

Appendix A – Application Materials

A complete set of application materials is included in this appendix. Electronic versions of the forms can be downloaded from EPA's website at **www.epa.gov/education/students.html**. The forms are available in an interactive portable document format (pdf) and can be completed online, then printed and mailed to EPA NNEMS Staff as described in the *How to Apply* section on page 5.

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Helpful Tips:

- Read the section, *How to Apply*, on page 5 for detailed instructions
 on applying for a NNEMS fellowship
- Confirm that you meet all of the eligibility requirements described on pages 5 and 6
- Include a transcript for each school attended
- Indicate on the application whether the Reference Form(s) will be sent under separate cover
- Type or complete online the application. If handwritten, write as neatly as possible
- Review the application to check for typographical or grammatical errors
- Mail the application so that it is postmarked on or before March 4, 2011.



NNEMS Application

Program Announcement Identifier: EPA-EED-11-01

An interactive PDF version of this form is available online at www.epa.gov/education/NNEMS/2011apply.html

Project Information Project Number: 2011-___ If you are applying for more than one NNEMS project, please indicate: Project category: Total number of NNEMS projects for which you are Environmental Policy, Regulation, and Law applying Environmental Management and Administration **Environmental Science** Order of preference for this project (1 = most preferred) Public Relations and Communications You must complete a separate application for each project for which you are applying. **Applicant Information** Current Student Level: Name: Undergraduate Please check the address to which you would like materials sent. Associate Advanced Current Mailing Address Freshman Graduate Sophomore Ph.D. Junior Senior Current Major/Minor: ____ State Zip City _____ (month/year) Expected Graduation Date: At Current Address Through ____ Current Phone: (_____) _____- - _____ Please list any additional universities attended: Current E-mail: ____ School/University Dates Attended Permanent Mailing Address School/University Dates Attended School/University Dates Attended State City Zip Names of Individual(s) Providing Reference: _____ (month/year) At Permanent Address Through ____ Permanent Phone: (_____) _____ - _____ Permanent E-mail: ____ Current School/University:_____ Eligibility A NNEMS fellowship is available to any associate, undergraduate, or • High school students advanced student who is: A citizen of the U.S., its territories or possessions, or lawfully admitted to include the following: the U.S. for permanent residency Enrolled for academic credit at an accredited educational institution • Pursuing an educational program directly related to pollution control or environmental protection for the duration of the fellowship

Please note: The following types of students are not eligible for a NNEMS fellowship:

- Federal employees, including those who are on "leave without pay" status
- Undergraduate and graduate students who will graduate before the NNEMS fellowship is completed (Students who complete their undergraduate studies before the end of a fellowship may apply if currently accepted or enrolled to a graduate program.)
- The 2- or 4-year college, university, or distance-learning institution must be accredited by a regional or national accrediting organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (www.chea.org).

Additional requirements for associate, undergraduate, and advanced students

Associate and Undergraduate Students

- 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) based on a scale of 4.0 at the time that the application is due (a GPA of 2.999, for example, is not sufficient)
- Completion of at least four courses related to the field of environmental studies

Advanced Students

- Currently enrolled in a graduate or Ph.D. program or can provide proof of acceptance and enrollment to a graduate or Ph.D. program at the time of tellowship award. Students who are awaiting notification of acceptance must submit verification of acceptance and enrollment at the time of fellowship award.
- · Completion of one semester of graduate or Ph.D. work, or at least four undergraduate courses related to the field of environmental studies

Transcript Enclosed

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

🗌 Yes 🗌 No

Yes No

Proposal

NNEMS Application

You may attach one additional page as necessary.

Proposed Research Plan: Describe how you would conduct your research on this project.

Relevant Information: Describe your academic, professional, or relevant experience that you believe qualifies you to conduct this research. For example, identify academic courses or research that enhances your qualifications.

Academic Goals: State how you expect this project to support your academic and professional goals.

Application Package Checklist

	<u>Yes</u>	No				
Are you a citizen of the U.S., its territories or possessions, or lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residency (a lawful permanent resident			Students must submit three complete application original and two copies). Please note that only which may be opened and copied, even if a st projects. Please verify that you have included:	v one officia udent is app	l transcript i	s required,
must provide his or her green card number on his or her application)?				Original	2 Copies	<u>Mailed</u> Separately
Are you enrolled at an accredited school?			A completed Application Form			
Are you a federal employee?			A completed Standard Form 424 (SF 424)			
Federal employees, including those who are on "leave without pay" status, are not			A résumé			
eligable for a NNEMS Fellowship.			An official college transcript from each school attended			
Do you have a minimum 3.0 GPA?			A Reference Form from a professor			
Confidential Information	Yes	No	or advisor	_	_	
Does your application package contain information that you consider to be			A completed NNEMS Disclosure and Waiver Statement			
confidential?			Verification of acceptance and/or			
Be sure to clearly mark confidentic information	al		enrollment in a graduate or Ph.D. program if applicant is a graduating senior			

Complete application packages must be submitted for each NNEMS project. Applications must be postmarked on or before **March 4, 2011**. Mail or courier completed application package to: NNEMS Fellowship Program Tetra Tech EM Inc. 1881 Campus Commons Drive, Suite 200, Reston, VA 20191



Sample NNEMS Application

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Project Information

Project Number: 2011-<u>XXX</u>

Project category:

- Environmental Policy, Regulation, and Law
- Environmental Management and Administration
- Environmental Science
- Public Relations and Communications

Applicant Information

If you are applying for more than one NNEMS project, please indicate:

3 Total number of NNEMS projects for which you are applying

Order of preference for this project (1 = most preferred)

You must complete a separate application for each project for which you are applying.

Nar	ne: John Doe	Current Student Level: State University	
Plec X	se check the address to which you would like materials sent. Current Mailing Address 123 Hill Street	Undergraduate Associate Freshman Sophomore Junior Harden Advanced Graduate Ph.D.	
	AnytownVA22205CityStateZipAt Current Address ThroughMay2011(month/year)	 Senior Current Major/Minor: Environmental Polic Expected Graduation Date: June 2012 	2y
	At Current Address Through <u>May 2011</u> (month/year) Current Phone: (<u>123</u>) <u>456</u> - <u>7891</u> Current E-mail: johndoe@e-mail.com	Please list any additional universities attended:	Transcript Enclosed
	Permanent Mailing Address	School/University Dates Attended	Yes No
		School/University Dates Attended	Yes No
		School/University Dates Attended	Yes No
	City State Zip At Permanent Address Through	Names of Individual(s) Providing Reference: Dr. J	ane Doe
	Permanent Phone: ()		
	Permanent E-mail:		
	rent School/University:		

Eligibility

A NNEMS fellowship is available to any associate, undergraduate, or advanced student who is:

- A citizen of the U.S., its territories or possessions, or lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residency
- Enrolled for academic credit at an accredited educational institution¹
- Pursuing an educational program directly related to pollution control or environmental protection for the duration of the fellowship

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- Undergraduate and graduate students who will graduate before the NNEMS fellowship is completed (Students who complete their undergraduate studies before the end of a fellowship may apply if currently accepted or enrolled to a graduate program.)
- ¹ The 2- or 4-year college, university, or distance-learning institution must be accredited by a regional or national accrediting organization recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (www.chea.org).

• High school students

Additional requirements for associate, undergraduate, and advanced students include the following:

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 time of fellowship award.
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Proposal

You may attach one additional page as necessary.

Proposed Research Plan: Describe how you would conduct your research on this project.

Some well-placed phone calls can save a lot of time in the library, so my investigation would begin with a week or two of phone interviews with a range of people already familiar with (1) wetland protection issues, and (2) the impact of USAID, World Bank and IUCN policies on environmental media. I would include USAID and World Bank program officers, UNEP officers, UNEP officials, public interest organizations with international environmental programs, and academic specialists, as well as people within EPA.

(continued on attached sheet)

Relevant Information: Describe your academic, professional, or relevant experience that you believe qualifies you to conduct this research. For example, identify academic courses or research that enhances your qualifications.

Though I do not have a background in wetlands or water issues in general, I have been working for the past five years on international pesticide issues. I am already familiar with some of the mechanisms currently in place at the World Bank and USAID to regulate how their funds are used for pesticides. Last year, I wrote Problem Pesticides, Pesticide Programs and Analysis of the International Code of Conduct on the Distribution and Use of Pesticides approved in November 1986 by the FAO, as well as a guide on how to monitor for compliance with the code.

Academic Goals: State how you expect this project to support your academic and professional goals.

I would expect my end project to be a report summarizing the impacts these agencies are having on wetlands, along with a substantive analysis of the legal and political factors The report would also include specific recommendations for policy driving these impacts. changes. This project would allow me to gain hands-on experience in international policy as it relates to environmental issues, which dovetails with the Environmental Management program I am pursuing. This real world experience would reinforce the topics I have studied in school, allow me to explore wetlands issues in more depth, and give me crucial background experience to help me find a job in the environmental public policy field upon graduation.

Application Package Checklist

	Yes	<u>No</u>				
Are you a citizen of the U.S., its territories or possessions, or lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residency (a lawful permanent resident must provide his or her green card	X		Students must submit three complete application original and two copies). Please note that only which may be opened and copied, even if a s projects. Please verify that you have included:	y one officia tudent is app	l transcript i	s required,
number on his or her application)?				U		<u></u>
Are you enrolled at an accredited school?	X		A completed Application Form	X	X	
Are you a federal employee?		X	A completed Standard Form 424 (SF 424)	X	X	
Federal employees, including those who are on "leave without pay" status, are not			A résumé	X	X	
eligable for a NNEMS Fellowship.			An official college transcript from each school attended	X	X	
Do you have a minimum 3.0 GPA?	X		A Reference Form from a professor			X
Confidential Information	Yes	No	or advisor			
Does your application package contain information that you consider to be		X	A completed NNEMS Disclosure and Waiver Statement	X	X	
confidential?			Verification of acceptance and/or			
Be sure to clearly mark confidentie information	al		enrollment in a graduate or Ph.D. program if applicant is a graduating senior			

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March 4, 2011.	1881 Campus Commons Drive, Suite 200, Reston, VA 20191		

Application 2011

package to:

Standard Form 424 – Application for Federal Assistance

Following are instructions for completing the Standard Form 424 (SF-424) Application for Federal Assistance. An interactive pdf version of this form is available online at www.epa.gov/education/NNEMS/2011apply.html. Please note: fields on the SF-424 that are shaded should be left blank.

- 1. Enter "Preapplication."
- 2. Enter "New."
- 3. Leave blank.
- 4. Leave blank.
- 5. Federal Entity Identifier: Leave blank. Federal Award Identifier: Leave blank.
- 6. Leave blank.
- 7. Leave blank.
- Legal Name: Enter your legal name in this order: last name, first name, middle initial/name. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): Enter "123456789." Organizational DUNS: Leave blank.

Address: Enter the address (including street, city, state, and zip code) you are currently using to receive United States Postal Service mail.

Organizational Unit: Leave blank.

Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application: Enter your name, telephone number, and e-mail address. Your middle name, suffix, and fax number are optional.

- 9. Enter "P. Individual."
- 10. Enter "Environmental Protection Agency."
- 11. Enter "66.952."
- 12. Enter "EPA-EED-11-01."
- 13. Leave blank.
- 14. Leave blank.
- 15. Enter the project title of the fellowship for which you are applying.
- 16. List your Congressional District under "Applicant." Under "Program/Project," list the Congressional District for the fellowship project location. To identify the appropriate Congressional District, go to www.house.gov and enter your nine digit zip code to identify your representative and district.
- 17. Enter the project start and end dates for the fellowship for which you are applying.
- 18. Leave blank.
- 19. Enter "c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372."
- 20. Self-explanatory.
- 21. Enter your name, title, telephone number and e-mail address. "Student" or "Graduate Student" is an appropriate title. Print a hard-copy of the SF 424 and sign the pre-application.

Application for Federal Ass	istance SF-424	Version 02
*1. Type of Submission	*2. Type of Application *If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):	
✓ Preapplication	Mew New	
Application	Continuation * Other (Specify)	
Changed/Corrected Application	Revision	
*3. Date Received:	4. Application Identifier:	
5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	*5b. Federal Award Identifier:	
State Use Only:		
6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:	
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:		
* a. Legal Name:		
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identifica 123456789	tion Number (EIN/TIN): *c. Organizational DUNS:	
d. Address:		
*Street1:		
Street 2:		
*City:		
County:		
*State:		
Province:		
Country:	*Zip/ Postal Code:	
e. Organizational Unit:		
Department Name:	Division Name:	
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	person to be contacted on matters involving this application:	
Prefix:	First Name:	
Middle Name:		
*Last Name: Suffix:		
Title:		
Organizational Affiliation:		
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*Telephone Number: *Email:	Fax Number:	
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	Expiration Date: 01/31/2012
Application for Federal Assistance SF-424	Version 02
9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type: P. Individual	
Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:	
Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:	
*Other (specify):	
*10. Name of Federal Agency: Environmental Protection Agency	
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 66.952	
CFDA Title:	
*12. Funding Opportunity Number: EPA-EED-11-01	
*Title: NNEMS Fellowship Program	
13. Competition Identification Number:	
Title:	
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):	
*15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:	

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424	Version 02
16. Congressional Districts Of:	
*a. Applicant *b. Progr	am/Project:
a. Applicant 0. 110gr	
Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts i	f needed.
17. Proposed Project:	
17. Hoposed Hojeet.	
*a. Start Date: *b. End Date:	
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
*a. Federal	
*b. Applicant	
*c. State	
*d. Local	
*e. Other	
*f. Program Income	
*g. TOTAL	
*19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive	Order 12372 Process?
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\square a. This application was made available to the State under the Exec	
b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by t	the State for review.
 ✓ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372 *20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes", 	movide evaluation)
Yes No	provide explanation.)
21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contain	ned in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements
herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I	
with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false	
me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 21	
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**I AGREE	
** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where	you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or
agency specific instructions.	
Authorized Representative:	
Prefix: *First Name:	
Middle Name:	
*Last Name:	
Last Ivane.	
Suffix:	
*Title:	
*Telephone Number:	Fax Number:
*Email:	
*Signature of Authorized Representative:	Date Signed:

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*Applicant Federal Debt Delinquency Explanation

The following field should contain an explanation if the Applicant organization is delinquent on any Federal Debt. Maximum number of characters that can be entered is 4,000. Try and avoid extra spaces and carriage returns to maximize the availability of space.

Application for Federal Ass	sistance SF-424	Version 02			
*1. Type of Submission	*2. Type of Application *If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):				
☑ Preapplication	☑ New				
Application	Continuation * Other (Specify)				
Changed/Corrected Application	Revision				
*3. Date Received:	4. Application Identifier:				
5a. Federal Entity Identifier:	*5b. Federal Award Identifier:				
State Use Only:					
6. Date Received by State:	7. State Application Identifier:				
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:					
* a. Legal Name: Doe, John H.					
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identifica 123456789	ation Number (EIN/TIN): *c. Organizational DUNS:				
d. Address:					
*Street1: ^{123 Hill Street}					
Street 2:					
*City: Anytown					
County:					
*State: VA					
Province:					
Country: USA: United States	*Zip/ Postal Code: ²²²⁰⁵				
e. Organizational Unit:	Zip/ 1 Ostal Code.				
Department Name:	Division Name:				
Department Name.	DIVISION INAME.				
f. Name and contact information of	person to be contacted on matters involving this application:				
Prefix:	First Name: John				
Middle Name:					
*Last Name: Doe					
Suffix:					
Title: Student					
Organizational Affiliation:					
*Talanhana Number (122) 456 7804	Eas Number				
*Telephone Number: (123) 456-7891 *Email: johndoe@e-mail.com	Fax Number:				
EIIIaII. Johndoe@e-mail.com					

Sample SF-424

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Application for Federal Assistance SF-424		Version 02
9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:		
P. Individual		
Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:		
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Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:		
*Other (marify)		
*Other (specify):		
*10. Name of Federal Agency:		
Environmental Protection Agency		
11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:		
66.952		
CFDA Title:		
*12. Funding Opportunity Number: EPA-EED-11-01		
*Title: NNEMS Fellowship Program		
13. Competition Identification Number:		
Title:		
Titte.		
14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):		
*15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project: Outreach for Air Quality Designations		
Cultacti tor All Quality Designations		

Application for Federal Assistance	e SF-424 Version 02
16. Congressional Districts Of:	
*a. Applicant Virginia 8 th	*b. Program/Project: North Carolina 4 th
Attach an additional list of Program/Project C	ongressional Districts if needed.
17. Proposed Project:	
*a. Start Date: 5/10/2011	*b. End Date: 8/20/2011
18. Estimated Funding (\$):	
*a. Federal	
*b. Applicant	
*c. State	
*d. Local	
*e. Other	
*f. Program Income	
*g. TOTAL	
*19. Is Application Subject to Review By St	tate Under Executive Order 12372 Process?
b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but ha \checkmark c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372	the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on is not been selected by the State for review.
*20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Fed	leral Debt? (If "Yes", provide explanation.)
herein are true, complete and accurate to the b	to the statements contained in the list of certifications** and (2) that the statements best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject es. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)
✓ **I AGREE	
** The list of certifications and assurances, or agency specific instructions.	an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or
Authorized Representative:	
	*First Name: John
Middle Name:	
*Last Name: Doe	
Suffix:	
*Title: Student	
*Telephone Number: 123-456-7891	Fax Number:
*Email: Johndoe@e-mail.com	
*Signature of Authorized Representative: 26	Date Signed: January 26, 2011

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Reference Form

Instructions for the Reference

Thank you for providing a reference for a NNEMS fellowship applicant. Before you begin, please note that this reference is not intended to be confidential. Please submit the completed form to the applicant identified below, to be included in the application package. You may submit the reference under separate cover at the address provided below, but it must be postmarked on or before **March 4**, **2011**:

NNEMS Fellowship Program Tetra Tech EM Inc. 1881 Campus Commons Drive, Suite 200 Reston, VA 20191

To be Completed by Applicant

Project Number: 2011-	Current Phone: ()
Applicant's Name:	Current E-mail:
Current Mailing Address:	School/University:
	Current Major/Minor:
	Expected Graduation Date:
City State Zip	
To be Completed by the Reference	
Name of Individual Providing Reference:	Current Phone: ()
Current Mailing Address:	Current E-mail:
	Position or Title:
	Department:
City State Zip	Institution:
	Signature Date

(Reference Form continued on next page)

Reference Form

Reference

The applicant named above is applying for a NNEMS fellowship. What are your personal impressions of the candidate's ability to perform the proposed fellowship? Include how the fellowship relates to and will further the student's academic goals. Please comment on the quality of his or her work, and promise of productive scholarship. Please explain in what capacity you have known the applicant and for what time period.

Rating:

Please rate this student in overall promise in comparison with other individuals with whom you have known at similar stages in their academic studies by checking the appropriate boxes.

	Outstanding	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Applicable
Academic Performance						
Motivation for Proposed NNEMS Research Plan						
Research and Writing Ability						
Leadership Skills and Written Communication Skills						

NNEMS Disclosure and Waiver Statement

Please complete and submit with NNEMS application package. This form may be photocopied.

I understand that the National Network for Environmental Management Studies (NNEMS) Program fellows are not employees of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or the U.S. government. Thus, if selected to be a NNEMS fellow, I will not receive typical federal employee benefits including, but not limited to, health insurance, life insurance, annual leave, and sick leave.

In addition, I understand that in the event of an accident causing injury to myself while either performing my assigned functions or traveling, the U.S. government is not liable for any injury or harm I may incur. Further, I understand that the U.S. government is not liable for any injury or harm I may cause another person or persons while performing my assigned functions or traveling for EPA. As such, I understand that I am responsible for any injury or harm I cause to myself or others as a result of my actions.

By signing this form, I acknowledge that I fully understand the provisions contained in this statement regarding my status as a NNEMS fellow and the consequences of my actions while working as a NNEMS fellow. As a result, I have considered the possibility of obtaining personal insurance during my NNEMS fellowship.

Name:	School:
Home Address:	Project # Applied For: 2011
	Project Category:
Home Phone Number:	
Signature:	Date: