OBJECTIVE
Showcase, promote, nurture, network and prepare USDA fellows for doctoral programs and/or workforce in the food and agricultural sciences.

ACTIVITIES
- Strengths identification exercise and communication science training
- Interactions with assigned mentors
- Resume and essay development with feedback from mentors
- Goals and educational/career plan development

EXPENSES COVERED
- Registration fees
- Travel
- Lodging
- Meals

APPLICATION CRITERIA
(Deadline: Priority Consideration Will be given to Applications Submitted by September 25, 2015)

Name
Priority Area
Institutional Affiliation
Educational/Career Goal Statement (300 words max)
Major Professor/Faculty Advisor Recommendation Statement (300 words max)

ELIGIBILITY
- Master level Latina/o student
- Affirmation of Ethnicity
- U.S. Citizen or U.S. Permanent Resident
- Interest Areas (USDA Priority Areas):
  - Food Safety
  - Climate Change
  - Sustainable Energy
  - Childhood Obesity
  - Global Food Security and Hunger
- Discipline Focus:
  - Agriculture
  - Food Science
  - Biosecurity
- Willingness to:
  - Sign a statement of commitment to pursue a doctorate or employment in a USDA Agency
  - Actively participate in the Institute activities as well as the follow-up activities (mentoring, networking, evaluation)

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