

## FELLOWSHIP INFORMATION

**HSBC CLIMATE PARTNERSHIP STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP** - As a participant in the HSBC Climate Partnership Stakeholder Workshop, you will join leading scientists in conservation and field research studying forest ecology at the North America Regional Climate Center, based at the Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC) near Chesapeake Bay. Imagine being a part of critical research examining how local forests are responding to climate change! In the field you will receive an orientation on how to conduct field research. You may have the opportunity to try out high-tech equipment like GPS units or laser range finders, or use "tried and true" techniques such as walking transects and recording information using pencils and data sheets. In addition, facilitated learning sessions will encourage you to develop a sound knowledge base about the cultural perceptions, socio-economics, science and other issues relating to climate change and environmental sustainability. You will be a part of a unique and supportive Community Climate Action Team comprised of other fellowship members from a wide range of backgrounds such as business, education and government.

Earthwatch has been offering fellowships to educators and the public since 1971. Through the HSBC Climate Partnership Stakeholder Fellowship, Earthwatch Institute awards fully-funded expeditions for the ultimate hands-on immersion learning experience. Earthwatch Fellowships are awarded through a competitive application process. Fellowships are provided through support from HSBC as part of the HSBC Climate Partnership. Formed in 2007, the HSBC Climate Partnership brings together HSBC, The Climate Group, Earthwatch Institute, Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute and WWF to tackle the urgent threat of climate change on people, water, forests and cities. For more information visit [www.hsbc.com/committotchange](http://www.hsbc.com/committotchange).

**FELLOWSHIP COVERAGE** - Fellowships cover your on-site expedition costs, which include the scientific research costs, food, accommodations, on-site travel, and all the various costs of fieldwork (permits, equipment, etc.). Applications will be accepted until **August 18, 2008**.



### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

#### What may I be required to do as a part of my fellowship?

As a recipient of an HSBC Climate Partnership Stakeholder Fellowship\*, you may need to:

- Keep a detailed, personal journal throughout your expedition
- Serve as a local resource on the effects of climate change and sustainability in the Chesapeake Bay region and assist in transferring this knowledge to your organization/school/ business.
- Develop and implement an action plan focusing on environmentally sustainable practices within your particular organization, school or business.
- Thank your award sponsor in writing
- Submit a Volunteer Evaluation Form and Fellowship Evaluation Form
- Participate in updates and report successes at 6 and 12 month with other Fellows and Earthwatch Staff

\* Fellowship requirements may vary and will be detailed in award packages.

#### Can I receive graduate credit or professional development points for my experience with Earthwatch?

Earthwatch can put you in touch with colleges or universities that will provide you with graduate credit. If you would like contact information for those institutions you must contact the Fellowship coordinators PRIOR to your expedition at [NARCC@earthwatch.org](mailto:NARCC@earthwatch.org). Earthwatch is accepted in many states as a provider of Professional Development Points. Upon completion of fellowship requirements, awardees are mailed a Certificate of Completions which will verify project name and duration.

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## FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

### Personal Information:

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Day Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Preferred Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Organization Information:

Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_  
State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization Type:  School  Company/Organization

### Educators Only:

School Type: (Check all that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban	<input type="checkbox"/> Public School	<input type="checkbox"/> Private School	<input type="checkbox"/> International Baccalaureate	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-traditional
Number of students you teach yearly: _____	Grade Level(s): _____	Number of years teaching: _____			
Subject(s) currently taught: _____					

Have you joined an Earthwatch Expedition before?  Yes  No How Many? \_\_\_\_\_

I am able to participate on the expedition between these dates:  Oct. 27 - 31 or  Nov. 3 - 7

*(Please email [narcc@earthwatch.org](mailto:narcc@earthwatch.org) if these dates change)*

### STATEMENTS OF INTENT

Please answer each question below as thoroughly and completely as you can in 100 -500 words. Make sure that your name is on each page. There is ample space provided but don't feel you need to fill it all; thoughtful short answers are often just as good as long responses.

**A: Why are you applying to the HSBC Climate Partnership Stakeholder Workshop and what do you expect to gain from the experience?**

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B: What will you contribute to the HSBC Climate Partnership Stakeholder Workshop? Please speak to your personality traits, experiences, skills, work ethic, etc.

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C: What roles do you and or your organization have in the goal of becoming more sustainable and decreasing the impacts of climate change?

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D: How will you share your research experience with your colleagues, and/or your students and/or your community?  
Please be as specific as possible.

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### PROJECT ASSIGNMENT CONSIDERATIONS

In order for Earthwatch to ensure this project best matches your fitness and comfort level, it is important for you to accurately assess your abilities.

Please state any details of your personal and health history which may affect your participation in certain tasks or on some types of research activities. If you are selected, for your safety, you will need to complete an Earthwatch medical report which must be signed by your doctor. Your answers to the questions below will not affect your application status.

#### A. Physical Fitness

What type of physical activity are you involved in on a weekly basis? Be specific with type and duration of activity.

How would you rate your level of fitness?

Light  
(walk 1 hour with ease)

Moderate  
(walk 3 hours with ease)

Strenuous  
(walk 3 hours over rough/different  
types of terrain carrying load)

#### B. Comfort and experience

Please list any additional special skills you might have (experience hiking, back country camping, boating, speak additional languages, CPR, Wilderness First Responder, Wilderness EMT, First Aid, etc.).

Please list any dietary needs/restrictions:

(e.g. food allergies, lactose intolerance, periods of fasting, vegan, vegetarian, etc.)

Please list any physical or medical needs/restrictions:

(e.g. allergies, vision or hearing difficulty, mobility/agility concerns, recent surgery, etc.).

Please list any climate concerns you might have (high/freezing temperatures, sun exposure, humidity, rainfall, etc).

#### C. Additional Information

Is there anything else about yourself that we should know in order to place you in one of our workshops? Please be candid regarding any personal concerns or limitations we should be aware of (i.e. phobias, etc).

How did you hear about this opportunity? (select all that apply)

- Past Earthwatch Fellow or Volunteer - name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Publication - name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Conference - name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Earthwatch Representative - name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Internet       School/Organization announcement       Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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It is important for Earthwatch to know that you will be supported by your organization if you are awarded. Please provide a signature from your direct supervisor confirming their support for your application. Please also provide contact information for your supervisor below. In the event that you are chosen for an Earthwatch Climate Change Fellowship, the individual listed here will be contacted to confirm your attendance.

Supervisor first name: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor last name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor email: \_\_\_\_\_ Supervisor phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Supervisor signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please read the following statement and sign below. By signing below you are indicating your agreement. Please include today's date.*

I declare the information within this application to be true, and hereby authorize Earthwatch Institute to keep and use the information on this form and all future evaluation and report materials.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- ✓ Complete application form
- ✓ Save a copy of completed application for your files
- ✓ Become a member\*\*
- ✓ Indicate supervisor contact information

*\*\*Become a member. In the past Earthwatch has asked for a fellowship application fee of \$35. While we no longer require an application fee, we hope that you will consider supporting our mission by becoming a member now for only \$35. Please see our website for more information on membership.*

### TO SUBMIT APPLICATION

Email: [NARCC@earthwatch.org](mailto:NARCC@earthwatch.org)

If unable to email:

Mail To:

North American Regional Climate Center  
Earthwatch Institute  
c/o Smithsonian Environmental Research  
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PO Box 28  
Edgewater, MD 21037

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