



**Internship/Diploma Programme for Kenya Water
Institute Graduates
at
Arava International Center for
Agriculture Training (AICAT)-(ISRAEL)**

2019 Call for Applications

GUIDELINES TO APPLICATION 2019

1. BACKGROUND

The Arava International Center for Agriculture (AICAT) was established in 1994 with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Agriculture, Israel. The center trains over 1,000 students every year from Academic Institutes in 3 different programs: Diploma program, MSc program in Plant Science in cooperation with Tel- Aviv University and short term course in Advanced Agricultural Studies.

AICAT is pleased to invite students to participate in a professional and successful agricultural program based on "Learning by Doing". The program is intended for students in agricultural and water related institutes mostly in Asia (Vietnam, Myanmar, Nepal, Indonesia, Cambodia, Thailand, Laos, East-Timor) as well as Africa (Ethiopia, Uganda, Malawi, Zimbabwe, Nigeria, Kenya and South Sudan).

The program is held over 11 months (the whole agricultural period). Students live on farms in the Arava region where they are exposed to the high technologies and the advanced agriculture.

2. IMPACT

The AICAT program impacts on graduates lives in various aspects:

Social Impact: They become community leaders and agricultural mentors, change their way of thinking from a traditional way to innovative thinking out of the box.

Academic Impact: Students go back to their home countries with theoretical and practical tools crucial for their countries' food safety and security and after pursuing higher academic education in Israel and abroad.

Economic Impact: Graduates establish successful model farm and business. Graduates integrate professionally in the public and private sector.

3. PROGRAM COURSES

- Plant biology and physiology;
- Fertilization;
- Soil and Water;
- Introduction to Modern Irrigation;
- Introduction to agricultural structures;

- Plant Protection;
- Flower Production;
- Viticulture and Orchard;
- Aqua-Culture Farming;
- Animal Husbandry;
- Innovation agriculture;
- The challenges of Food security from the ocean origin;
- Food safety and security;
- Agriculture Business Management;
- Financial Analysis;
- Marketing;
- Agriculture entrepreneurship;
- Business Plan;
- Research project Methodology;
- Computer Application;
- Life Skills Workshop;
- Research Project; and
- Field Project.

4. WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY

1. Kenya Water Institute 2017/2018 graduates
2. Kenya Water Institute students who have completed their studies and waiting to graduate. (NB/ Irrigation and Drainage Engineering graduates and students have an added advantage).
3. Age limit: 28 years

5. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- The program's duration is maximum 11 months, during the agricultural season in the Arava, from August 2019 to June 2020;
- Embassy of Israel in Kenya will issue visa once selected for the program;
- Students **MUST** have **a new e-Passport**;
- Students **MUST** possess **a laptop**;
- Students **MUST** be in **good health condition** and ability to withstand the harsh hot/desert weather in Israel;
- Students **MUST** show proof of purchase of **air return tickets** (approx. Kshs. 120,000)
- All the students **MUST** leave Israel at the end of the program.

6. HOW TO APPLY

Applications should be sent to: The Director Kenya Water Institute dropped at either main campus or satellite campuses by February 1, 2019.



Kenya Water Institute

SERIAL NO: _____

**APPLICATION FORM FOR THE
AICAT 2019 SCHOLARSHIPS**

Personal Data of Applicant

(To be completed in capital letters and submitted in tri-plicate)

**ATTACH
RECENT
PASSPORT SIZE
PHOTO**

1. Full Name: (Surname first)

2. Gender: Male/ Female _____

3. Date of Birth: (DD-MM-YY) _____

4. National ID No: _____

5. Do you have Kenyan e-Passport Yes No if yes, indicate Passport No. _____

6. Nationality: _____

7. KEWI Student No: _____

8. Campus: _____ Course: _____

9. Year of Enrolment: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

10. Contact address: _____

Cell Phone No: _____ Email Address: _____

11. Name of Emergency Contact: _____

12. Telephone: _____ Email: _____

13. Do you have a working laptop Yes No

14. Are you suffering from any chronic disease Yes No

If yes, please indicate

15. Do you have a saving of **USD 1,200 (Kshs 120,000.00)** or can someone sponsor you the air-ticket to go to Israel if selected Yes No

16. Are you willing to come back to Kenya after the 11 month program is over? Yes No

17. Have you participated in similar or related program either here in Kenya or abroad? Yes No

If yes, please give details (name of the project, sponsor, location, duration):-

DECLARATION

I _____ hereby certify that the information in this application form are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING

- 1. Copy of your KEWI Certificate*
- 2. Copy of your final year academic transcripts,*
- 3. Copy of your Passport bio-data page*
- 4. Medical Certificate*
- 5. Copy of your ID*
- 6. A brief profile of yourself including your personal vision (200 words)*
- 7. Letter of your motivation to go to Israel (200 words)*

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1. Recommendation by Deputy Director Academic Affairs/ Principal of Campuses (and stamp)

Recommendation _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

2. Recommendation by Director (and stamp)

Recommendation _____

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____