

# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

## MSc Fellowship Awards in Jordan

**Due Date – 25 September 2021**

MEDRC Water Research is pleased to announce the 2021 batch of the MEDRC MSc Fellowship Awards in Jordan, administered in collaboration with the Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI), Jordan Valley Authority (JVA) and Water Authority of Jordan (WAJ), with funding provided by the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Federal Republic of Germany.

The MEDRC Water Research MSc Fellowship Award provides targeted funding to exceptional Master's students to help them pursue original research in critically important areas of water science and security. MEDRC Fellowship funds may cover tuition and fees as well as research costs. To date, MEDRC has supported over 300 water research projects across Palestine and Jordan, addressing national priorities of the water sectors in both countries.

Awarded MSc Fellows will be selected by a panel of experts representing MEDRC and participating Universities, with additional selected representatives, reflecting the national priority research interests of the Jordanian water sector, and international standards of excellence. Candidates will be rated on comprehensive criteria reflecting their academic ability, innovative ideas, the strength of the research proposal, and the strategic impact of their work on local water challenges.

MSc Fellowship selection criteria will be based on a scored system assessing the following:

- ✦ Strength of research proposal and applicability to regional water issues
- ✦ Academic profile—course transcripts, thesis, and publications
- ✦ Professional work experience
- ✦ Statement of purpose
- ✦ Letter of recommendation
- ✦ Interview assessment (*if applicable*)

For those interested in applying for a 2021 MEDRC MSc Fellowship Award, please submit an Application at [medrc.org/fellowships](https://medrc.org/fellowships) including all required supporting documents. Please see below for the requirements.

## 1.1 ELIGIBILITY

### Must be a resident national of Jordan

Applicants are expected to have:

- an unconditional offer for, or be enrolled in, full-time MSc coursework at a qualifying university;
- completed an undergraduate degree in a related subject (relevant work experience in a related sector is also valuable);
- fluency in English—able to complete the original Master’s thesis in English;
- a clear thesis proposal including comprehensive budget, addressing an immediate need or specific problem as identified by the water authorities in Jordan, related to: desalination, hydrology of arid areas, climate change, water treatment/water quality monitoring, water reuse; water loss reduction; renewable energy (for the water sector); or water resource management; and
- an ability to have a significant, positive impact on water management, desalination or water reuse issues locally and in the MENA region during their career, will also form part of the competitive selection process.
- Water diplomacy, water negotiations or cooperation (incl. civil society initiatives)

## 1.1 APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Candidates who meet the above eligibility requirements should submit a completed application with required supporting documents **before 26 September**
- Successful candidates will be notified of the award by MEDRC Water Research in **October/November**

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