The Marshall Wolf Social Medicine Education Fellowship

2021 PROGRAM OVERVIEW AND APPLICATION

Program Vision: To support and mentor justice-minded health professionals from Haiti, Uganda and the US in their career development while preparing them to be effective leaders in the field of medical education and to tackle critical social, economic, and political factors linked to illness and healing. In so doing, we aim to foster medical education systems - in those countries and around the world - that are high-quality, led from within, and rooted in a deep understanding of social medicine principles.

Partners: The Fellowship draws upon the educational resources of the Brigham and Women’s Hospital (BWH) Department of Medicine, which has an unparalleled track record of innovation in the field of medical education; the Harvard Macy Institute; Harvard Medical School and other Harvard institutions; the University of Minnesota’s Center for Global Health and Social Responsibility; the cumulative expertise of EqualHealth’s partners and colleagues in the Social Medicine Consortium and Campaign Against Racism; and the insights and commitment of our Haiti- and Uganda-based partner organizations. The Fellowship is named in honor of Dr. Marshall Wolf, a tireless supporter of excellence in medical education, both at BWH and in Haiti.

Program Description: The Marshall Wolf Social Medicine Education Fellowship offers early and mid-career health professionals a unique, two-year* collection of professional development, training, and critical consciousness-building opportunities. Fellows, who hail from Haiti, Uganda, and the US, will develop their teaching, leadership and mentorships skills; engage in health equity advocacy as part of a global movement of social medicine educators and practitioners; participate in the planning and implementation of EqualHealth’s social medicine courses; and receive mentorship from EqualHealth’s global network of medical education and social justice leaders.

Fellowship Components and Benefits
- Attendance at seminars and externships at teaching institutions in Boston (Haiti/Uganda) and Minnesota (US) - subject to availability based on the status of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Mentored development of an educational project focused on social medicine
- Participation in the Harvard Macy Program for Educators in Health Professions in Fellowship Year 1 (Haiti- and Uganda-based fellows only)
- Clinical rotation and mentoring in outpatient clinic providing care to marginalized communities (Minnesota-based fellows only)
- Participation in other EqualHealth programs including mentorship of health professional students and interns and serving as a faculty member in EqualHealth’s Social Medicine Courses in Fellowship Years 1 and 2
- Regular mentorship from the EqualHealth leadership team and network of clinician-educators
- Fellows receive a monthly stipend for the duration of the fellowship, as well as travel, lodging and meal allowances while performing EqualHealth duties

Timing: Three fellows, who will be based in Haiti, Uganda, and Minneapolis, MN (US) will begin in August 2021 and will participate in the Fellowship for two years*, through July 2023.

*The Minnesota-based fellowship position will last from one to two years, to be determined by mutual agreement between EqualHealth and the fellow
Who Should Apply (Applicant Requirements):

**Minnesota-Based Fellow**
- Completion of or active enrollment in an advanced degree program in the health or social sciences (i.e., MPH, MSW, MS, MD or PhD in social sciences)
- U.S. citizenship or legal permanent resident status and work authorization
- Overseas experience or experience working in resource-limited settings

**Uganda- and Haiti-Based Fellows**
- Practicing physicians or nurses who are currently working at training institutions in Haiti or Uganda
- Completion of a residency training program for physicians (or comparable postgraduate training for nurses) is preferred
- Fellows must have strong written and spoken English skills
- Graduates of past EqualHealth social medicine courses will receive special consideration

Application Process
Fellows will be selected through a rigorous and transparent process. All applicants must submit all of the following application materials by the published deadline, with no exceptions. All application materials are due by June 20th, 2021. Applications will not be accepted past this date.

1. **Updated CV**
2. **Active professional practice license (if applicable)**
3. **A personal statement (maximum 2 single-spaced pages, in English). This statement should address:**
   - A brief summary of your experience as a teacher (where and whom you have taught), and what you have learned about how to be an effective teacher
   - What are your greatest strengths as a teacher? What are your greatest strengths as a leader?
   - What are the ways in which you would most like to improve as a teacher? What are the ways in which you would most like to improve as a leader?
   - How will you use the training you receive in the fellowship to improve the education of your colleagues and trainees after you return to Haiti?
   - **A description of an educational project you would like to implement at your home institution**
     Projects examples include: designing and teaching a new or revised course/clerkship or residency rotation; creating a faculty development program; introducing or enhancing professional rewards for healthcare educators.
4. **Two letters of recommendation** written by mentors, colleagues, or students who are well-acquainted with your work as a teacher and can speak to how you will benefit from participating in the fellowship.
5. **A signed and completed copy of the application and agreement form below**, outlining the responsibilities of the Fellow and EqualHealth as partners in the fellowship.

Please send all completed application materials to fellowships@equalhealth.org with the location to which you are applying (i.e., “Haiti,” “Uganda,” or “Minnesota”) in the subject line.
Application for
The EqualHealth Marshall Wolf Social Medicine Fellowship

Name (First, Last):

Address:

Email:

Telephone:

Preferred method of communication: [ ] Email [ ] Phone [ ] other

Academic Profile:
Current employer/Institutional Affiliation (University or Hospital):

Degree(s): [ ] MD [ ] PhD [ ] MA [ ] JD [ ] other (please specify):

Specialty or any additional training/certifications:

Linguistic Competency
Note that fellowship training and conferences will be conducted entirely in English. Please briefly describe your level of English proficiency:

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Please also list any other languages you speak:

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Fellowship Program Obligations

Fellows Agree:

1. To commit to the fellowship for two* calendar years, lasting from August 2021 through July 2023 (see footnote regarding Minnesota fellowship)
2. To be available for EqualHealth program activities for, on average, 5-10 hours per week for the duration of the fellowship.
3. To maintain frequent communication with the Fellowship administrators and mentors, and respond to all emails/phone calls within 2 business days whenever possible.
4. To pursue and gain the full support of their home institutions.
5. Haiti/Uganda fellows: To be available for two 2-week long education and training trips to Boston (possibly in October 2021, certainly in May 2022) and 3-4 conferences over the course of the fellowship.
6. Haiti/Uganda fellows: To be responsible for sharing the material learned in Boston with their colleagues upon their return to Haiti.

Compensation

- Fellows will receive a monthly stipend for the duration of the Fellowship, free flights and room/board for all trips related to Fellowship activities, and free attendance at the Harvard Macy course (approximate value is over $10,000)

[ ] I understand and accept the responsibilities listed above.

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Signature

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Date