SEC. 7605. EVA M. CLAYTON FELLOWS PROGRAM STUDY.

(a) PURPOSE.—The purpose of this section is to authorize a study to identify a suitable fellowship program to facilitate the maintenance of an adequate, nutritious, and safe supply of food to meet human nutritional needs and requirements. Any fellowship program recommended by this study shall be designed to conduct research and education on the eradication of domestic and world hunger and malnutrition.

(b) STUDY.—The Secretary of Agriculture shall conduct a study to identify a suitable fellowship program for faculty and graduate students from qualified institutions of higher education to combat hunger domestically and globally through research and education.

(c) SCOPE.—The study conducted under subsection (b) shall include the following:
(1) Assessment of the internal infrastructure needs of counties in the United States with below average food security indicators.

(2) Assessment of the internal infrastructure needs of lesser developed countries.

(3) Determination of the extent to which food and agriculture systems in the United States could be used to help meet the increasing demand for agricultural commodities to feed a growing domestic and world population.

(4) Assessment of existing fellowship programs within the Department of Agriculture related to hunger and malnutrition.

(5) Determination of the extent of which a new fellowship program could address the maintenance of an adequate, nutritious, and safe supply of food to meet human nutritional needs.

(6) Determination of the qualifications of suitable fellows, including—

(A) identification of the institutions of higher education at which a fellow shall be serving as faculty to be considered for selection;

(B) appropriate fields of academic expertise;
(C) how to encourage participation of fellows from institutions of higher education described in section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)); and

(D) any other information the Secretary of Agriculture may require.

(7) Determination of the qualifications of suitable graduate student participants, including—

(A) identification of the institutions of higher education at which a graduate student shall be enrolled to be considered for selection;

(B) appropriate fields of academic expertise;

(C) how to encourage participation of graduate students from institutions of higher education described in section 371(a) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1067q(a)); and

(D) any other information as Secretary of Agriculture may require.

(8) A detailed fellowship program proposal with explicit framework outlining the participation of faculty and graduate students from institutions of higher education, which shall include—
(A) specification of the mission of the fellowship program;

(B) justification for the program, including an explanation of differences between the proposed program and existing fellowship programs; and

(C) any other information the Secretary of Agriculture determines to be necessary for the implementation and execution of the fellowship program.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date on which funds are made available for the study under subsection (b), the Secretary of the Agriculture shall submit to Congress a report containing the findings and recommendations of such study.