The PACT was formally established as a Statutory Board in January 1996 after the passing of the Protected Areas Conservation Trust Act, No. 15 of 1995; with legislative amendments being made in 2003 and 2015. The PACT is managed by a Board of Directors that is comprised of Government agencies, non-government organizations and individual experts. The general function of the Trust, according to the 2015 amendment, is to contribute to the sustainable management and development of Belize’s natural and cultural assets for the benefit of Belizeans and the global community, both now and for future generations.

Description
The PACT Environmental Fellowship Award is designed to provide financial assistance to dynamic and successful mid-career and/or senior professional Belizeans who are entering a graduate, post-graduate or professional development programme in an area of study that will contribute to the sustainable development of Belize’s National Protected Areas System (NPAS). The award may cover costs associated with tuition, registration, books, room and board, administrative fees, original research, final project or a scholarly work that can be published. Upon completion of the program, awardees are required to serve in Belize in a professional capacity that benefits the NPAS for a minimum of two years.

The PACT will award one Environmental Fellowship, valued at BZ$50,000, during its 2017/2018 operational year. Interested applicants should submit the following by the deadline date below:

- Completed and signed Application Form;
- Proof of Belizean Citizenship (passport, birth certificate, certificate of naturalization);
- One official academic transcript from each of the last two institutions of study;
- Acceptance letter, copy of program outline and fee schedule from Institution;
- Essay outlining your financial need, academic potential, reason for undertaking the program, linkage between the program of study and your work, what you hope to achieve at the end of your program course and the future of natural resource management in Belize;
- A two-page synopsis outlining your research interest or a proposal for the development of a new product (concept paper, proposals, publication, manual) of importance to the NPAS, capacity gaps to be filled, expected research site, stakeholder engagement, and financial requirements (identifying all counterpart funding or in-kind contribution);
- Letter/s of commitment from co-financiers where applicable;
- Two reference letters (1 from recent lecturer in relevant subject and 1 from current or immediate past employer);
- Applicant’s completed TD4-income tax form;
- Curriculum Vitae;
- 1 passport size photograph.

Note: Terms and conditions may apply.

For eligibility details, application forms and more information contact PACT’S Ag. Associate Director – Grants via email grantsinfo@pactbelize.org.

Submit complete applications (hard and soft copy) no later than August 11th, 2017 to:

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