



UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT PROGRAM RESEARCH MANAGEMENT FELLOWSHIP

THE UASP FELLOWSHIP IN RESEARCH MANAGEMENT supports up to 32 mid- to senior-level university leaders from Africa and Eurasia to develop their capacity in research management and knowledge transfer through a 6-week fellowship in the United States. At its core, the UASP aims to grow the new generation of university leaders who understand and can adapt international trends and best practices in research management and knowledge transfer, who actively disseminate their knowledge within and beyond their institutions, and who will apply their ideas, skills and networks gained through the fellowship to drive improvement to their institution's performance.

Sample fellowship focus areas

- Institutional research strategy
- Incentivizing research
- Winning and managing research funding
- Enhancing reputation and visibility
- Publication
- Research ethics and integrity
- Researcher development, career support
- Postgraduate research programs
- Technology transfer & commercialization
- Institutional data, reporting, and audits

ONLINE APPLICATION:
<https://www.irex.org/uasp>

FELLOWSHIP COMPONENTS

	Financial Provisions	Roundtrip airfare, J-1 visa fees, accident and sickness insurance, housing, daily allowance (for basic meals and incidentals), and a professional development allowance.
	Research Management Training	2 weeks of intensive training and peer-to-peer learning in Washington, DC.
	US Host University Placement (with Host Mentor)	4-week placement observing and analyzing research management operations at a respected public US university. Fellows' placements are assigned according to requested focus area(s) which are priorities of their home institution.
	Implementation Plan & Comparative Case Study	Application of learning from the host placement to make recommendations for research management reform at the home institution.
	Virtual Learning Environment	An online platform enables fellows to engage with UASP trainers, peers, and alumni prior to, during, and after the fellowship.
	Post-program Grants and Engagement	Post-program small grants competition to put learning into action (e.g. to kickstart a reform at the home institution).

ABOUT THE UASP RESEARCH MANAGEMENT FELLOWSHIP

2020-2021 PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS IN AFRICA*

Eligible African participants in the UASP must be employed by an institution in the African Research Universities Alliance (ARUA). ARUA will contribute to selection of grantees.

ETHIOPIA

Addis Ababa University

GHANA

University of Ghana

KENYA

University of Nairobi

NIGERIA

University of Lagos
University of Ibadan
Obafemi Awolowo University

RWANDA

University of Rwanda

SENEGAL

University of Cheikh Anta Diop

SOUTH AFRICA

University of the Witwatersrand
University of Stellenbosch
Rhodes University
University of KwaZulu Natal
University of Pretoria
University of Cape Town

TANZANIA

University of Dar es Salaam

UGANDA

Makerere University

**UASP Cohorts also include participants from Eurasia.*



TIMELINE



Applications due

March 3, 2020

Award Notification

April 2020



Cohort 1 Fellowships take place

September - November 2020
(6 weeks in US)



Cohort 2 Fellowships take place

January - March 2021
(6 weeks in US)



Small Grants and Coaching

January - December 2021

IMPACT OF UASP SINCE 2002



87% delivered training to staff



55% developed new administrative processes



28% introduced new teaching, learning and assessment methods



32% provided a new service to students



26% established a new functional unit

SUCCESS STORIES

Adeola Oladeji and Olumuyiwa Desmennu (UASP 2018) jointly developed and are deploying an electronic research administration system (replacing a paper-based system) which will increase efficiency and accuracy at the University of Ibadan.

Fredrick Muyodi (2018), of Makerere University, and **Abdoulaye Ndiaye (2019)** of the University of Cheikh Anta Diop, each established new units at their universities which provide grants writing support to faculty.

Omobolanle Ade-Ademilua (2018) and **Morounfolu Aramide (UASP 2016)**, based on their knowledge of international best practices, were appointed Deputy Centre Leader and Project Management Officer of the University of Lagos' African Centre of Excellence for Drug Research, Herbal Medicine Development, and Regulatory Science (ACEDHARS), part of the World Bank ACE Impact project.

“ Overall, the program is high value, it was planned and executed with great precision. It was a great opportunity for me and my University to learn how we can strengthen our systems. ”

- Rosemary Omwandho,
University of Nairobi