The Integrated Network of Scholars in Global Health Research Training (INSIGHT) Program

Thank you for your interest in the Integrated Network of Scholars in Global Health Research Training (INSIGHT) D43 Program, funded by the NIH/FIH and partner institutes.

Please complete the application below. Applications received by April 8, 2022 will receive early consideration and decision by April 30, 2022. Regular decision applications are due by May 16, 2022.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION** First (Given) Name: Middle Name: Last Name (Surname) Please provide your current address. Street Address: City: State: Country: Zip Code: Is your permanent address different than the address provided above? (Yes/No) Permanent Address: Email Address: Telephone Number: Citizenship Are you a US citizen or permanent resident? (Yes/No) Country of citizenship

Race/Ethnicity (please select your primary self-identification)

Gender (please choose one)

Do you qualify as an individual from an underrepresented population or disadvantaged background, as per the following NIH definition: <a href="https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-031.html">https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-031.html</a>? Please read through the NIH definition prior to answering.

# **Education/Field of Study**

In May 2022, will you be a predoctoral (not yet completed terminal degree; current PhD, DVM, MD, MBBS, MMed student) or postdoctoral (completed terminal degree within the last 5 years) candidate?

Date terminal degree received or expected (MM-DD-YYYY):

What are your current academic credentials (DDS, DVM, MD, MBBS, PhD, etc.)? Please provide all.

What is the discipline/specialty of your most recent/current degree (public health, internal medicine, nursing, epidemiology, etc.)?

# Current professional title, department, and institution

What is your current professional title?

What is your current department?

What is your current institution?

#### Affiliation

With which US institution are you affiliated/connected?

If other, please list:

To which LMIC research site are you applying (limit one)? All LMIC scholars must apply to their own LMIC institution.

What is your skill level in the primary language of your proposed host country (note: language skills are not a requirement of the INSIGHT program and TOEFL is not required)?

All materials described below must be submitted along with this PDF form to awhittington@ihv.umaryland.edu with the subject line: INSIGHT application and your name by April 1, 2022 for early decision or regular deadline of May 16, 2022.

Be sure to save this PDF once you are done working so you do not lose your work. All information below may be submitted in one running word document with each section titled.

Personal Statement (< 800 words) Please submit a word or PDF document stating why you are interested in an international mentored global health research training experience. In addition, please describe how your career goals relate to global health and how this program will contribute to your professional advancement. Add previous experience or achievements in this area or your academic area if any. Please highlight existing relationships and outputs achieved with INSIGHT mentors.

## Research proposal (< 1,000 words)

Describe your proposed research project, including details on your mentorship plan for your fellowship year. Please use the following format:

- i. Research Project Title
- ii. Specific Aims
- iii. Research Plan
  - a. Significance
  - b. Innovation
  - c. Approach/Methods
- iv. References (does not count toward word limit)

# Mentorship plan (< 1,000 words)

Please briefly describe your primary mentors for your fellowship, their role on your mentoring team, and plans for mentoring interactions during your fellowship year. Specific details regarding frequency of the mentoring interactions and expectations between mentors and applicants are encouraged.

# IRB & Ethical Approval Plan (<500 words)

Is your proposed project within the scope of an existing approved IRB proposal? Y/N

If yes, please provide IRB #.

If no, please describe your timeline for applying for Institutional Review Board and ethical approvals. This should include both the U.S. and international site/national IRBs.

Priority will be given to projects with existing IRB approval

# Additional Funding (if applicable; <300 words)

Do you anticipate any potential co-funding for your fellowship year (e.g. T32 fellowship, institutional funding, in kind support, or other grants or fellowships to which you are applying)?

If yes, please describe:

# Timeline (<500 words)

Please describe what you intend to accomplish within the 12-month time frame, the feasibility and timeline of the study within the time frame, and the next steps to advance your research.

## Budget (<500 words)

Please attach a high-level budget that outlines the major costs needed to complete your research. Do not included your stipend and international travel. Please consider the following when developing your budget: study personnel, supplies (IT hardware and software), lab fees, local travel, and participant support costs. Please note, a more detailed budget will be needed upon acceptance. The average budget should be around \$5,000 - \$8,000.

# NIH-style biosketch

Please attach your NIH biosketch. Please see link <u>here</u> for the tool and information on creating the formatted NIH-style biosketch if necessary.

# **Educational Transcripts (doctoral and professional students)**

Doctoral and professional student applicants must provide a PDF copy of their most recent transcript. Non-official transcripts are allowed. Post-doctoral applicants do not need to include a transcript, but do need to provide proof of degree.

**Letters of support.** All applicants must submit two **signed** letters of support from their mentors. Please see the mentor page on the INSIGHT website for criteria to include in mentor letter of support:

#### Letter 1

Fellows must have the support of at least one program-affiliated faculty mentor from one of the four participating U.S. consortium institutions (Baylor College of Medicine, University of Alabama at Birmingham, University of Maryland Baltimore, University of Pittsburgh). Applicants must have communicated with their proposed faculty mentor(s) to obtain their endorsement of the application and submit a letter of support from the faculty member at the consortium institution who has agreed to serve as the applicant's research mentor. If you do not have a mentor yet, please see the program website for a list of mentors to coordinate with. Please attach the letter of recommendation with:

Sender's Name, Sender's Institution, Sender's E-mail, Sender's Telephone.

Alternatively, the letter may be emailed directly to awhittington@ihv.umaryland.edu.

### Letter 2

Fellows must have the support of at least one mentor from their proposed international site that is willing to serve as their LMIC site mentor. If you do not have a mentor from the proposed international site yet, please see the program website for a list of mentors to coordinate with. Please attach the letter of recommendation with:

Sender's Name, Sender's Institution, Sender's E-mail, Sender's Telephone.

Alternatively, the letter may be emailed directly to awhittington@ihv.umaryland.edu.

# Letter of commitment (if applicable)

If you will be taking time off from a current academic, residency, fellowship program, and/or current position in order to participate in the INSIGHT program, please attach an additional letter that includes the endorsement of your program director or current supervisor. The letter must acknowledge that the applicant, if selected, will be required to work 40 hours per week (at a minimum) on their project for 12 months. The letter must also describe how the applicant's current workload will be reduced to provide this protected time.

Questions? Contact the INSIGHT program coordinator, Maggie Whittington, at awhittington@ihv.umaryland.edu