



Young Research Fellows Program - Criteria & Application Procedure

Future Forum is recruiting twelve Cambodian graduates, who wish to develop and strengthen their research and policy analysis skills to join our Young Research Fellows Program. Selected candidates will undertake research in their field of interest, and receive training on research methodologies and critical analysis skills, as well as ongoing mentoring from Future Forum's researcher(s) throughout their research project. Future Forum foresees that, by the end of the program, Young Research Fellows will have: gained a solid understanding of current policy issues in Cambodia (including in areas such as politics, political economy and development); have grown in their ability to analyze policy issues and devise concrete policy solutions and recommendations; and have improved their research skills and ability to write policy reports and other materials such as research proposals.

Program Description:

- Develop an independent research project, including desk research, under the supervision of Future Forum staff;
- Regularly attend research trainings/seminars conducted by Future Forum;
- Regularly meet with a mentor/research supervisor; and
- Develop policy materials (such as a medium-length policy papers) based on their research findings.

Eligibility criteria:

- University graduate in Public Administration, Political Science, Public Policy, Development Studies, Education, International Relations, Law, Economics, or a similar field, and/or young professionals; candidates completing their final semester of their bachelor degree should specify their expected graduation date;
- A strong interest in research and the ability to undertake independent study;
- Proficiency in English (advanced writing, reading, and speaking skills);
- Commitment to complete a one year full-time program with Future Forum is essential;
- A research background (such as having undertaken university level research course(s) in for example qualitative and quantitative methods, etc.) is a bonus;
- Only candidates aged from 20 – 30 years old will be considered.

Other information:

- Program participants will receive a modest monthly stipend of US\$300 during the scholarship program; Young Research Fellows will be based at Future Forum's office in Phnom Penh.

Selection Process:

All candidates are invited to send a CV and a letter of interest to info@futureforum.asia no later than **30 September 2018**. Letters of interest must clearly include a) the reasons for the candidate's interest in joining the Young Research Fellows program; b) the candidate's expectations of the program; and c) the candidate's field of interest (e.g public administration, law, education, etc.). Applicants are encouraged to apply for a field related to their undergraduate program. The letter of interest should be no longer than two pages in length.

Shortlisted candidates will be called for an interview and a written test. Candidates will be notified within two weeks of having taken the written test. Upon acceptance, selected applicants are expected to sign a mutual contract with Future Forum and to commence the program from January 2, 2019.