Eligibility Requirements

- Accepted into a graduate program in the College of Agriculture and Life Science for enrollment beginning Fall 2021.
- Preference will be given to applicants from a country in Africa, but outstanding international students from other countries can be submitted.
- Pursuing a degree in a discipline that would reflect the passion of Dr. Borlaug for agricultural development in developing nations.
- Applicant should be in the early stage of their career.
- Applicant should intend to return to a developing country upon completion of their studies.

Awards

- Assistantship Stipend
  - At least 20% higher than the department graduate student rate
    - Made from a 1:1 match between support from the Borlaug International Scholars Program and support from the department / faculty advisor / foundation / private / government agency/ etc., creating an assistantship or fellowship. The ideal plan would be a 12-month ½ time effort assistantship (¼ from Borlaug and ¼ from department/faculty, etc.) that is at least 20% above the department rate and provides benefits and an out-of-state tuition waiver.
  - $10,000 to the student’s department to be used for tuition and fees or the student’s travel, books, educational supplies, or research expenses.
- Funds are for the 2021-2022 academic year.
- M.S. students can apply for renewal for 1 additional year.
- Ph.D. students can apply for renewal for 2 additional years.

Application Process:

Complete the application form with the following information:

- Name
- Country of citizenship
- Country of residence during the academic previous year
- Years of professional employment since undergraduate degree
- University degrees and majors with dates awarded
- Desired future degree (M.S. or Ph.D.) and major
- Project, problem or topic of research interest
- Matching financial support from sources other than the Borlaug International Scholars Program.
- A paragraph, briefly describe what you have done to prepare yourself for graduate school to advance agriculture in your home country.
- A paragraph, briefly describe the problem, topic and area of your research interest.
- A paragraph, briefly describe your career intent and how this further education will help your career and help your home country or region upon your return.
- Letter of nomination from Department Head or Associate Department Head.

Application Receipt Deadline: July 6, 2021; or until a suitable candidate is identified.