ACADEMY FOR
GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT
Fellowship Program

OVERVIEW
Michigan State University is placing an increased emphasis on its global footprint. We understand that we must continuously reinvent, reinvigorate and update in ways that both anticipate the needs of the global world and seriously engage a modern 21st century land-grant university.

To support MSU’s global mission, the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Engineering partnered to create the Academy for Global Engagement Fellowship program for early- and mid-career tenure-track faculty in both colleges.

Too small a percentage of faculties in both colleges are globally engaged in a serious way with respect to their profession and their institution. Others participate occasionally in international activities, but many of our faculties are disengaged from such opportunities, and the pressing need to view their scholarship and the stakeholders that they serve through the lens of a globalizing world. Launched in 2014, the purpose of the Academy is to:

» Build a growing cohort of faculty who regularly participate in global activities and view their scholarship through a global lens.
» Heighten global awareness and discourse.
» Elevate the status of MSU’s global mission.
» Take advantage of campus resources in international programming.
» Capitalize on opportunities to leverage external resources and partnerships.
» Over time, impact development of global priorities and influence high-level strategies to address them.

Sponsored by College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, College of Engineering, International Studies and Programs, and Office of the Provost

DESIGN OF THE ACADEMY
A cohort of 8-10 faculty will comprise the Global Academy, with faculty being nominated by department chairs. Faculty are required to commit to the Global Academy for one full calendar year.

The Global Academy covers basic costs associated with each activity, with the expectation that faculty will participate in all scheduled activities. Activities will include a series of lectures/fireside chats throughout the year covering a number of topics. A sample list of topics to be covered throughout the year includes:

» The phenomenon of globalization
» Senior faculty members discussing personal benefits of international engagement
» How to identify, pursue and acquire major funding sources
» Campus resources available to researchers
» The experience of MSU’s recognized international researchers
» ISP: What it is, how it works and how you can be involved
» Area Study Centers: How they work and how to work with them
» Ongoing campus initiatives, including experiences with major funders
» Stakeholder discussion: Who is globally active, who works where, and who should be engaged
» Major funder relationships: USAID, NSF, NIH, USDA, Gates Foundation, MasterCard Foundation, DOD, DOT, DOE
» Relationships with development firms

The year will include a “Capstone Global Immersion Experience,” during which the Fellows will travel to an international partner institutions that they identify earlier in the program. Fellows will work on campus with partner institutions to strengthen their research ideas so they can culminate in an external grant proposal, a journal article that will be submitted for publication, and/or development of a paper to be presented at a professional conference.

Logistical support for the Global Academy will be provided by the Center for Global Connections in the CANR.
APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS
Faculty in the tenure-track system in both the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources and the College of Engineering are eligible to apply. All applicants should be beyond the first year of appointment or completing the first year of appointment at the time of application. Applicants must submit the following materials:

- A current curriculum vitae
- A completed cover sheet from the application packet, including the signatures of an academic supervisor and the Dean of the corresponding college
- A one-page statement from the nominee that describes her/his reasons for applying and provides evidence of interest in ongoing international research
- A letter expressing strong support from the Chair/School Director/Department Head or the Dean. The letter should affirm:
  ♦ The candidate’s international interest, experience, and/or research
  ♦ The candidate’s strengths as a researcher within the context of unit expectations and the likelihood of success in her/his quest for tenure and promotion
  ♦ The candidate’s proposed project will advance the mission and goals of the academic unit, be supported by the unit and benefit international partners
  ♦ The unit will support the successful candidate with sufficient accommodation to allow the candidate to engage fully and fulfill the required Global Academy Fellowship responsibilities

Applications for the 2016 Academy for Global Engagement are due by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2015. The full application can be found at www.WEBSITEHERE.edu.

“These Global Fellows are honing a unique set of skills that will help them to provide leadership to the university in the years to come.”
Mary Anne Walker
Co-director
Academy for Global Engagement

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“"The Academy for Global Engagement Fellowship program is a remarkable opportunity for faculty to develop and expand their view of global research.””
Gretchen Neisler
Co-director
Academy for Global Engagement

FELLOWSHIP EXPECTATIONS
By applying for the Global Academy Fellowship, each of the applicants implies willingness to fulfill the following expectations:

- **International Research Project:** During the course of the fellowship year, each Fellow will be responsible for defining an international research project. At the conclusion of the Global year, each Fellow will present a Project Poster explaining the project, and complete and submit a Final Project Proposal. In addition, the Fellow will be expected to submit the international research project in the form of a proposal to a funding agency.

- **Meetings with Global Project Faculty Mentor:** Each Fellow will meet with his/her Global Fellows faculty mentor on a regular basis to assist with the design of the international research project.

- **On-Campus Convening:** Fellows will attend a two-day convening in the spring, during which they will interact with program officers and potential funding partners.

- **Washington D.C. Retreat:** Fellows will spend two days in Washington, D.C., in the fall to hone their presentations and meet with potential funders.

- **Global Fellows Recognition and Welcome Reception and Dinner**
- **Other Related Global Academy Meetings as deemed necessary by the program leaders**