



## Funded PhD opportunity for research to improve Agriculture, Nutrition and Health in Africa and Asia

- Supervisor:** [Prof. William A. Masters](#)  
Friedman School of Nutrition Science and Policy, Tufts University
- Duration:** Four years, from September 1, 2025
- Project:** [The Agriculture, Nutrition, and Health \(ANH\) Science-Policy Platform](#)  
funded by the UK FCDO and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Support:** Competitive stipend, health insurance, tuition and fees, visa assistance

Prospective students are invited to apply for a fully funded PhD position in Friedman School of Nutrition at Tufts University, as part of the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Health (ANH) Science-Policy Platform. The Friedman School's PhD program involves coursework followed by doctoral exams and dissertation research, as described here: <https://nutrition.tufts.edu/academics/degrees-programs/doctorates>.

The ANH platform's purpose is to promote use of scientific evidence in policy decision making to improve agriculture and food systems for nutrition and health, particularly in Africa and Asia. For this project, the student would support the platform by:

- Updating the [Support Centre for Agriculture and Nutrition Research \(SCANR\)](#), an online resource to help ANH members use new methods and data across diverse fields of expertise;
- Managing our [ANH Academy Week](#) events, including online and in-person Learning Lab workshops and research conference activities; and
- Leading new studies in the student's areas of interest, including discussions of data, methods and results in the Platform's [Research Communities](#).

The student's work would be supervised by Prof. Will Masters and project manager Alex Knueppel alongside others supporting the ANH Science-Policy Platform at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM) and its partner institutions. Successful applicants for this role will have:

- Completed a master's degree prior to September 2025 in any related field, providing foundational skills in data analysis applicable to agriculture, food and nutrition in Africa or Asia;
- Research experience involving climate change, agricultural production, food systems, nutrition and public health or related topics in Africa or Asia;
- Career interests in research for agriculture, food systems and nutrition in low-income countries.

Candidates should send a CV and expression of interest to [william.masters@tufts.edu](mailto:william.masters@tufts.edu), and then apply as soon as possible before Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> at <https://gradhlthsci.admissions.tufts.edu/portal/nutr>.