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# 2021 USDA Wallace-Carver Fellowship Application



Thank you for your interest in applying for a Wallace-Carver Fellowship at the U.S. Department of Agriculture!

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the 2021 Wallace-Carver Fellowships will be offered as virtual, remote work placements that you can complete safely and socially-distanced from your home or school. Travel to USDA offices and laboratories is unlikely as part of the paid fellowship experience.

Please complete this form - and submit your video testimonial, resume and unofficial transcript - by midnight on Monday, March 15, 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 this form and uploading your documents.

Eligibility: You must have previously participated in a World Food Prize Youth Program, be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. permanent resident, at least 18 years of age, and a registered full time college student (undergraduate or graduate) in Fall 2021.

Questions? Contact: [YOUTHPROGRAMS@WORLDFOODPRIZE.ORG](mailto:YOUTHPROGRAMS@WORLDFOODPRIZE.ORG)

Email address \*

Valid email address

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First Name \*

Short answer text

Last Name \*

Short answer text

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Cell / Mobile Phone \*

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

Short answer text

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Home City \*

Short answer text

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Home State \*

Short answer text

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## 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  
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## 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  
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## Date of Birth \*

Month, day, year





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# College Information



Description (optional)

## College Name \*

If uncertain or undecided, please provide the names of the colleges you are considering.

Short answer text

## College City \*

Short answer text

## College State / Province \*

Short answer text

## College Degree / Major \*

If uncertain or undecided, please list the major or majors you are considering.

Short answer text

Current GPA \*

Short answer text

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Year in College - As of Fall 2021 \*

- Freshman
- Sophomore
- Junior
- Senior
- Graduate School

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## WFPP Youth Program Alumni Information



Description (optional)

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

Please check all that apply

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

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
- 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
- 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-Columbia
- Nebraska Youth Institute at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln
- 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
- South Dakota Youth Institute at South Dakota State University
- Texas Youth Institute at Texas A&M University
- Wisconsin Youth Institute at the University of Wisconsin-Madison



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

Short answer text

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Have you applied for the Wallace Carver Fellowship before? \*

Yes

No

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

Short answer text

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## Wallace Carver Fellowship Areas of Interest



Description (optional)

## Areas of Interest \*

Please select the top 3 types of fellowships you are most interested in.

- Agricultural Marketing and Business
- Economic Analysis
- Field Research
- Food and Nutrition Service
- Food Safety and Animal Inspection
- Forestry
- Laboratory Research
- Mathematical and Statistical Analysis
- Natural Resource Conservation
- Program Administration & Management
- Public Policy
- Rural Development
- Other...

## Describe your ideal fellowship experience. \*

Describe the type of work you are looking for in a summer fellowship at USDA. What do you hope to learn or experience? What types of research or work are you interested in? Would you like to work with animals, plants, environmental systems, soil, pests, or human nutrition and health? What skills or abilities would you like to further develop?

Long answer text

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## Access & Availability for Virtual Work



The Wallace-Carver Fellowships 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 USDA 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 supervisor? \*

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

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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

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 Wallace-Carver Fellow? 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, Word or Image 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

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# Applicant Affirmations



Description (optional)

I understand that the 2021 Wallace-Carver Fellowships will be virtual, remote work experiences with the U.S. Department of Agriculture with no required travel component. \*

Yes

No

I understand that this is a full-time paid fellowship (40 hours a week) and requires an 8 week minimum work commitment during the summer of 2021. \*

Yes

No

I understand that the World Food Prize Foundation and U.S. Department of Agriculture will provide specialized trainings, seminars, networking events, and leadership and professional development opportunities for Fellows throughout the Summer, and that I commit to participate in these virtual events as a core component of the fellowship experience. \*

Yes

No

I understand that Wallace-Carver Fellows are required to provide summary presentations for USDA 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. \*

Yes

No

I understand that Wallace-Carver Fellows are expected to participate in, and present at, the World Food Prize Foundation events in October as a core component of the fellowship experience. \*

Yes

No

I confirm that I have participated in a World Food Prize Youth Program, am a U.S. Citizen or U.S. Permanent Resident, at least 18 years of age, and plan to be registered as a full-time college student (undergraduate or graduate) Fall 2021? \*

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.

## Medical or Health Conditions and Accessibility Needs \*

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

Long answer text

## Emergency Contact - Name \*

In case of emergency, who should we contact?

Short answer text

## Emergency Contact - Relation to Applicant \*

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

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