



UNIVERSITY FOR DEVELOPMENT STUDIES,
INSTITUTE FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH (IIR)
in collaboration with
WINROCK INTERNATIONAL

HAVENER-DOWSWELL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ANNOUNCEMENT

About

This scholarship is named after two dedicated friends and colleagues with close relations with Nobel Laureate, Dr. Norman E. Borlaug. Robert Havener, Winrock's first president, had a long illustrious career in agriculture. Robert and his wife, Elizabeth Havener, felt strongly that to improve development in Africa, women needed access to education. Christopher Dowsell was the aide-de-camp for Dr. Borlaug for more than 30 years and was committed to the idea that agriculture had a significant role in improving people's lives. Both men worked tirelessly for Sasakawa Africa Association (SAA) supporting smallholder farmers and particularly agricultural extension.

This scholarship offers a simple and effective way to change the number of women qualified to join the agriculture field as agriculture extension agents in Africa. By financially supporting women pursuing degrees in agriculture or ag extension, more women professionals will be able to lift-up female farmers in agriculture, helping them access knowledge, inputs and resources. In the long term, more farmers will have access to better agricultural technology and production information, which will increase agricultural production and incomes, and reduce poverty and hunger.

This scholarship will provide tuition, admin fees, and a laptop. Scholarships are limited to students enrolled in educational institutions in countries where Winrock has a project field office. This call is made in collaboration with the Institute for Interdisciplinary Research of the University for Development Studies (UDS), Ghana.

Eligibility

To qualify for the scholarship, students will need to demonstrate the potential for future successes in the field of agriculture and meet the following criteria:

- A student at the University for Development Studies, Ghana.
- Commitment to studying the field of agriculture, with priority given to the field of agricultural extension, and interest in pursuing a related job or career within an African Institution.

- Desire to apply education obtained in local communities in Africa.
- Academic achievement.
- Financial need.
- Current student at an educational institution located in a country where there is Winrock International presence (e.g., a field office).
- Final year student in 2024 – 2025 school year, (starting or on research work).

Award Amounts

\$3,000 towards a Bachelors or Master of Science degree in Agricultural Technology, Soil Science, Crop Science, Agronomy, Agriculture Innovation and Communication.

How to Apply

To apply, you will need to submit the following documents between **19th April 2024** to **3rd May 2024** to cd.scholarship@winrock.org.

- Personal statements – Your statements are a very important part of this application. Please be sure to answer all questions.
 - A résumé of any style
 - Two recommendations (one should be from a teacher) – You must provide two signed recommendations.
 - An official transcript of your academic record – These include copies of relevant diplomas. Transcripts and test scores may also be included.
 - Proof of enrollment in an educational institution offering certificate or degree program(s).
- Completed applications will be reviewed and scored by a selection committee, then sent to the Management Committee at Winrock for final approval. Applicants will be notified whether they have been selected to receive a scholarship.