

Purpose

This funding opportunity is intended to enable student participation in global health initiatives and/or international partnerships under the direct mentorship of UMMS faculty.

Background

There is a burgeoning interest among medical students to engage in learning opportunities that expose them to various aspects of global health, including: clinical management of disease processes rarely seen in the US; impact of policies and structures of different healthcare systems on the health outcomes of individuals; influence of cultural contexts on health and health care; and opportunities for collaborative research and education with partners in various parts of the world.

Increasingly, UMMS faculty members are developing collaborative relationships with international partners. Often there are opportunities to include student participation in these activities, resulting in meaningful learning experiences for the student and meaningful project/partnership progress for the faculty mentors – both at U-M and our partner institutions.

We believe there are valuable student learning opportunities inherent in all types of partnerships at all stages of development, from early-stage meetings to strengthen relationships and plan future collaborations, to educational/capacity-building endeavors and ongoing longitudinal research projects. This funding opportunity is intended to offset costly travel expenses associated with participating in such activities.

Eligibility

This funding opportunity is available to faculty/student teams that include a Global REACH Faculty Associate and a UMMS student in good standing. UMMS students pursuing an MD, master's, or PhD are eligible. Students enrolled in the Global Health and Disparities Path of Excellence will be given priority consideration. Faculty members who are not yet a Global REACH Faculty Associate may become an Associate by [completing the application here](#) and providing an updated CV and photo to Global REACH.

Funding Information

Travel grants in the amount of \$750 will be awarded to the faculty member to offset travel costs associated with bringing the medical student to the partner institution.

Applications Process

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis as funding permits. Complete applications include content provided by both the Faculty Associate and the student. The application process is as follows:

1. Faculty: Complete this form below and provide it to the student to submit with their application package to Global REACH.
2. Student: Complete the Travel Authorization/Funding Request form available on the Global REACH [website](#).
3. Funding decisions will be made within two weeks of receiving the application materials.

Post-Travel Expectations

At the conclusion of the travel, the student team will be asked to complete a post-experience survey, and to provide photos from the experience.

Faculty Member Name

Faculty Member Department

Student Name

Student Email

Location of Travel

Proposed Dates of Travel

In 200 words or less, describe the activity or event with which you hope to engage the student.

In 200 words or less, describe the relationship you have with this external organization.

In 200 words or less, describe the mentorship relationship you have with this student.

In 200 words or less, describe the learning outcomes you expect to result from this experience.

In 200 words or less, how will including this student in this activity/event benefit you/your lab?