



ACMS Mongolia Field School 2024 Application Information

Application eligibility:

The program is open to individuals of all nationalities 18 and over who are interested in an immersive academic field course in Mongolia. Past participants have included undergraduate and graduate students, teachers at all levels, professionals gaining field experience and individuals seeking an immersive educational experience. Participants have ranged in age from 18-80 and represent a variety of nationalities and fields of interest.

Application Process:

Applications must be submitted online through the application web page and include all required material to be considered for admission and fellowship awards. ACMS will review application materials submitted, and may in certain cases request additional information from applicants as part of the application process. The ACMS reserves the right to determine acceptance of all applicants. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, with admission decisions generally available within 30 days of application. Fellowship awards will be made by April 15, 2024 for those who apply by the March 30, 2024 priority deadline. All applicants who apply by the March 30, 2024 deadline are given priority consideration for fellowship awards. The final application deadline is April 30, 2024.

All applicants must complete and attach two required statements:

First, a statement of interest in the program of up to 750 words which addresses the following questions:

- Please explain how your background studies and interests helped prepare you for participation in this program.
- Please explain how participation in this program will help prepare you for future studies, work and/or personal goals.

Second, a statement of experience working and traveling in remote areas of up to 300 words which address the following issues/questions:

- This program involves significant time traveling and living in rural areas of Mongolia. Much of the travel will be off paved roads, and some locations that we visit and stay may not have electricity, hot water or other conveniences. Can you please explain your past experience and comfort level with travel in rural and remote areas.

Please attach a recent copy of your resume or CV

Student applicants additional information requested will be revealed when you click the box labeled "Student" on the application form. All student applicants should complete the information on their institution and program, and may submit one optional Letter of Reference from an academic referee, such as a faculty member. Letters of reference can be emailed as an attachment to: mfs@mongoliacenter.org and tuvshinzaya@mongoliacenter.org. Additional information about the letter of reference is available on the website.

Fellowship Eligibility

All applicants are eligible to apply for fellowship funding support. Please indicate in the application form if you are interested in applying for a fellowship, which will reveal additional information requested for the fellowship and space to upload requested documents. Fellowship awards will generally vary up to \$1000, and will be awarded based on financial need, diversity among participants, and the importance of participation in the program for your studies, career or personal goals. Special fellowship and travel awards are available for participants from underserved communities in international education, such as students and faculty from US Minority Serving Institutions (MSI), Community Colleges and teachers serving high need populations. Please indicate in your application if you qualify for one of these special awards.

To apply for a fellowship, applicants are asked to indicate their interest in the appropriate box on the application, and to prepare and upload a statement to the link that is revealed of up to 500 words that discusses factors that the committee might consider in awarding fellowships to eligible program participants, including financial need, diversity among participants, and the importance of participation in the program for your studies, career or personal goals.

Student applicants have the option of uploading a statement from their university financial aid office verifying financial need.

Application Submission:

All applicants are asked to provide information on how they heard about the ACMS Field School. Please complete the short survey and if applicable please fill in the name of the person who recommended the Field School to you (Recommenders are eligible for a free ACMS membership) .

Before submitting your application, you are asked to Confirm Application Data and verify that the application information submitted is accurate and truthful to the best of your knowledge. Applicants who knowingly submit false or inaccurate applications are automatically disqualified from the Mongolia Field School 2024.

Application Deadline:

The priority deadline for applications is March 30, 2024 and the final program application deadline is April 30, 2024. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis, with admission decisions generally available within 30 days of application. Fellowship awards will be made by April 15, 2024 based on applications received by the March 1 priority admission deadline. Applicants who apply by the March 30, 2024 deadline are given priority consideration for fellowship awards

Application Checklist

Completed Online Application Form

All applicants:

- Statement of Interest
- Statement of Experience in Remote Areas If Student:
- Letter or Reference from academic reference attached online or submitted prior to the deadline by email

If applying for Fellowship Support:

- Fellowship Statement discussing criteria for fellowship awards
- Optional letter of financial need from institutional financial aid office

Academic Credit:

The ACMS is unable to directly offer program participants academic credit for their participation in the program. Participants who wish to receive academic credit for their participation in the program can work with their home or other academic institutions to ensure that the courses taken through the program meet the academic requirements of the institution granting academic credit. The ACMS and course instructors can provide course syllabi, information on assessment and other materials to assist students who are seeking academic credit.

Questions on Application or Program

For assistance or questions regarding academic credit or any other aspects of the program, please contact the ACMS at mf@mongoliacenter.org and tuvshinzaya@mongoliacenter.org or via the phone and office information on the ACMS homepage: <https://www.mongoliacenter.org/contact-us/>