The Orrick Fellows Program was established in 2018, thanks to the generosity of the international law firm of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP and Harvard alumni. The Fellows Program is designed to support students in the study of the relationship between Africa and China, including through appropriate fieldwork in Africa or China.

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The Orrick Fellows Program is administered by East Asian Legal Studies at Harvard Law School and is intended principally to support Harvard Law School students, but applications will also be considered from students from other parts of the University, with a preference accorded to those projects concerning issues of law, governance, and the economy. Projects by Harvard Law School students may involve independent study projects, independent clinical projects, work done in conjunction with a course, or a summer public interest placement.

**Application Requirements**

- A 1000-1500 word proposal detailing the project’s goals and methodology.
- A one-page budget proposal detailing anticipated project-related expenses.
- A letter of recommendation from a member of the Harvard faculty (sent directly from the faculty member by email to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies: aemery@law.harvard.edu). We ask that the faculty member writing the letter first review the project proposal and that the letter include an assessment of the project’s feasibility and merit.
- A current Harvard transcript
- A resume
- A bibliography of sources to be consulted (only for research and writing projects).
For Winter 2019 funding, students must submit their applications by 5:00 p.m. EST on November 5, 2018 to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).

For Spring 2019 funding, students must submit their applications by 5:00 p.m. EST on November 19, 2018 to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).

For Summer 2019 funding, students must submit their applications by 5:00 p.m. EST on April 1, 2019 to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).

For Fall 2019 funding, students must submit their applications by 5:00 p.m. EST on June 1, 2019 to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).

In exceptional cases, funding may also be available at other times or granted for group projects. Students with exceptional circumstances should address their inquiries to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).

Selection Criteria

In-depth, appropriately scoped projects that focus on a particular locality and a discrete set of questions produce the best results. The Orrick Fellows Program Selection Committee considers the following criteria in determining which projects will receive financial support as well as the amount of support:

- The extent to which projects may offer insight into a specific aspect of the Africa-China relationship
- The reasons the student wishes to undertake the project, including its relation to the student's academic and professional goals
- The need for project-related travel
- The student's relevant experience and qualifications for the project, including any necessary foreign language proficiency
- The originality and significance of the project
- The strength of supervisor support
- The soundness of the proposed budget

Use of Human Subjects

If research involves human subjects or obtaining identifiable data about them, then it must be submitted to the Committee on the Use of Human Subjects. Please review the information on the CUHS website for guidance and contact them directly by email with any questions: cuhs@fas.harvard.edu.

Reporting Requirements

Within 30 days of completing their fellowships, Orrick Fellows must submit a 1000-1500 word final report about what they achieved during the fellowship term. In addition to describing what they learned, Fellows should use the final report as an opportunity to describe how insights gained from the project will contribute to their ongoing academic and professional growth. Orrick Fellows must submit scanned copies of all project-related receipts along with the final written report to Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).

For questions regarding the Orrick Fellows program, please contact Alonzo Emery, Associate Director of East Asian Legal Studies (aemery@law.harvard.edu).