Overview

The fellowship for Masters students offered by the Center for International Conflict Resolution’s Fund for Global Environment and Conflict Resolution will be awarded to one, incoming or second-year Masters students from the School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA) at Columbia University who has demonstrated excellence in the fields of conflict prevention, conflict resolution, post-conflict reconstruction, sustainable development, security and the global environment.

The student must be from one of the following countries/regions in order to be considered for this fellowship: Italy, the Balkans, Iraq, Afghanistan, Peru, Colombia, China, the Middle East, and/or North Africa.

All applicants should submit their candidature by April 15 2009. The decision will be undertaken by a selection committee at CICR, and will be announced in July. All decisions are final, and applications received after the April 15 will not be accepted. A candidate may only be accepted for one fellowship from CICR for one year, and candidates who have received other fellowships from SIPA are not eligible.

The research work of the selected fellow will involve 10-15 hours of work per week at CICR. The research will revolve around lessons learned and best practices regarding environmental concerns and the role of climate change in three specific fields with various geographical areas of focus:

- Conflict prevention and control in areas where current tensions indicate the potential for conflict, specifically China, the Middle East, and North Africa
- Conflict resolution with respect to conflict and post-conflict areas, specifically the Balkans, Iraq, Afghanistan, Peru and Colombia.
- International security in general in the Balkans, Iraq, Afghanistan, Peru, Colombia, China, the Middle East, and/or North Africa.

Application Process

A successful application will include:
I. A completed application form (to be provided).
II. 500-800 word essay detailing candidate’s motivation for applying to the Global Fund for Environment and Conflict Resolution at CICR.
III. Current CV/Resume
IV. Minimum one, maximum three recommendation letter(s).

The applications should be sent when fully completed to CICR’s Assistant Director, Josie Lianna Kaye at CICRapplications@columbia.edu with the title GECR: Masters Candidate.

Student who receives this funding will be known as an “Empedocle Maffia Fellow”. The Fellow will be awarded $9,000 towards their university fees each semester and a stipend of $500 per month over the course of the academic year (nine months).
Application Form: CICR Masters Fellow
The Fund for The Global Environment and Conflict Resolution

Please complete all fields unless stated

1. Name:

2. Current Address:

3. Current Telephone:

4. Email address:

5. Permanent Address

6. Date of birth:

7. Country of Citizenship (please provide a photocopy of passport):

8. Languages spoken (and level):

9. Undergraduate Education
   a. Institution
   b. Dates Attended
   c. Course of study
   d. Degree and Date
   e. GPA

10. Graduate education (if applicable)
    a. Institution
    b. Dates Attended
    c. Course of study
    d. Degree and Date
    e. GPA

11. Year at SIPA: incoming or first year (currently):

12. Intended concentration and/or specialization at SIPA:

13. Other information (not already included on CV):