

PACIFIC CENTRE FOR ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT (PaCE-SD)

Ph.D. Scholarship in Climate Change

The University of the South Pacific's Pacific Centre for Environment & Sustainable Development (PaCE-SD) offers full-time Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) scholarships in Climate Change through its European Union Global Climate Change Alliance funded project. These scholarships will begin in Semester 2 of 2016 and are available to citizens of Pacific Island Countries (PICs) for full-time studies, based at USP's Laucala Campus.

Scholarship For Ph.D. in Climate Change

PaCE-SD invites applications from recipients of master degrees in relevant disciplines who wish to pursue a Ph.D. in Climate Change. Research topics are encouraged in the following thematic areas:

(i) Strengthening Numerical Modeling for Weather, Climate and Hydrological Services (Prof. Elisabeth Holland and Dr. Awnesh Singh); (ii) Coastal Management/Ecosystems/Energy Security (Dr. Antoine De Ramon N'Yeurt, Dr. Patrina Dumarú and Dr. Awnesh Singh); (iii) Food Security and Land Use Planning (Dr. Morgan Wairiu); (iv) Climate Policy, Negotiations and Governance (Prof. Elisabeth Holland, Dr. Tess Martin and Dr. Morgan Wairiu); (v) Climate Change Adaptation (CCA)/ Disaster Risk Management (DRM) (Dr. Helene Jacot Des Combes, Dr. Tess Martin and Dr. Patrina Dumarú); (vi) Climate and Environmental Markets and Accounting (Prof. Elisabeth Holland and Dr. Morgan Wairiu); (vii) Evaluating Effectiveness of Climate Adaptation and Disaster Risk Management Projects in the Pacific (Dr. Helene Jacot Des Combes and Dr. Patrina Dumarú); (viii) Traditional Knowledge and Climate Change (Dr. Morgan Wairiu) and (ix) Ocean, Coastal and Atmospheric Research (Prof. Elisabeth Holland, Dr. Awnesh Singh and Dr. Antoine De Ramon N'Yeurt).

General Information about Scholarship Conditions

The scholarship covers tuition fees and air fares from/to home country (if outside Fiji) at the beginning and end of the scholarship tenure. Each scholar receives a monthly living allowance. The scholarship supports research costs. Scholarship holders are expected to contribute to PaCE-SD's ongoing teaching and research activities, at the discretion of the PaCE-SD Academic Faculty. Scholarship holders are not permitted to be in paid employment during this period.

The Scholarship Selection Committee encourages applicants to liaise with the respective staff for guidance before submitting their applications for consideration. Contact details are available on the PaCE-SD website: www.usp.ac.fj/pace.

In accordance with USP Policies and Guidelines, this scholarship is budgeted for completion of the Ph.D. requirements within 3 years.

Eligibility:

Applicants for a Ph.D. must have completed a relevant Masters Degree (or equivalent). More details can be obtained in the University Calendar at www.usp.ac.fj/calendar.

Applications

Applicants must indicate a proposed research topic in a Letter of Research Intent. The application should also be accompanied by a cover letter addressing: (i) motivation for undertaking the proposed research; (ii) qualification and experience for undertaking the proposed research and (iii) envisioned role in contributing effectively to climate change resilience in the USP region.

Application forms can be obtained from your local USP Centre or downloaded online from www.usp.ac.fj/student. Completed forms and accompanying certified copies of the original transcripts, CVs and other supporting documents should be sent either by postal or Email to Mr. Filipe Veisa, Postgraduate Officer, PaCE-SD, The University of the South Pacific (USP), Private Mail Bag, Suva, Fiji (veisa_f@usp.ac.fj or pacesd@usp.ac.fj; Ph: +679 3232096).

Deadline:

Completed applications are due on 17 June 2016. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

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Please feel free to contact us for any further information:

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