Up to 100 female students per year will be selected, subject to availability of funding. Consideration is given to geographic and field of study diversity. Scholarships will be awarded once a year.

Selected students are awarded up to €20,000 for tuition costs and up to €20,000 for living costs for the duration of their Master’s programme.

Budget and funding

Total funding needs for 100 students is in the range of 4-6 million euros per year. Costs associated with the implementation of this are secured from extra-budgetary resources, in line with established Agency procedures.

Partners can engage in the Programme by providing extra-budgetary contributions and in-kind support.

If you are interested in partnering for MSCFP please contact MSCFP@iaea.org.

Member States are encouraged to reach out to their national stakeholders from academia, the private sector, foundations and similar to assess their interest in supporting the Programme.

All partners of the Programme (universities, donors, collaborating centres, etc.) are encouraged to use their own communication channels to promote the Programme.

For more information on MSCFP, including the next application cycle, visit www.iaea.org/MSCFP
IAEA Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowship Programme

A workforce skilled in nuclear science is essential to realizing the full potential of nuclear technology. Such workforce must include both women and men, because gender diversity is vital for driving more innovative and sustainable solutions in the nuclear field. However, with women currently making up less than a quarter of the nuclear workforce, the nuclear field is missing out on a wealth of talent and expertise.

Acknowledging the important role of education in developing a healthy pipeline of young professionals, in March 2020 the IAEA has set up a scholarship programme for female students who wish to pursue a career in nuclear related field. The programme provides scholarships for Master’s programmes along with internship opportunities.

The selection of first 100 MSCFP students was announced in November 2020.

Objectives

Attracting women to nuclear science and technology and providing an environment for them to thrive in and progress are important in meeting the demand for a nuclear workforce of the 21st century. Raising the overall participation of women in the nuclear field will also contribute to gender equality in national programmes and at the IAEA.

The overall objective of the MSCFP is to encourage young women to pursue a career in nuclear field.

The long term vision for the IAEA Marie Sklodowska Curie Fellowship Programme is to contribute to the emergence of a new generation of women leaders in nuclear field, and to promote their effective participation in the global scientific and technological development and contribute to a peaceful, prosperous and sustainable world.

Programme details

Selected students receive a scholarship for Master’s programmes in nuclear related fields at an accredited university. Students will have an opportunity to pursue an internship related to their field of study for up to 12 months, facilitated by the IAEA.

The Programme is open for students from IAEA Member States who meet the following criteria:

- female candidates,
- acceptance by/enrolled in an accredited university for a relevant Master’s programme,
- preference will be given to those applicants with an above average academic credentials (75% or above or GPA > 3.0 out of 4.0).