**ROBIN COPLAND MEMORIAL FELLOWSHIP:**

**NUCLEAR SECURITY**

The Robin Copeland Memorial Fellowship provides women from emerging countries an opportunity to acquire the knowledge and expertise required to advance their careers and become leaders in the male-dominated field. Fellows use the knowledge and practical experience gained through the program to conceptualize the nuclear proliferation threat, devise new solutions, and work to mitigate the threat tangibly. The investment in these women will pay dividends as they return to their home countries to become leaders in nonproliferation. As they enter these leadership positions, they will contribute to and foster the necessary diversity required to produce innovative solutions, increase international stability, and create lasting peace.

**General Information and Eligibility**

The program is open to early-career and mid-career women from the Indo-Pacific regionfrom nuclear backgrounds, including but not limited to the following:

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| **Policy/Government** | **Industry** | **Academia/Research** |
| Government ministries (various) | Private sector | Think tanks and policy institutions |
| International organizations | Universities |
| Regulatory agencies | Research institutions and analytical laboratories |

The program will cover all eligible participant costs related to domestic and international travel, registration/course fees, lodging, ground transportation, and visa application fees.

Important Notes: This program is open only to current female residents of the Indo-Pacific region. It is not a degree-granting program.

**Program Phases**

This is a three-phased program that will be implemented as follows:

* **Phase I:** Participants will complete a virtual onboarding program the month before the in-person fellowship, with additional time allocated for preparation and travel.
* **Phase II:** Fellows will engage in a one-month immersive fellowship with partner institutions, focusing on their capstone projects and fostering connections within the cohort.
* **Phase III:** Following the in-person fellowship, fellows will complete their capstone research. This phase will culminate in an in-person Capstone workshop, featuring additional professional development programming and an opportunity for fellows to present their Capstone research. We aim for this Capstone workshop to take place on the sidelines of a notable regional or global conference or event.

**Program Background**

This program is supported by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and is implemented jointly with CRDF Global. The program aims to promote and support the leadership of women in nuclear security and nonproliferation.

**Application Materials**

To be considered for the program, please submit the following (in English) to CRDF Global. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year.

* A completed RCMF application form
* A detailed curriculum vitae (CV)
* A letter of support from the applicant’s institutional sponsor
  + The program requires each applicant to have an institutional sponsor (either the applicant’s immediate supervisor or upper management) to commit their support to the candidate’s professional development following the program. The sponsor will need to provide a letter of support for the applicant, described below.
  + The letter should be on official letterhead, signed and dated by the applicant’s sponsor, and confirm the sponsor’s approval of the applicant’s participation in the program, as well as include:
    - The applicant’s full name (as appears on the applicant’s passport)
    - The applicant’s position title and institution name
    - The applicant’s intended fellowship focus area
    - The applicant’s supervisor’s consent to fellowship duration

Please submit the above as well as any application questions to [CopelandFellowship@crdfglobal.org](mailto:CopelandFellowship@crdfglobal.org) and cc [cfatigato@crdfglobal.org](mailto:cfatigato@crdfglobal.org).

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**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

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| **A. CONTACT INFORMATION (AS IT APPEARS ON YOUR PASSPORT)** | | |
| **Full Name (Last, First Middle):** | | |
| **Home Address *(Street, Building, City, Country):*** | | |
| **Home Telephone Number:** | | **Mobile Telephone Number(s):** |
| **Email:** | | **Second Email:** |
| **City and State/Province of Birth:** | | |
| **Citizenship(s):** | | |
| **Do you identify as female?** | | |
| **Where do you currently reside?**  Please note that this program is open only to current residents of the Indo-Pacific region. | | |
| **B. PASSPORT AND TRAVEL INFORMATION** | | |
| **Do you have a valid passport?**  YES  NO | | |
| **Passport Number:** | | **Passport Expiration Date:** |
| **If you have a valid visa to, or residency in, another country, please enter that information below**  Note: This information will help us understand your ability to travel and will not affect your eligibility for the program. | | |
| **COUNTRY** | **VISA or RESIDENCY VALIDITY DATES** | |
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| **Please list previous significant international travel: indicate places, dates, and reasons for travel** | | | |
| **COUNTRY** | **DATES** | **SPONSOR** | **PURPOSE** |
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**II. EDUCATION**

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| **A. LIST ALL UNIVERSITY EDUCATION, BEGINNING WITH THE MOST RECENT.** | | | |
| **DATES** | 0BINSTITUTE/UNIVERSITY | **MAJOR FIELD OF STUDY** | 1BDEGREE/DATE RECEIVED |
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| 1. **INDICATE ANY ACADEMIC HONORS YOU HAVE RECEIVED (*Include titles and dates*)** | | | |
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| 1. **LIST PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES, ASSOCIATIONS OR OTHER ORGANZIATIONS OF WHICH YOU ARE A MEMBER, PAST OR PRESENT (*Include the dates of your membership.)*** | | | |
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| 1. **LANGUAGE SKILLS**   ***(Rate yourself Native, Excellent, Good, Fair, Poor for all languages with which you are familiar.)*** | | | | |
| **LANGUAGE** | **READING** | **WRITING** | **SPEAKING** | **COMPREHENSION** |
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| **HAVE YOU EVER TAKEN A TOEFL OR IELTS EXAM? *IF YES, PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR SCORE.***  Yes ☐ No ☐ | | | | |

**III. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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| **WHAT SECTOR DO YOU WORK IN?** |
| Academia/Research  Industry (Private Sector)  Government/Policy  Other |
| *If other, please describe:* |

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| **HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR POSITION IN YOUR CAREER?** |
| Early-Career  Mid-Career  Senior Professional |

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| **CURRENT PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT:** | | |
| **Name of Employer/SUPERVISOR:** | **your Title/position:** | **Years at job:** |
| **DESCRIBE YOUR CURRENT OVERALL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES** | | |
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| **DESCRIBE ANY CURRENT DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (NOT ALREADY NOTED ABOVE) THAT RELATE SPECIFICALLY TO NUCLEAR SECURITY:** |
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| **LIST YOUR PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT HISTORY, BEGINNING WITH MOST RECENT:** | | | | |
| **DATES** | 2BINSTITUTION/ DEPARTMENT | 3BPOSITION/ TITLE | 4BCITY | 5BRESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES |
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| **HOW WOULD YOU DESCRIBE YOUR EXPERIENCE WITH THE TOPIC OF NUCLEAR SECURITY?**  (For more information on nuclear security, please visit <https://www.carnegie.org/programs/international-peace-and-security/>) |
| No experience  Some basic exposure or awareness  Moderate exposure and awareness  A great deal of exposure  I am an expert |
| *Please describe:* |

**IV. CAREER**

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| **PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR CAREER PATH AND DESCRIBE WHAT YOU HOPE TO BE DOING PROFESSIONALLY FIVE (5) YEARS FROM NOW.** |
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| **WHAT ROLE DO YOU SEE NUCLEAR SECURITY PLAYING IN YOUR CAREER PATH?** |
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| **PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROGRAM WILL HELP ADVANCE YOUR CAREER.** |
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**V. FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

**Regional Nuclear Security Fellowship**

Description: A tailored, month-long fellowship placement at a nuclear-focused institution to gain applied, practical experience with nuclear security or nonproliferation technical and/or policy topics while working side-by-side highly qualified fellowship hosts.

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| **Please describe what nuclear security-related topics you would want your fellowship to focus on.** |
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| **Please describe the intended results of your fellowship.** |
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| **Please describe your preferred fellowship host institution** (either institution type or a specific regional institution) |
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| **Do you confirm that if selected, you will be able to receive approval to leave your current workplace to travel for at least four (4) weeks to participate in the fellowship?** |
| YES  NO |

**VI. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE**

In addition to your above answers, please use the space below to explain *why* you want to participate in this fellowship. Feel free to be creative and include personal stories, goals, and motivations that did not fit in above sections.

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**VII. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION**:

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, (*Applicant Name*) affirm that the information submitted in this application is complete and accurate. I understand that providing false information on this application may disqualify me from participating in this program

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