Home State / Province *

Short answer text

Home Country *

Short answer text

Home Zip / Postal Code *

Short answer text

Gender *

The World Food Prize Youth Programs are open and inclusive to all, and do not discriminate on the basis of gender identity or expression. In order to ensure effectiveness in our programming and to consider the needs of every participant, please check all that apply.

- Female
- Male
- Transgender
- Prefer to self describe
- Prefer not to disclose

If you selected "Prefer to Self Describe" in the previous section, please elaborate.

Long answer text

Pronouns *

Help us refer to you by the proper pronoun by indicating the way you prefer to be addressed below. If your pronouns are not listed, please indicate by selecting "Other" and type in your pronouns.

- She/Her/Hers
- He/Him/His
- They/Them/Theirs
- Other..

Ethnicity / Race *

Please select all that apply. Information collected is only used for statistical purposes

- Asian
- Black or African
- Hispanic or Latino/a/x
- Indigenous
- Middle Eastern
- Pacific Islander
- White or Caucasian
- Prefer not to disclose
- Prefer to self describe

If you selected "Prefer to Self Describe" in the previous section, please elaborate.

Please enter in the ethnicity and/or race that best represents you. Only answer if you selected "Prefer to Self Describe" in the previous question.

Short answer text

Date of Birth *

Note: You must be at least 17 years of age, and no older than 20, on June 1st of 2021 to be eligible (ie. your date of birth is between June 1, 2001 - June 1, 2005)

Month, day, year



School Information



Description (optional)

School Name *

Short answer text

School City *

Short answer text

School State / Province / County *

Short answer text

School Country *

Short answer text

Grade / Standard Level or Year in School *

Short answer text

If currently enrolled at University, list your Degree and Major

Short answer text

Languages Spoken/Written (and Levels of Proficiency) *

Use the following categories for Level of Proficiency - 1 - Beginner, 2 - Elementary, 3 - Intermediate, 4 - Advanced, 5 - Native/Fluent. *Example: English (Verbal-Fluent, Written-Advanced), Spanish (Verbal-Intermediate, Written-Elementary), Kiswahili (Verbal-Beginner, Written-Beginner)

Long answer text

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WFPF Youth Program Alumni Information



Description (optional)

Please specify the World Food Prize Youth Program(s) you have participated in or helped coordinate:

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- A Youth Institute
- The Global Youth Institute
- USDA Wallace-Carver Fellowship
- Borlaug-Ruan International Internship
- George Washington Carver Internship
- None of the Above
- Other...

Select the Youth Institute you participated in or helped coordinate:

- Alabama Youth Institute at Tuskegee University
- Arkansas Youth Institute at the University of Arkansas
- Colorado Youth Institute at Colorado State University
- Florida Youth Institute at the University of Florida
- Honduras Youth Institute at Zamorano University
- Indiana Youth Institute at Purdue University
- Iowa Youth Institute at Iowa State University.
- Kansas Youth Institute at Kansas State University
- Maryland Youth Institute at the University of Maryland-Eastern Shore
- Michigan Youth Institute at Michigan State University at East Lansing
- West Central Youth Institute at the University of Minnesota Morris

- Med City Youth Institute at the University of Minnesota Rochester
- Northern Great Plains Youth Institute at the University of Minnesota Crookston
- Minnesota Youth Institute at the University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- Mississippi Youth Institute at Mississippi State University
- Missouri Youth Institute at the University of Missouri
- Nebraska Youth Institute at the University of Nebraska
- New Jersey Youth Institute at Rutgers University
- New York Youth Institute at Cornell University
- North Carolina Youth Institute at North Carolina State University
- Ohio Youth Institute at The Ohio State University
- Pennsylvania Youth Institute at Penn State University
- SLU Youth Institute at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences
- South Dakota Youth Institute at South Dakota State University
- Texas Youth Institute at Texas A&M University
- Wageningen Youth Institute at Wageningen University Research
- Wisconsin Youth Institute at the University of Wisconsin Madison
- World Food Prize Summer Youth Institute (live or on-demand)
- Other...

What year(s) did you participate in the Youth Institute?

Short answer text

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Have you applied for the Borlaug-Ruan Internship before? *

Yes

No

If yes to the question above, which year(s)?

Short answer text

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Research Interests



Description (optional)

Areas of Interest *

What issues are you interested in researching and working on this Summer? Select all that apply.

- Animal Health and Livestock Production
- Aquaculture
- Business, Economics and Finance
- Communications
- Education
- Engineering
- Genetics & Biotechnology
- Human Nutrition and Health
- Insects
- Plant Health and Crop Production
- Policy and Politics
- Sustainable Agriculture and Environmental Conservation
- Water and Sanitation
- Women and Girls Empowerment
- Rural Sociology and Development

What are your top three areas of interest, and why? *

Long answer text

Organizations of Interest *

What research centers and organizations would you be interested in working for this Summer? Select all that apply.

- Africa Rice Center in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire
- Center for International Forestry Research (CIFOR) in Bogor, Indonesia
- Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences (CAAS) in Beijing, China
- China Agricultural University (CAU) in Beijing, China
- China National Hybrid Rice Research and Development Center (CNHRRDC) in Changsha, China
- EARTH University in Limón, Costa Rica
- International Center for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA) in Beirut, Lebanon
- International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE) in Nairobi, Kenya
- International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) in Kathmandu, Nepal
- International Center for Tropical Agriculture (CIAT) in Cali, Colombia
- International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT) in Patancheru, India
- International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) in Washington DC, USA
- International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA) in Abidjan, Nigeria
- International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) in Nairobi, Kenya
- International Maize and Wheat Improvement Center (CIMMYT) in El Batán, Mexico
- International Potato Center (CIP) in Lima, Peru
- International Rice Research Institute (IRRI) in Los Baños, Philippines
- International Water Management Institute (IWMI) in Colombo, Sri Lanka
- Maharashtra Hybrid Seed Company Limited (Mahyco) in Jalna, India
- M.S. Swaminathan Research Foundation (MSSRF) in Chennai, India

- Peking University (PKU) in Beijing, China
- Self-Help International in Kumasi, Ghana
- S.M. Sehgal Foundation in Gurgaon, India
- WorldFish Center in Penang, Malaysia
- World Vegetable Center (AVRDC) in Hyderabad, India
- World Vegetable Center (AVRDC) in Shanhua, Taiwan


Which three centers are you most interested in working at, and why? *

Long answer text

Describe your ideal internship experience. *

What do you hope to learn or experience? What types of research or work are you interested in? What skills or abilities would you like to further develop?

Long answer text

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Access & Availability for Virtual Work

The Borlaug Ruan Internships are planned to take place through the months of May - August 2021.

Note: Your answers to these questions will not affect your eligibility or selection for this opportunity. They are intended to assist our staff and partners in identifying support systems and assistance we should provide to effectively deliver this program virtually.

How comfortable are you working remotely and independently with limited daily/weekly online interaction, supervision, and support from your project mentor who is living and working in another country? *

1 2 3 4 5

Not Comfortable Very Comfortable

Please describe the strengths that you would bring to this type of independent virtual work arrangement and any challenges you expect to face?

Long answer text

Will you have a dedicated work space (safe, quiet, uninterrupted) that you will be able to work from effectively where you plan to live and work during the internship? *

1 2 3 4 5

No / Not Likely Yes / Guaranteed

Will you personally have access to a dedicated computer or laptop that you can use for official work every day? *

1 2 3 4 5

No / Not Likely Yes / Guaranteed

Describe the quality, reliability, and connectivity of your internet access where you plan to live and work during the internship? *

1 2 3 4 5

Weak - I will have inconsistent or poor quality internet access most of the time Strong - I will have consistent high speed internet access all day every day

How many hours per week are you available to work for the duration of the internship? Select all that apply. *

- Full-Time (40 hours/week)
- Half-Time (20-25 hours/week)
- Part-Time (10-15 hours/week)

Borlaug Ruan Interns are expected to commit at least 200 hours over the course of the internship to their host organization. While a full-time 40 hour per week schedule is standard. Flexible part-time arrangements may be possible in some circumstances. If you could choose, which of the following timeframes would you prefer for your internship experience (to meet the 200 hour commitment)?

- 5-6 weeks (full-time)
- 8-10 weeks (half-time)
- 12-14 weeks (part-time)

On what date will you be available to begin working? *

When does your current school term end?

Month, day, year



By what date will you need to end your work? *

When does your next school term begin?

Month, day, year



Do you have any known commitments (vacations, weddings, work commitments, family needs) * that would affect your availability? If yes, please explain.

Long answer text

What other opportunities (internships, jobs, research projects, etc.) are you applying for?

Long answer text

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Application Materials



Description (optional)

Video *

Record and upload a 3-5 MINUTE VIDEO of yourself answering two questions: 1) Why do you want to be a Borlaug Ruan international Intern? 2) How will you use this experience to advance your college or career plans, and have a greater impact in the world? (1GB Max Video File Size. Compatible Video File Types: MOV, MPEG4, 3GPP, AVI, MPEGPS, WMV, FLV, MTS or WebM)

 Add file

Resume or Curriculum Vitae - PDF Only *

Upload your updated resume or CV (including relevant work experience, school and community involvement, leadership activities)

 Add file

School Transcripts - PDF Only *

Upload your current academic transcript. An unofficial version is acceptable - a scan of the printed transcript is preferred, but a screenshot of the transcript digitally displayed is allowed. If enrolled at university, please submit both your high school and university transcripts.

 Add file

Writing Sample - PDF or Word Only

Upload a sample that demonstrates your ability to communicate in writing. This can be a research paper, school assignment, blog post, the Global Challenge paper you used for a World Food Prize Youth Institute, or another example of your written work.

 Add file

Parent / Guardian Consent Form Form - PDF *

Download the Parent / Guardian Consent form at www.worldfoodprize.org/BRApplication. Then print, sign, scan and upload the completed form here.

 Add file

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References



Provide the names and information for two references. One must be a teacher who has had you as a student in class. The other reference can be a teacher, coach, employer or mentor. A parent or relative can not serve as a reference.

Note: You must request your two references complete the online Applicant Reference / Recommendation Form by February 28, 2021 on your behalf. The form is located at www.worldfoodprize.org/BRInternReference. Note: The World Food Prize Foundation may contact your references to verify the information submitted.

First Reference - First Name *

Short answer text

First Reference - Last Name *

Short answer text

First Reference - Salutation *

(e.g. Mr., Ms., Dr., etc.)

Short answer text

First Reference - Company or School *

Short answer text

First Reference - Email Address *

Short answer text

Second Reference - First Name *

Short answer text

Second Reference - Last Name *

Short answer text

Second Reference - Salutation *

(e.g. Mr., Ms., Dr., etc.)

Short answer text

Second Reference - Company or School *

Short answer text

Second Reference - Email Address *

Short answer text

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Applicant Affirmations



By selecting yes in the following questions, you are committing to participate in these events.

I understand that the Borlaug Ruan Internship will be a virtual, remote work experience with an international organization in 2021 with no travel component. If selected as a Borlaug-Ruan Intern, I will be responsible for arranging my own accommodations, work space, computer and internet access, and other needs for the duration of the internship. *

Yes

No

I understand that Borlaug Ruan Interns are expected to commit at least 200 hours of work over the course of the Summer to their host organization. The weekly work schedule and hours of operation/collaboration will be jointly determined by the Intern and their Supervisor based on the needs of the project, organizational logistics, availability and staff scheduling. While a full-time 40 hour per week schedule is standard. Flexible part-time arrangements may be possible in some circumstances, depending on the needs of the intern and their supervisor. Borlaug Ruan Interns will be expected to work at least 15 hours per week (part-time) and may work up to 40 hours per week (full-time). As such, the internship duration may range from 5 weeks (full-time) to 14 weeks (part-time). *

Yes

No

I understand that Borlaug Ruan Interns are expected to participate in, and present at, the World Food Prize Foundation events in October as a core component of the internship experience. *

Yes

No

I understand that Borlaug Ruan Interns are required to develop a research paper or other knowledge product at the conclusion of the internship, as well as provide summary presentations for their host organization and the World Food Prize Foundation as requested. These may be delivered live at in-person or virtual events, or pre-recorded for on-demand delivery, depending on the needs of the organizations. This may include creation of a video, slideshow, poster, or other presentation materials.

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Yes

No

I confirm that I have participated in a World Food Prize Youth Program, will be between the ages of 17 and 20 (on June 1, 2021), am proficient in English, and am willing and able to complete all expectations of the Borlaug Ruan Internship Program.

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Yes

No

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Medical, Health & Accessibility Needs



We welcome participants of all abilities. To request accommodation due to medical condition or accessibility needs please indicate below.

Student's Medical or Health Conditions and Accessibility Needs *

Please indicate if any special accommodations are needed. If there are none, please state "None" as your answer.

Long answer text

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Emergency Contact - Name *

In case of emergency, who should we contact?

Short answer text

Emergency Contact - Relation to Student *

Example: Mother, Father, Grandparent, Guardian, etc.

Short answer text

Emergency Contact - Phone Number *

Numbers only, no punctuation. Include country code. (Example: 15152551000)

Short answer text
