

NSF IRES GLOBAL FLOOD RESILIENCE PROGRAM

Application for Case Study Research in **Busan, South Korea**

Application Information

Please read the application thoroughly and answer all questions completely. Incomplete applications will not be processed.

The application process consists of three rounds: a letter of intent (LOI), a full research plan, and an interview. In the first round, please type, combine, and submit the application form, LOI, and Curriculum Vitae (or resume) as one PDF file (no '.zip' files) to ldrt-gfrp@tamu.edu by **November 30, 2025**. You will be notified by the beginning of January 2026 of whether you are encouraged to submit a full research plan. Full research plans are due by **January 25, 2026**. In the final round, the interview will be by invitation only, and detailed instructions will be provided to applicants who advance in the application process.

Since this program entails travel abroad, applicants must possess a valid passport with an expiration date after December 31, 2026. Selected students will be asked to submit a photocopy of their valid passport by April 2, 2026.

At the time of application and travel (May 31 to July 11, 2025), applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents, over the age of 18, and attending one of the following partner institutions: Texas A&M University (Galveston or College Station campus) or the University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez.

Statement of Confidentiality: The information contained in this application will only be used to determine the applicant's eligibility for the NSF IRES – Global Flood Resilience Program. All information received will be kept confidential.

Note: A virtual orientation for selected students will be held on April 2, 2026. Attendance is mandatory.

Write Your Selected Focus Area (F) and Research Question (R)

Focus Area:

**Research
Question:**

Part 1: Applicant Information

Full Name:

Last

First

Middle Initial

Address:

Street

City

ST

Zip

Cell Phone:

Email:

Nationality:

Date of Birth:

Part 2: Educational Information

Name of the University
You Currently Attend:

Undergraduate Students Only

Current Class Standing
(check one):

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

Other (Specify):

Major:

Minor:

Department:

Major GPA:

/

Cumulative GPA:

/

Expected Graduation Date:

Academic Advisor:

Graduate Students Only

Master's:

PhD:

Current Year Standing
(check one):

1st Year

2nd Year

3rd Year

4th Year

Other (Specify):

What Have You Completed?
(check all that apply)

Preliminary Exam

Qualifying Exam

Comprehensive Exam

Expected Graduation Date:

Research Area:

Department:

GPA:

/

Academic Advisor:

Part 3: Eligibility Information

Will You Be Over Age 18 at the
Time of Travel (May 31, 2026)?

Yes

No (Applicants must be over age 18)

You must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and possess a valid passport with an expiration date after December 31, 2026. Failure to submit photocopies of the required documents will result in forfeiture of your place in the program.

I have read and agree to this condition.

Part 4: Letter of Intent (LOI)

Please provide a Letter of Intent (400-500 words) describing:

- Why you selected a given focus area.
- Your proposed research question(s).
- How your background and research interests will contribute to this case study and your success as a researcher during the course of this program.

Part 5: Curriculum Vitae/Resume

Please provide a CV or resume (maximum two pages). Graduate students must submit a CV.

Application Package* Checklist

I Have:

Completed the application form

Attached a Letter of Intent (LOI)

Attached a CV or Resume

*The application package must be typed and submitted as a single PDF file (no ".zip" files) to idrt-gfrp@tamu.edu by November 30, 2025.

How Did You Hear About This Program?

Advisor/Professor

Previous Participant

Friend/Colleague

IDRT Website

LinkedIn

Other (Specify):