OWSD PhD Fellowship
SAMPLE APPLICATION FORM - Full time scheme

Fields have been populated with instructions/hints and sample data as an example for reference purposes only. All applications must be submitted online by creating an account via the TWAS Online Forms platform.

Nina Vita

The application must be submitted in English.

Please read the eligibility criteria at this link

Please note that the system will only accept your application if you answer all the questions and upload the documents when requested. All documents must be uploaded through this online application system. Do not email any document to OWSD unless requested. The OWSD Secretariat reserves the right to judge an application ineligible if the answers and/or documentation do not correspond to the specific question asked (e.g. blank documents, false certificates, outdated reference letters).

Have you read the information about eligibility criteria at the relevant link above? *

Yes

Family name/Surname (as it appears on your passport) *

Vita

Given name(s) (as it appears on your passport) *

Nina

According to the eligibility criteria only women can apply. Please confirm you are a woman. *

Yes

Date of birth *

20/03/1994

Country of birth *

Mali

Nationality *

Mali

Residence address

Address line 1 *

Green street 5

Address line 2

Address line 3

City *

Bamako

Province/State

Only indicate Province/State if applicable

Postcode *

91091

Country of residence *

Mali

Contact email *

nina.vita@gmail.com

Phone *

Include country and area codes

Emergency phone number of trusted person at home *

Include country and area codes

Upload Passport scan *

📄 Passport scan.pdf

Upload passport-size portrait photo of yourself *

📄 Passport photo.pdf

Major scientific area *

Astronomy, Space & Earth Sciences

Is your intended research project interdisciplinary? *

Yes

Please indicate which other scientific area(s) are applicable to your research. *

Chemical Sciences

The OWSD PhD fellowship offers two options:

- **"Full-time"** means you intend to register for a PhD in the host country and will spend the entire period there, obtaining the degree from the host institution. The fellowship will provide support for no longer than 4 years.

- **"Sandwich"** means that you are already registered for a PhD in your home country and will only carry out part of the research in the host country; the degree will be awarded by your home institution. The fellowship is awarded for a maximum of 3 research visits at the host institute. The minimum duration of the first visit is 6 months and the total number of months spent at the host institute cannot exceed 20 months over a maximum 4 years.

Please select one *

Full-time

Referees

Please see instructions for Reference Letter at this link.

Please upload two reference letters of senior scientists familiar with your work at the end of each relevant section below.

Referee

Referee #1

Family name *

Ross

Given name(s) *

John

Email *

johnross@gmail.com

Name of institution *

University of Mali

Postal address of institution *
Garden street 3, Bamako, Mali

Country of institution *

Mali

Upload Reference Letter *

📄 Reference letter 1.pdf

Referee #2

Family name *

Mclaren

Given name(s) *

Maria

Email *

mmlaren@uni.ao

Name of institution *

University of Angola

Postal address of institution *

Major street 8, Luanda, Angola

Country of institution *

Angola

Upload Reference Letter *

📄 Reference letter 2.pdf

If you have a joint BSc/MSc please enter information about the joint degree both in the BSc and MSc fields.

MSc degrees

MSc degrees (or equivalent)

MSc degrees (or equivalent) #1

MSc degree (or equivalent) in *

Earth Sciences

Grade (please specify if honours) *

10 out of 10

Awarding institution and country *

University of Mali

Field/discipline *

Soil chemistry

Year of achievement *

2019

Upload degree certificate *

📄 MSc degree certificate.pdf

Upload relevant university transcripts *

📄 MSc university transcripts.pdf

BSc degrees

BSc degrees (or equivalent)

BSc degree (or equivalent) in *

Earth Sciences

Grade (please specify if honours) *

10 out of 10

Awarding institution and country *

University of Angola

Field/discipline *

Soil chemistry

Year of achievement *

2016

Upload degree certificate *

📄 BSc degree certificate.pdf

Upload relevant university transcripts *

📄 BSc university transcripts.pdf

Upload CV *

📄 CV.pdf

English

Comprehension *

Excellent

Reading *

Excellent

Speaking *

Good

Writing *

Excellent

Upload Certificate of proficiency in English (if available)

📄 Language certificate.pdf

Other languages

Other languages

Other languages #1

Language

Portuguese

Comprehension

Good

Reading

Good

Speaking

Good

Writing

Good

Current professional employment, if applicable

From

2018

Employer

Atech labs

Your position

Researcher

Previous professional employments, if applicable

Previous professional employments, if applicable

Previous professional employments, if applicable #1

From

2017

To

2018

Employer

Atech labs

Your position

Intern

Soft skills

Describe any skills or talents that you have acquired or developed that could contribute to your ability to carry out your PhD research
Maximum characters: 500 (including spaces).

Membership in academies and societies
Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

Awards, scholarships and honours
Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

List your 10 principal publications, if applicable
For each publication, please specify: All authors (in the order they appear), title, journal, year, and if applicable volume and number. Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

Upload complete list of publications, if applicable

📄 List of publications.pdf

H-index

The H-index is an index that attempts to measure both the productivity and impact of the published work of a scientist. This index is based on the set of the scientist's most cited papers and the number of citations that they have received in other publications. There are several online resources that can be used to directly calculate the H-index. The most established are "ISI Web of Knowledge" and "Scopus", both of which require a subscription (please check with your institute), but there are free options too, one of which is "Publish or Perish". Note that different databases may provide slightly different H-index values.

H-index (if applicable)

H-index (if applicable) #1

Value

Source

Please indicate the full name of at least one (and maximum three) host institute(s) where you have been accepted as a PhD student using the dropdown list below. You should have received a Preliminary Acceptance Letter from your host institute.

If the host institute does not appear in the list, please select "Other" and enter the host institute name and address manually.

The institute names in the dropdown are entered for standardization purposes, OWSD PhD fellowship allows you to study at any accredited institute in one of the eligible countries.

I have been accepted at (#1)

Name of host institution *

Université de Lomé

Department of host institution *

Please enter the full name of the host department where you have been accepted as a PhD stud

Phone *

Please include country and area codes

Email *

email@uni.com

Given and family name of host supervisor *

Host Supervisor

Position of host supervisor *

E.g. Dean, Professor, Head of, etc.

Phone of host supervisor *

Please include country and area codes

Email of host supervisor *

supervisor@uni.com

Reason for selecting this institution and supervisor *
Maximum characters: 500 (including spaces).

Preliminary Acceptance Letter

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This letter must be prepared based on the sample shown here and be signed by the head of department or postgraduate studies coordinator.
The study starting date on the acceptance letter must be the year following the application.

Upload official Preliminary Acceptance Letter *

🗋 Preliminary acceptance letter.pdf

Letter of Commitment

Letter from the prospective host supervisor confirming that the host institution has the resources (e.g. bench fees, laboratory equipment) required to undertake the PhD project. The letter should also describe why the host institution is appropriate for the PhD research subject and confirm the supervisor's interest in working with the student.

Upload Letter of Commitment *

📄 Letter of commitment.pdf

Add a second host institution

Add

I have been accepted at (#2)

Name of host institution *

Mahidol University

Department of host institution *

Please enter the full name of the host department where you have been accepted as a PhD stud

If you selected 'Other' above, please enter the full name of the host institution

Please indicate the full name of the host institute where you have been accepted as a PhD stud

Postal address of host institution

Address line 1 *

999 Phutthamonthon Sai 4 Rd, Salaya, Phutthamonthon District, Thailand

Address line 2

Address line 3

City *

Nakhon Pathom

Province/State

Only indicate Province/State if applicable

Postcode *

73170

Country *

Thailand

Phone *

Please include country and area codes

Email *

email@uni.com

Given and family name of host supervisor *

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supervisor@uni.com

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Add a third host institution

PhD Research Proposal

Area of proposed research/study *

Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).

Title of PhD research proposal (the title must be identical to the title stated in the preliminary acceptance letter) *
The title of the PhD research proposal must be identical to the title stated in the preliminary acceptance letter.

Short summary of the project *
Give a short summary (around 250 words) of the proposed PhD research project, sufficiently informative for other scientists who are not necessarily in your field of expertise.

PhD Research Proposal Outline

The outline should be a summarized description of your PhD research proposal, see instructions at this link.

Upload PhD Research Proposal Outline *

📄 PhD Research Proposal Outline.pdf

Keywords (maximum 10) *
Maximum characters: 200 (including spaces).

Expected benefits

Briefly describe the benefits and the opportunities undertaking the research at the host institution will bring *
Is the PhD research of relevance to your home and/or the host country?
In the case of basic sciences such as maths, physics, chemistry, is the research of academic benefit to your home and/or the host country?

Please note that your answers to the following questions are purely for statistical purposes and will not affect the evaluation of your application.

OWSD

Have you applied for an OWSD fellowship before? *

Yes

If so, please specify year(s) (e.g. 2010, 2011, 2012) *

2019

TWAS

OWSD is a partner of TWAS - The World Academy of Sciencies, that offers several opportunities to scientists from developing countries in the South.

Have you **applied** for TWAS programmes in the past? *

Yes

If so, please specify programme(s) and year(s) *

TWAS-CNPq Postgraduate Fellowships, 2018

Were you **awarded** TWAS support? *

No

Other institutions

Have you **applied** for any other fellowship programmes in the host country this year or in the past? *

Yes

If so, please specify programme(s) and year(s) *

Fellowships for Africa grant, 2017

Have you been awarded? *

Yes

If so, please specify programmes, year, duration and amount
Living costs for interns, 2018, 12 months, USD 1000

**I agree to the processing of personal data as
described in the** privacy policy ***

I agree

I understand that OWSD does not provide any support for family members or dependants *

I confirm

Are you already on site in your prospective host country? *

Yes

Please explain why you are already on site *
Maximum characters: 500 (including spaces).

**I intend to return to my home country at my earliest convenience after completing my fellowship with
OWSD ***

I confirm

I confirm that to the best of my knowledge the information provided is true and correct *

I confirm

How did you find out about the OWSD fellowship programme?

Word of mouth/email from colleague

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