

# Fellowship Programs



## Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program [www.umn.edu/humanrts/center/humphrey](http://www.umn.edu/humanrts/center/humphrey)

The Humphrey Fellowship Program provides a year of professional development, related academic study, and cultural exchange in the United States for mid-career professionals from developing countries throughout the world. It is a Fulbright Program sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and administered by Executive Director Ed Roslof and the Institute of International Education. Fellows are placed nationally at one of fifteen U.S. universities chosen for excellence in relevant fields and for the resources and support they offer the Humphrey Fellows. Fellowships are granted competitively to professional candidates with a commitment to public service, and Fellows are assigned to a host university based on their interests and needs. This year's program includes 187 Fellows from 94 countries, hosted by 17 universities throughout the United States.

The University of Minnesota has welcomed Humphrey Fellows since 1981, attracting more than 436 Fellows from 113 countries around the world. After successfully reapplying to the Institute of International Education last year, the Human Rights Center/Law School and the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs now each host a cohort of Fellows, focusing respectively on Public Administration and Law and Human Rights. Humphrey Law Fellows bring with them a wealth of expertise and experience. They are experts on a variety of legal issues, such as women's rights, anti-human trafficking laws and policy, law enforcement, alternative dispute resolution, children's rights, the right to free and fair elections, criminal law, family law, and domestic abuse.

This year, University of Minnesota Humphrey Fellow Suaad Salman Allami was selected as one of only eight women worldwide to receive the International Woman of Courage Award, which was presented by First Lady Michelle Obama and Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

### 2009-2010

#### Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows

*Riffat Inam Butt, Pakistan*

*Uttam Kumar Das, Bangladesh*

*Ibrahim El Ghazawi, Egypt*

*Zhiyuan Guo, China*

*Marie Chantal Koffi, Côte d'Ivoire*

*Grzegorz Lewocki, Poland*

*Edmon Marukyan, Armenia*

*Outeiba Ahmad Merhebi, Lebanon*

*Carmen Elena Molina, El Salvador*

*Suaad Salman Allami, Iraq*



## 2009-10 Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows



**Ms. Riffat Inam Butt**  
*Pakistan*

Ms. Butt is an attorney and a civil/family court judge. She holds a master's degree in political science.



**Mr. Grzegorz Lewocki**  
*Poland*

Mr. Lewocki is an attorney and a legal Expert/Advisor for the Ministry of Justice in the Human Rights Unit.



**Mr. Uttam Kumar Das**  
*Bangladesh*

Mr. Das is an attorney and has most recently worked as the National Program Officer at the International Organization for Migration (IOM).



**Mr. Edmon Marukyan**  
*Armenia*

Mr. Marukyan is an attorney, lecturer, and a member of the Public Monitoring Group, observing the rights of persons taken into custody.



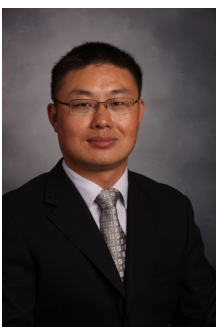
**Dr. Ibrahim EL Ghazawi**  
*Egypt*

Dr. El Ghazawi holds a doctorate in law and is a lieutenant colonel of police in the Ministry of the Interior and conducts human rights trainings for police officers.



**Ms. Outeiba Ahmad Merhebi**  
*Lebanon*

Ms. Merhebi is an attorney and works in Tripoli. She is a founding member of the Arabic Women Lawyers' Association.



**Mr. Zhiyuan Guo**  
*China*

Dr. Guo is an attorney, professor, and the director of the Center for Law Application of Anhui University.



**Ms. Carmen Elena Molina**  
*El Salvador*

Ms. Molina is an attorney and a family court judge for the Edificio SVM. She holds a degree in psychology.



**Ms. Marie Chantal Koffi**  
*Côte d'Ivoire*

Ms. Koffi is an attorney, judge, and the Deputy Chairperson of Youth Administration in the Department of Justice in Abidjan.



**Ms. Suaad Salman Allami**  
*Iraq*

Ms. Allami is an attorney and operates Women for Progress, a Baghdad assistance center with free legal, medical, and educational services for women.



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Welcome Reception in September



Fall Planning Retreat at Shalom Hill Farm in Windom



Pipestone National Monument Visit



Halloween Brunch with Host Families



Duluth Networking Visit in October



Hennepin County Juvenile Detention Center Visit in December