



# UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION SUPPORT PROGRAM RESEARCH MANAGEMENT FELLOWSHIP

## THE UASP FELLOWSHIP IN RESEARCH MANAGEMENT

develops higher education research management capacity in Africa and Eurasia through a six-week fellowship in the United States. Including two weeks of training in Washington, DC, a four-week placement at a US university, and opportunities for post-program small grants and engagement, the UASP supports up to 32 mid- to senior-level research managers to build their universities into leading research institutions.

### 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
- Research methods training
- Postgraduate research programs
- Technology transfer
- Research commercialization
- Institutional data, reporting, and audits

### ONLINE APPLICATION:

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

## FELLOWSHIP COMPONENTS

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|  | <b>Financial Provisions</b>                            | Roundtrip airfare, J-1 visa fees, accident and sickness insurance, housing, daily allowance of \$50 per day (meals and incidentals), and a professional development allowance of at least \$600                                    |
|  | <b>Research Management Training</b>                    | 2 weeks of intensive training and peer-to-peer learning in Washington, DC  |
|  | <b>US Host University Placement (with Host Mentor)</b> | 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. |
|  | <b>Implementation Plan or Comparative Case Study</b>   | Application of learning from the host placement to make recommendations for research management reform at the home institution.  |
|  | <b>Virtual Learning Environment</b>                    | An online platform enables fellows to engage with UASP trainers, peers, and alumni prior to, during, and after the fellowship.   |
|  | <b>Post-program Grants and Engagement</b>              | Post-program small grants competition to put learning into action (e.g. to kickstart a reform at the home institution), take research management courses, and/or attend relevant conferences.                                      |

# ABOUT THE UASP RESEARCH MANAGEMENT FELLOWSHIP

## 2018-2019 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

*\*Joint applications with reinforcing objectives are encouraged.*

*\*UASP Cohorts also include participants from Eurasia.*



## TIMELINE



### Applications due

April 15, 2018

### Award Notification

May 2018



### Cohort I Fellowships take place

September - November 2018  
(6 weeks in US)



### Cohort II Fellowships take place

January - March 2019  
(6 weeks in US)



### Small Grants and Coaching

January - December 2019

## 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

**Henry Zakumumpa** established the first Office of Sponsored Research at Makerere University's College of Veterinary Medicine. This has since prompted discourse to establish research managements offices in seven of Makerere's ten Colleges.

**Moses Chimbari and Clement Matasane** jointly developed "Researcher Competencies" capacity development workshops for PhD students and an online research platform to enhance grants acquisition capacity at the University of KwaZulu-Natal.

**Olufemi Hodefe** developed grants management training that is now institutionalized at the University of Lagos. In addition, through a UASP alumni grant, he traveled to speak at a University of KwaZulu-Natal symposium, where he reconnected with his UASP cohort member, **Clement Matasane** (an employee of UKZN) and developed a grant writing collaboration between their institutions.

*"The program has not only provided me with insights into the various aspects of the world of research, which is indeed a complex one, but has also equipped me with skills to be a better research administrator."*

- Abena Engmann,  
University of Ghana