

# University of Michigan Dow Sustainability Fellows Program Postdoctoral Scholars

The Dow Sustainability Fellows Program is designed to create a new generation of sustainability scholars who understand the necessity of collaborating across disciplines and sectors to address and solve complex sustainability challenges. With this in mind, the program is seeking proposals from **POSTDOCTORAL scholars committed to finding interdisciplinary, actionable, and meaningful sustainability solutions on local-to-global scales.** Applications are due on **Nov. 17, 2014.**

- **THE AWARD:** Each year, up to five full-time postdoctoral scholars will be selected for this Dow Sustainability Fellows Program, each of whom will receive an annual stipend of at least \$52,000, U-M medical and dental benefits, and access to \$2,000-5,000 per year for travel and research. This is a two-year fellowship that follows the academic cycle (September to August), with the next cohort beginning in September 2015.
- **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:** The program seeks accomplished, connected, and motivated candidates working on sustainability issues at the interface of the social sciences/humanities and the natural/physical/engineering sciences. Successful candidates should be at the beginning of their academic careers, having received their Ph.D. or comparable professional or artistic degree within four years of the fellowship start date (see RFP for more details). Non-US citizens may apply. Fellows must be in residence in Ann Arbor for the academic year (September – May) and participate in Dow Postdoctoral Program activities. Reasonable absences for field work may be allowed but must be disclosed and approved by the program director in advance.
- **THE COMMUNITY OF SCHOLARS:** As part of an effort to encourage interdisciplinary thinking and collaboration, Dow Sustainability Fellows become part of a “Community of Scholars” who regularly interact to exchange ideas and perspectives. As such, the fellows are required to engage in monthly seminars and related activities and are encouraged to mentor doctoral and masters/professional-degree fellows as appropriate. They also engage monthly with the Distinguished Faculty Fellows, a group of 16 faculty members selected for their genuine interest in interdisciplinary and cross-disciplinary research and intellectual exchange around sustainability.
- **APPLICATION PROCESS:** Eligible candidates are asked to apply online at [www.sustainability.umich.edu/education/dow/postdoctoral](http://www.sustainability.umich.edu/education/dow/postdoctoral). See the Request for Proposals (online PDF) for details about how to apply.

Learn more about the Dow Sustainability Fellows Program on the U-M Planet Blue website at [www.sustainability.umich.edu/education/dow](http://www.sustainability.umich.edu/education/dow). Questions may be submitted to [dow-postdoc@umich.edu](mailto:dow-postdoc@umich.edu).

