Centre for Global Health

ANNOUNCEMENT
2023 GLOBAL HEALTH PRACTICUM AWARDS
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Launch date: November 30th, 2022
Deadline for submission:
Winter 2023 Practicum – December 14th, 2022
Summer 2022 Practicum – March 12th, 2023

DESCRIPTION

The awards will provide financial support linked to practicum placements addressing global health issues. The approach to global health at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health (DLSPH) is interdisciplinary and integrative, bringing together ideas, theories, and methodologies from multiple disciplines and sectors. The school emphasizes equity-oriented research, policy, and practice, that is, work focusing on the health and health system challenges of populations living and working in conditions of vulnerability in all countries and the relationship of these challenges to global, national and local political, social, economic, cultural, environmental and institutional factors.

ELIGIBILITY

All Dalla Lana School of Public Health (DLSPH), Master of Public Health (MPH), Master of Science (MSc), Master of Science in Community Health (MScCH) and/or students enrolled in the Collaborative Specialization in Global Health masters programs whose practicum placement is focused on global health (as defined above) are invited to apply for the 2023 Global Health Practicum Award. Priority will be given to masters students enrolled in the Collaborative Specialization in Global Health and those that have not received the award prior.

Funds Available

- A maximum amount of $8,000 will be awarded to students to support a global health practicum placement
- Funds must be expended within 4 months of the Award date.
GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICUM SITES

Although students are free to identify and cultivate their own global health practicum sites, students in the MPH Epidemiology and Health Promotion streams are encouraged to apply to global health practicum placements that have been advertised on Public Health Learning Network (PHLN) OR to contact the Centre for Global Health (CGH) for advice (globalhealth.dlsph@utoronto.ca).

Students wishing to complete a global public health practicum placement that has not been advertised on their PHLN must email Vadim Levin at globalhealth.dlsph@utoronto.ca by February 5th, 2022 at the latest to ensure that all necessary processes are in place. It is recommended that students explore back-up practicum placements in the event that a student’s first choice placement is not possible.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for this award, please e-mail the documents listed below, in one PDF format, to Vadim Levin at globalhealth.dlsph by by December 14th, 2022 if you are doing a winter 2023 term practicum or March 12th, 2023 if you are doing a summer 2023 practicum.

- A brief description of your global health practicum project, including a statement of interest (max. 2 pages, double spaced, 1-inch margins, 12-point font).

- The description should include the following information:
  - Your name, Master’s program, expected graduation date and expected dates for your trip to the placement site
  - Your practicum placement organization and the name and contact information of your supervisor/mentor at the host institution
  - The title and a brief summary of your practicum placement, including the objectives, the relevance and applicability of the proposed work to global public health (see definition in description of this Call).

- The statement of interest should include:
  1. Reflections on what you hope to learn from this placement, and what challenges you anticipate
  2. Reflections on the CCGHR Principles outlined in Appendix I in their statement
  3. The anticipated “value-add” of your placement/project to global health research, policy and/or practice

- A current curriculum vitae
- A letter of support from your supervisor/mentor at the host institution outlining the role and responsibilities you will have in the practicum placement
REPORTING PROCESS

To be reimbursed, awardees must submit:
- A final report, following a format that will be communicated to all Award winners
- A presentation on their experience to members of the DLSPH community.

AWARD REVIEW COMMITTEE

DLSPH and CGH Faculty will be recruited as reviewers for global health practicum award applications in line with practicum topic(s).

NOTICE OF DECISION

The application deadline timeline is as follows

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PRACTICUM PLACEMENT ABROAD REQUIREMENTS

Students completing practicum placements abroad must:

- complete a University of Toronto Safety Abroad requirements before departing on a global health placement.
- participate in another pre-departure workshop organized by the Centre for Global Health, details of which will be communicated later. This workshop is expected to be held sometime in March or April of 2023.
- A final report, following a format that will be communicated to all Award winners
- A presentation on their experience to members of the DLSPH community.

CONTACT

For more information, please contact globalhealth.dlsph@utoronto.ca
Appendix I

CCGHR Principles for Global Health Research | Nov. 2015

Health inequities are often avoidable consequences of actions and contexts that disproportionately advantage some groups over others. These negatively affect human rights, including the right to health. Global health research aims to promote greater equity worldwide. The principles of Authentic Partnering, Inclusion, Shared Benefits, Commitment to the Future, Responsiveness to Causes of Inequities, and Humility encourage researchers and others involved to adopt more ethical and equitable forms of global health research. These principles were developed through a multi-phase, dialogue-based research process in response to a call for action from researchers, funders, and administrators who indicated a need for greater governance to support global health research.

Who am I (are we) in this research context?
How am I (are we) positioning ourselves in this research?
What are the causes (and the roots of these causes) of inequities related to the research issue?
What are the implications for responding to causes of inequity?
How are contexts of global connectivity considered in this research?
How does this research contribute to a more equitable future?

- How has attention to other principles informed this partnership?
- How am I (are we) assessing equity in this partnership?
- What am I (are we) doing to foster equity in this partnership?
- How do our research practices proactively promote the involvement and participation of people who are historically marginalized?
- How is each partner benefiting from this research?
- How are benefits distributed amongst those involved?