



Post-Bachelor Fellowship Program at the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation Call for Applications

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation at the University of Washington is now accepting applications for the Post-Bachelor Fellowship Program for the Fall 2009 cohort.

The Post-Bachelor Fellowship (PBF) Program provides a unique opportunity for recent college graduates with strong quantitative skills to train with faculty and senior researchers on a variety of global health projects. The PBF program combines advanced on-the-job training and mentoring, and provides the option of pursuing a fully-funded Masters of Public Health (MPH). Through research, training workshops, coursework and field experience in developing countries, the PBF program aims to produce the next generation of scholars and leaders in global health measurement and evaluation.

The majority of the graduates of the PBF program pursue academic or professional careers in global health. The PBF program equips them with knowledge of current global health challenges, aptitude in applying and developing sophisticated analytical methods, and an appreciation of the critical role of sound evidence in health policy making.

Through close mentorship and advising, PBFs develop strong analytic skills and receive in-depth exposure to the quantitative methods used in global health research. Fellows train in every aspect of these projects, including building statistical models, writing statistical code, analyzing large datasets, and preparing presentations for conferences and manuscripts for publication.

The PBF Program involves a minimum of a two-year commitment commencing with training and orientation in early September. PBFs have the option of pursuing a fully-funded MPH in Global Health, starting in the second year of the fellowship. Fellows receive a salary of \$35,004 and are eligible for an insurance benefits package that includes a choice among several medical and dental insurance plans, life insurance, and long-term disability. There is no retirement package included with this appointment.

Applicants who are also considering pursuing an MD must be able to make a minimum of a two-year commitment to the PBF program. International students graduating from U.S. Institutions must have a complete 12 months of OPT (Optional Practical Training) time available on their student (F1) visa to be considered.

Fellowship Application Information

Basic Requirements: Bachelor's Degree and proven quantitative and analytical skills. High academic potential and a strong interest in pursuing academic or professional careers related to global health. No background in global health or related field is required.

Application Requirements:

The following non-returnable materials must be submitted by **January 15, 2009**:

- Resume (2 page limit)
- Official copy of academic transcript
- One letter of reference from a professor/professional familiar with your coursework or research
- Brief personal statement (500 word max.) on how your skills, experience and long term career goals contribute to your candidacy.

How to submit your application:

Complete applications can be mailed to:
Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation
University of Washington
Attn: PBF program
2301 5th Avenue, Suite 600
Seattle, WA 98121

Resumes and personal statements may be emailed to: pbfs@healthmetricsandevaluation.org

Applications will only be considered once all materials have been received.

Application Review and Selection Process

All submitted application materials for the Fall 2009 cohort will be reviewed by a team of faculty, senior researchers and the Education and Training Office at IHME. Notification will be made in February to those selected to interview for the program. These candidates will interview, either in person or via telephone, in March. Fellowships will be awarded by March 31st.

More information about the Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation can be found at:
<http://www.healthmetricsandevaluation.org/>

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