



Request for Proposals Duke Global Health Institute Pilot Research DEADLINE: May 1, 2019

The Duke Global Health Institute (DGHI) invites interdisciplinary teams led by DGHI faculty to submit research proposals in an area of interest and/or priority for global health, that aim to achieve impact in strategic priority areas identified in the 2019-2024 Strategic Plan. Through this RFP, DGHI seeks to provide pilot funds to stimulate interdisciplinary research collaborations, with the larger goal of enabling investigators to leverage preliminary findings and data to obtain larger awards of external funding. Collaborative and interdisciplinary proposals are required. Teams including new investigators, investigators new to global health, investigators from 2 or more Duke Schools, Institutes, Centers or Departments, and/or investigators from low and middle-income countries, are encouraged. DGHI is looking for global health research ideas that will make a significant impact on improving health equity in one or more of three broad research areas articulated in the Strategic Plan: **Disease Elimination and Eradication, the Rising Burden of Non-Communicable Diseases, and/or the Environment and Health**. Investments may also focus on cross-cutting approaches in Innovation, Policy, Science and/or Technology related to the three research areas. We encourage cross-cutting investments that are applicable to more than one discipline or topic (e.g. something that would aid both malaria and cervical cancer elimination). Both the research areas and cross-cutting approaches are intended to be broadly defined—e.g. Science may include anything from genomics to implementation science to sociobehavioral science. Proposals that support and describe a sustainable line of global health research will be prioritized.

Eligible Applicants

[DGHI faculty](#) are eligible to apply for funding. Proposals that include collaborators from other institutions or elsewhere at Duke are encouraged, but the PI must be DGHI faculty.

Budgets

The budget may include: supplies, support for technicians, research assistants, and graduate students; research-related travel; and other justifiable and allowable research expenses. Faculty salary, travel to scientific meetings, and indirect costs are not allowable expenses. Applicants may apply for up to \$25,000 for a 12-month project. Smaller proposals for shorter periods are also encouraged.

Application Requirements

Proposals must be for activities in low, lower- and upper- middle-income countries ¹(a listing of eligible countries can be found at the World Bank website: <http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-and-lending-groups>). Applicants are encouraged to identify collaborating in-country investigators, and should describe plans for how the results generated will be applied to future external funding, as this will be an important criterion in the review.

1. Cover Page. Must include the following information:
 - Proposal title

¹ If you wish to propose a global health project that does not include LMIC activities, please contact John Bartlett to discuss and receive approval.

- Name, title, departmental affiliation, address, email address, and telephone number of all proposed investigators
 - Designation of a Principal Investigator or Co- Principal Investigators
2. Abstract (250 words maximum)
 3. Research Plan (3 page maximum; single-spaced, 12 point font, 1" margins) including:
 - Statement of research objectives
 - Significance of the research (including significance to DGHI and/or Global Health and to low and middle-income countries)
 - Proposed methods and plans for data analysis (specific details recommended)
 - Work already completed related to the proposed work (if relevant)
 - Description of the research team and research setting, including in-country collaboration plan
 - Potential for future external grant support
 4. Appendix Materials (1 page maximum each; single-spaced, 12 point font, 1" margins) including:
 - Research timeline and milestones
 - Letter of support from a collaborating researcher in a low or middle-income country
 5. Budget and Justification (1 page maximum)
 6. NIH Biosketch OR Curriculum Vitae
 - Include current grant support and limit to 5 pages for each investigator

Submission Format

Please combine all required elements into a single pdf document and submit via email to kelly.deal@duke.edu with the subject line of "DGHI Pilot Grant Submission."

Schedule

Application receipt date: May 1, 2019

Project start date: July 1, 2019

Inquiries

We welcome the opportunity to answer questions from potential applicants. Please submit inquiries related to this funding announcement to:

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