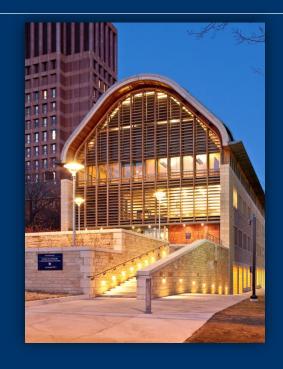
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# F&ES Prospective Student Presentation featuring the Africa Student Interest Group

# **Agenda**

- Brief Program Overview
- Application Process
- Compelling Statement, Resume and References
- Navigating the Financial Aid Process
- Student Experience
- Why F&ES
- Q&A



### **Current Students**



James Wainaina Ndung'u, MEM 2020



Paul Mukiza Hatanga, MEM 2020



Lysa Uwizeyimana, MEM 2020

# **F&ES Programs**

### **2-Year Masters Degree** offerings include:

Master of Environmental Management **MEM**Master of Forestry (SAF Accredited) **MF**Master of Environmental Science **MESc**Master of Forest Science **MFS** 

**1-Year Mid-Career Masters Degree** (for those with at least 7 years of related professional work experience) offerings include:

Master of Environmental Management Master of Forestry (not SAF accredited)

5-Year program for Yale College and Yale NUS students

https://environment.yale.edu/academics/degrees/

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# **Joint Degree Options**

### Joint degree programs are available with the following:

#### Yale Schools:

Divinity (MDiv or MAR)

Architecture (MArch I or II)

Law (JD)

Global Affairs (MA)

International Development Economics (MA)

Management (MBA)

Public Health (MPH)

African Studies; East Asian Studies or European & Russian Studies (MA)



- Vermont Law and Pace Law Schools
- Joint program with Universidad de los Andes (MBA)-Bogota, Colombia



### **Research Centers & Programs**

### F&ES is home to 15 centers of research, including:

- Center for Business and the Environment (CBEY)
- Center for Environmental Law and Policy (YCELP)
- Center for Green Chemistry and Green Engineering at Yale
- Center for Industrial Ecology
- Environmental Leadership and Training Initiative (ELTI)
- Global Institute of Sustainable Forestry
- Governance, Environment and Markets Initiative
- High Plains Stewardship Initiative (UCROSS)
- Hixon Center for Urban Ecology
- Tropical Resources Institute (TRI)
- The Forests Dialogue
- The School Forests
- Urban Resources Initiative (URI)
- Yale Climate Connections
- Yale Program on Climate Change Communication



### **Career Development Office**



- Workshops
- Informational Sessions
- Career Fairs
- Resume Book
- Individual Advising
- Career Panels
- Funding for Internships/Research
- Employment Data

### **F&ES Community**

#### **MODS**

- 3 Weeks in August
- Technical Skills Training
- Tradition

#### **Forestry Club and SAC**

- Thank Goodness I'm a Forester!
- Scheduled Social Activities and Gatherings
- Student Life and Academic Affairs

### **Student Interest Groups (SIGs)**

- Over 30 available
- Examples: Fresh & Salty, Asia SIG, Afri SIG



# **New Haven Community**

#### Food

 5 Star Dining to Food Carts

#### **Events**

 Festivals, Community Groups, Cultural Celebrations

#### Art

 World Class Museums, Theater, Symphony

#### Recreation

 Hiking, Boating, Biking, Sports...

#### **Communities**

- East Rock
- Downtown
- Wooster Square

#### **Transportation**

- Shuttle
- Metro-Rail
- Amtrak
- Airport
- Zip-car
- Bike Share

#### **More Information:**

Livingnh.yale.edu



# **Preparatory Coursework**

Applicants from all disciplinary areas are eligible for admission, however it is recommended to have the following coursework (at the post-secondary level) as a foundation prior to starting a Masters degree at F&ES:



- 2 Biological Sciences
  - Biology
  - Ecology
  - Zoology
  - Botany
- 2 Physical Sciences
  - Chemistry
  - Physics
  - Hydrology/Soil Science
  - Geology/Earth Science
- 2 Quantitative Sciences
  - Calculus
  - Statistics
  - Linear Algebra
  - Discrete Mathematics
- 2 Social Sciences
  - Anthropology
  - Sociology
  - Political Science
- 2 Economics
  - Microeconomics
  - Macroeconomics
  - Environmental Economics

# **Application**

- Statement (650 word maximum): Personal (MEM & MF) or Research (MESc & MFS)
- Short Essay (MEM/MF Only)
- Short Takes
- Resume/CV
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
- Transcripts from all post-secondary institutions attended
- Official TOEFL (minimum 100) or IELTS exam report (minimum 7.0, with 6.5 in individual sections)
  - For all applicants whose native language is not English or whose primary language of instruction for their Bachelors degree was not English
- Supplemental Statements for the following applicants:
  - MESc and MFS Supplemental Statement
  - 1 year mid-career MEM or MF program statement
  - 5 year MEM or MESC statement
  - Gaps in Resume statement
- Optional Contribution to Community statement for all applicants
- \$80 application fee (need-based fee waiver is available)
- After Submission: Online Supplement

# Statement, Resume & References

- Statement (650 word maximum): Personal (MEM & MF) or Research (MESc & MFS)
  - Show focus, be authentic, be specific, (avoid generalizing)
  - Connect the dots between experience and current focus and goals
  - MEM/MF
    - Cover background, educational goals, post-degree professional goals, and why Yale F&ES
  - MESc/MFS
    - Cover scientific experience, academic interests, proposed research topic, career objectives and why Yale F&ES
- Resume
  - Include all experience, pre & post graduation: professional/internship/volunteer
  - Highlight achievements, leadership, publications, research, etc.
  - Show a demonstrated commitment to the environment /relevant environmental experience
  - 2 3 pages
- 3 Letters of Recommendation
  - References who know you well
  - Can evaluate your scholarship, professional activities, leadership skills, and career goals
  - Diversify your references (academic & professional)

# **Financial Aid**

- F&ES offers scholarships primarily based upon demonstrated need
- There are a few merit research awards annually
- The average amount of funding in 2019 was \$17,000
- Scholarships are awarded for both years of enrollment
- FES X Funds: Outside Scholarship Database
- All students are required to complete the FAFSA (domestic only) and the F&ES
   Financial Aid Form
- DEADLINE: February 15, 5:00 pm EST



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Q&A

# Thank you