

IRELAND GOVERNMENT SCHOLARSHIP

INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS: 2027/2028 IRELAND FELLOWS PROGRAMME (*ROGER CASEMENT FELLOWSHIP IN HUMAN RIGHTS*)

The Federal Ministry of Education is in receipt of information calling for applications on scholarship slots allotted to Nigeria by the Government of Ireland under the Ireland Fellows Programme (IFP).

General Information on the Programme and Application Procedures

- i. **The Ireland Fellows Programme (IFP)** is a one year fully funded Fellowship at Master's level for Early or Mid-class civil servants and administrators with at least three (3) years working experience and on salary grade level (GL.) 9 – 13;
- ii. **The Programme Award covers**
 - Programme (Tuition) fees;
 - Return Flights;
 - Accommodation Support; and
 - Monthly Stipend for living costs.
- iii. **The Fellowship offers** training in fields aligned with Nigeria's National Development Goals which includes Humanitarian Action, Gender Studies, Human Rights Law, Criminal Justice System, Public Policy, Governance and Development Studies.
- iv. **Stage 1 - preliminary application: opens 29th June 2026 and closes 26th July, 2026;**
 - Stage 1 Application Form can be accessed via the link: <http://ifp.commercium.africa/> from 29th June onwards;
 - Eligible applicants at Stage 1 will be scored by the selection panel;
 - Final decisions of the selection panel will be communicated to the candidates;
 - eligible shortlisted candidates will take the **Duolingo English Test**;
- v. **Stage 2 - Detailed application: opens 21st September 2026 and closes 18th October, 2026;**
 - Successful candidates from Stage 1 and Duolingo English Test will be invited to move on to Stage 2 of the process and complete more detailed Application Form including the submission of a scanned copy of the following documents:
 - International Passport Data Page/NIN Slip;

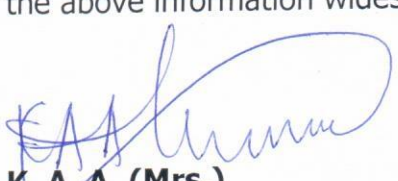
- . Undergraduate Degree Award Certificate;
- . Final Degree Academic Transcripts;
- . Letters from two academic referees on official letterhead with contact details for the referees and original signatures;
- . One recent passport photograph;
- . Evidence of English language proficiency certificate/Recently taken IELTS score report;
- . Current C.V
- Copies of documents listed above should be in **PDF format** and should be submitted as separate attachments at the website link:
<http://ifp.commercium.africa/>
- Use the following format when naming each of the documents to be attached:
Your Name – Passport
Your Name – Undergraduate Degree Certificate
Your Name - Academic
- Your application should be personal to you and provides insight into who you are and you must not use someone else's work or present content generated by AI (Artificial Intelligence);

vi. **Stage 3 – Interviews and further English Tests:**

Successful candidates from Stage 2 will be invited for Interview during which they are to present all the original relevant documents.

vii. **Final list of selected candidates** will be forwarded to the Management Agency for the Ireland Fellows Programme.

The Head of Departments of the Ministry and Chief Executive Officers of Parastatals are requested to give the above information widest publicity.


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