Jacobs Foundation-ISSBD Doctoral Fellowships 2019
Improving outcomes for young people in Ivory Coast

Announcement

The Jacobs Foundation and the International Society for the Study of Behavioral Development (ISSBD) have formed a partnership to build research capacity in developmental science in Ivory Coast.

Fellowships are offered for citizens and permanent residents of Ivory Coast who wish to complete PhD studies that contribute towards achieving one of the Jacob Foundation’s three strategic goals:

- Improved school readiness among young children;
- Improved numeracy and literacy skills among primary school students;
- Improved vocational skills among youth.

Six fellowships are available.

Fellowship benefits

Each Fellowship provides

- An annual stipend of 12,000 Swiss Francs (currently equivalent to approximately 7,000,000 CFA Francs).
- A contribution towards the doctoral fellow’s research expenses
- An international mentor from ISSBD
- Sponsorship for the fellow, the fellow’s principal research supervisor, and ISSBD mentor to
  - Attend 3 intensive research training workshops across the 3 years of the fellowship
  - Attend, and make a presentation at, the 26th Biennial Meeting of ISSBD in Rhodes, Greece in July 2020 (https://www.issbd2020.org/)
Host institution and field of study

Academic disciplines relevant to the Jacob Foundation’s three strategic goals include, but are not limited to: Anthropology, Education, Linguistics, Nutrition, Psychology, Public Health, and Sociology.

Applicants must propose a program of PhD research that can feasibly be completed within 3 years of full-time study and that focuses on the

- Development and pilot testing of a new evidence-informed intervention; or
- Evaluation of one or more existing intervention programs

Fellows may complete their studies in any accredited PhD program offered by a university in Ivory Coast.

Fellowships will only be awarded to individuals who

- Gain acceptance to their chosen PhD program and are available to begin full-time PhD studies in 2019; or
- Have approval to continue their PhD studies in 2019.

Application instructions

All applicants should first read the Information Sheet. It contains details about the eligibility and selection criteria and the steps needed to complete and save your application.

Fellowship applications must be competed on the Jacobs Foundation-ISSBD Doctoral Fellowship Application Form.

The Information Sheet and the Application Form are available in English and French. They can be found here. (If this link is not active, the URL is https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/15lr3M9E_Dhgj2YfkbS_jjJ916KeBRiLq2?usp=sharing)

Further enquiries can be submitted via email to CapacityBuilding@umich.edu

Applications are currently being accepted and will be evaluated as they are received.