DGHI Doctoral Scholars Program – Eligibility and Application Instructions

Eligibility
a. Any student currently enrolled full time in a Duke doctoral program and working with (or proposing to work with) a DGHI faculty member.
b. Doctoral student must show evidence of significant interest in research on an important global health topic and likelihood of conducting a global health dissertation.
c. Global Health Doctoral Scholars must be making successful academic progress in their home department.
d. Students are encouraged to apply starting in their second year of PhD study, though applications from first year students will be considered.

Program Duration
The Scholar appointment is for a minimum period of nine months (September to May). Initial funding is for one year and can be renewed for an additional year upon student’s successful application for continuation.

Application Instructions
To apply, please submit the following items to gh-education@duke.edu by the (typically mid-November), with "Global Health Doctoral Scholars Application" in the subject line of your email:

- A 3-5 page statement describing your background, global health interest, dissertation focus, and proposed research collaboration with DGHI faculty *(submitted directly by applicant)*
- Current curriculum vitae *(submitted directly by applicant)*
- A nomination letter detailing support for the applicant and a plan for mentoring his/her growth and development as a global health scholar *(submitted directly by faculty member)*
- Statement of support from home department advisor, if not same person as the DGHI faculty member above* *(submitted directly by advisor)*
- Letter of recommendation from Director of Graduate Studies of your home department *(submitted directly by DGS)*
- Unofficial transcript of graduate-level coursework from Duke

*The program is most relevant for students in schools/departments that train doctoral students and are also home to DGHI faculty members. It is recommended that the DGHI faculty mentor on whose research project the scholar is working also be the student's home department mentor/main advisor. In circumstances where this is not the case, or where the mentor/advisor wishes to collaborate for expanded global health research project opportunities, the student may propose to work with another DGHI faculty member. A letter stating the home department advisor's support of the student's application must be included with the above application materials.

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