



EAST-WEST CENTER  
EDUCATION PROGRAM

**ESSAYS TO ACCOMPANY THE GRADUATE DEGREE FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION FORM**

Provide your essay responses on separate sheets of paper. Note the essay number and your name at the top of each essay.

- 1) Write an essay in which you discuss your long-range goals and objectives in pursuing your degree, stating their relevance for the East-West Center and its programs of international research and community building. (Maximum length: five pages)
- 2) Write a brief biographical essay in which you discuss your background including community service or civic engagement activities, and reasons for pursuing graduate study. (Maximum length for the essay: two pages)

Note: Include a copy of your resume or curriculum vitae.

- 3) Your participation in EWC seminars, activities, and residential community will be alongside students from the U.S., Asia and the Pacific region. Please comment on your preparedness for this inter-cultural learning environment. (Maximum length: two pages)
- 4) As part of the fellowship, students complete an East-West Center academic requirement. This may involve completion of one of the following interdisciplinary graduate certificates: Leadership, International Cultural Studies, Population, or Conflict Resolution, or invited involvement in an East-West Center research project. If you would be interested in being involved in research with an EWC project, please list the research area you would be interested in and discuss why you selected this area. If your preference is for a certificate program, indicate your interest. Refer to the enclosed East-West Center Education and Research Programs booklet for a list of research projects and certificate programs descriptions. (Maximum length: one page)
- 5) Complete the following essay *only if* you have indicated you want to be considered for the ADB scholarship in addition to the East-West Center Graduate Degree Fellowship. (Maximum length: five pages)

Write an essay in which you discuss your long range goals and objectives in pursuing your degree stating their relevance to the **ADB Strategic Development Objectives** as described on the ADB website, [www.adb.org](http://www.adb.org):

“The adoption of poverty reduction as a strategy gave primacy to ADB’s fight against poverty. ADB continues to carry out activities to promote economic growth, develop human resources, improve the status of women, and protect the environment, but these strategic development objectives now serve its poverty reduction agenda. Its other key development objectives, such as law and policy reform, regional cooperation, private-sector development, and social development, also contribute significantly to this main goal.”