

Fellowship Opportunity: University of Michigan African Presidential Scholars

The University of Michigan is inviting applications for the [University of Michigan African Presidential](#) (UMAPS) program. UMAPS is a fellowship program that annually supports a cohort of around 15 early/mid-career researchers from universities in select African countries for semester-long research residencies at the University of Michigan. Currently in its 13th year, the program has 162 alumni, from 39 universities in 11 different countries. Key features of the program include:

- Funding covers travel to the US, housing for the duration of the fellowship, stipend to cover living costs, health insurance, and a research allowance.
- Fellows are paired with a researcher from the University of Michigan with whom they share research interests, and who acts as their local host and mentor.
- Fellows are fully integrated into the campus academic community through affiliation with an academic unit in their area of study. Fellows have full access to all services of the University, including use of the library facilities, computer networks, statistical consultation services, and more.
- Fellows get an opportunity to present their research to the campus community at a public colloquium.
- Fellows participate in several professional development activities, including a semester-long academic writing workshop.
- Fellows remain members of the University of Michigan community even after the conclusion of their tenure in the program, and have access to opportunities for participation in University of Michigan events, select funding opportunities, etc.

We are currently accepting applications for the cohorts to join us in (i) August to December 2021, and (ii) January to May 2022. Complete application information and eligibility requirements are available at [this link](#), but we give some of the most important information below:

- Application deadline: **October 15, 2021**
- Field of study: The fellowship is open to researchers in all fields of study represented at the University of Michigan.
- Employment: The fellowship is open only to individuals employed at an institution of higher education. Fellows' home institution has to commit to continuing their remuneration for the duration of their participation in the program.

Please share this information widely with appropriate administrators and eligible staff at your institution. Complete information about the program is available at [this link](#). For additional information, please contact <asc-contact@umich.edu>