MESL in Developing Countries:

We believe one way to achieve success in global peace and harmony is through equity in education. Building on this premise, *MESL* program has funded graduate students from 25 countries of the world since its inception (1993). We are now initiating a new program for graduate students in developing countries. Given our limited resources, this



program is a small but determined effort on our part to contribute to the issues and concerns in developing countries. As a part of this initiative, **MESL** program is dedicated to extend educational opportunities to graduate students who are applying to the **MESL** program at the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE), Georgia Tech (GT) from the **African continent**. Our mission is to contribute to the technological and engineering needs of the countries in the African continent by providing partial or full support to the incoming students who are applying to CEE, GT from these countries. Our aim is to share our educational resources and provide training opportunities for the students who are specializing in the fields of water resources, environmental engineering, environmental management and conservation, and environmental health. For this purpose two programs are initiated as outlined below.

Visiting Graduate Student program:

Partial funding for visiting graduate students who are not pursuing a degree program will be made available based on the conditions outlined below:

- i. Duration maximum one year;
- ii. Applicant should be a graduate of an educational institution equivalent to a BS degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering in their own country.
- iii. The applicant should be initially selected by their own educational system as a candidate for a one year visiting program at a higher education system outside their own country;
- iv. The local educational institution selecting the student or other recognized international agencies such as UNICEF, NATO, WHO, FULBRIGHT (or similar) should guarantee one-to-one matching funds for the applicant towards the support of the student's living expenses abroad in addition to *MESL* funds;
- v. The applicant should identify an area of need for their own country among the areas identified below and submit a plan of study to the MESL program (maximum two pages);
- vi. In addition to the program of study the applicant should submit MESL program their undergraduate education credentials, approved and verified matching funds sources as identified above and their TEOFL scores;
- vii. MESL program will only be responsible of the educational expenses of the applicant during their visit;

- viii. The applicant should be eligible for an educational visit to USA according to the laws and regulations established by the Department of Education, USA;
- ix. Based on qualifications, the final selection will be made by the MESL program faculty. It is anticipated that three visiting students per year will be funded.

The area of interest: Water resources, environmental engineering, management and conservation, and environmental health.

Graduate Research fellowships for an MS degree in Civil and Environmental Engineering:

Full funding for a graduate student who is pursuing an MS degree program will be made available based on the conditions outlined below.

This is a standard graduate student application to CEE, GT. The application standards and the application material are provided in the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering web pages (<u>http://www.ce.gatech.edu/</u>). The applicant should follow the information provided on the link (Application Information) carefully and submit a full application to the CEE, MESL program following the standards established in that channel. In addition to the standard application material identified above, the applicant should also identify an area of need that is of importance to their country among the study areas identified below and submit a plan of study to MESL program (maximum two pages).

It is anticipated that two graduate students per year will be selected for this program. The duration of funding will be two years. The funding level allocated to the student will be based on the standards established at Georgia Tech for foreign students.

The area of interest: Water resources, environmental engineering, management and conservation, and environmental health.

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