UC Global Food Fellowships
Applications for 2016-17 now Open

GFI Fellowship Online Application
In support of the University of California’s Global Food Initiative, which commits the UC to develop and promote sustainable and nutritional food systems to meet an ever increasing global population, the UCR Global Food Committee is soliciting applications for the 2016-17 Global Food Fellowship.

A total of three $4,000 fellowships will be awarded and distributed via Financial Aid. These fellowships are intended to support Global Food Initiative related projects at the UCR campus. Projects addressing each of the themes outlined below will be considered. These projects should contribute to improved health and nutrition and/or educate the campus community about the importance of access to healthy food.

To qualify for consideration of a fellowship, you must be a full-time undergraduate or graduate student enrolled at the University of California, Riverside. Fellows are expected to participate in campus and system-wide GFI meetings, attend UCR GFI lecture series and achieve all milestones approved in the scope of their projects in a timely manner.

Selection criteria include:
1) originality of the project,
2) perceived impact on advancing sustainability and nutrition in the UCR food system,
3) promise of successfully completing the project on time,
4) integration of the project into a Living Learning Laboratory environment, and
5) possibility of expansion of the project at the local, regional, national or global level

It is the applicant’s responsibility to review applicable criteria and provide all required information.

Themes for Projects:

GFI Web Developer
Projects should address:
- Centralized web “hub” for food and agriculture topics connecting CAFÉ (California Agriculture and Food Enterprise), Global Food Initiative (GFI), and GFI Food Security and Food Pantry.
- Host information related to the GFI fellows projects, past and present.
The site will host videos from the GFI events/lectures, faculty and student GFI related activities.

- Listing of courses that address food related topics
- Listing of faculty working on projects that relate to the Global Food initiative or other food/ag topics.

Solar Greenhouse Food & Energy Analysis
Projects should address:
- Oversee monitoring of new Solar PV Greenhouse for food production, thermal comfort and energy use
- Evaluation of plant growth under solar PV greenhouse
- Evaluation of impact Solar PV Greenhouse has on carbon, water and energy footprints for various forms of food production
- Applicability of solar PV greenhouse retrofit for other campus greenhouses

Food Security
Projects should address:
- Effective management of campus food pantries
- Methods for identifying food security need for students and staff
- Alternatives to food pantries for providing food security to campus stakeholders
- Engagement opportunities with greater campus community

Please complete the online form and submit:
1) Cover letter describing proposed project, 650 word max
2) Current resume with a list of extra-curricular activities
3) One Reference Form completed by a campus affiliate (Faculty or Staff)

Applications must be submitted electronically via GFI Fellowship Online Application

Application deadline: 5pm PST, Friday, May 22, 2016
Announcement of award: May 27, 2016.
Fellowships begin July 1, 2016
Fellowships to be completed by June 30, 2017

If you have any questions regarding application procedures, please contact John Cook at john.cook@ucr.edu, or directly at (951) 827-1270.

For more information about the UC Global Food Initiative, please visit the following website http://www.ucop.edu/initiatives/global-food-initiative.html