



Global Health Fellowship Opportunities after Residency –A Discussion with Global Health Fellows and Fellowship Leadership

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Learning Objectives:

1. Discover the various global health fellowship opportunities available after residency.
1. Describe the application process, the time commitments in the US and international settings, and possible career opportunities after completing global health fellowship.
1. Discuss program logistics (that is, curriculum and global health experiences), and participant responsibilities of each global health fellowship in breakout sessions.

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Brown University  BROWN

Location:

- US: Providence, RI
- International: Kenya, Mexico

Fellowship Opportunities:

- Global Health Faculty Development Fellowship
- Joint Global Health/Maternal Child Health Fellowship*

Fellowship Length: 2 years

Time abroad: 2-3 months/ year, total 4-6 months

*Please note, we are not accepting applications for the joint GHMCH fellowship for the 2021-2022 academic year. We will reopen for that track in 2022.

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Application Requirements:

Application:

- CV, personal statement, and 3 letters of recommendations
- **Application Deadline: Friday, October 2, 2020**
- Interviews (Virtual): rolling until November 2020 on select Tuesdays
- First offers for positions: Friday, December 18, 2020

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Clinical & Teaching Experiences: US

Clinical Sites:

- We partner with Blackstone Valley Community Health Center and Thundermist Health Center
 - Each are a federally qualified health center that serve a largely immigrant community

Teaching Site:

- Brown University Family Medicine Residency
 - Opportunities for precepting, inpatient rounding, and lecturing residents and medical students



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Clinical Experiences: International

Kenya:

- Located in rural Western Kenya through a partnership with AMPATH and Moi University
- Work with Kenyan faculty and residents on clinical (inpatient and outpatient) and research experiences

Mexico

- Compañeros en Salud site in the rural region of Chiapas
- Work with with healthcare team on outpatient clinical care and mentorship



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Unique Aspects

- Masters in Public Health with scholarship funding from Brown University
- Twice monthly global health didactics with fellows and global health faculty
- Research opportunities in the locally and internationally including grant writing, implementation science, data analysis, and dissemination
- Opportunities to attend and present at conferences
- Close one to one mentorship with global health faculty to help create a unique fellowship experience

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Florida State University



- We accept 2 fellows per year
- 12 month program (July 2021-July 2022)
- 6 months abroad (Honduras, Egypt, Papua New Guinea, Kenya)
- 6 months in Ft. Myers, FL as faculty at FSU Family Medicine Residency at Lee Health

Schedule is divided into 3 months at a time in each location, alternating between 2 fellows

Disclaimer: COVID 19 may affect travel timing depending on most up to date travel restrictions and destination country.

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- Contact program/fellowship director Dr. Gitu at Alfred.Gitu@leehealth.org
- Submit application including CV and letters of recommendation
- Set up interview--typically during the summer months preceding fellowship start year (July to October)
- Interview with Lee Health Leadership and clinical faculty including current fellows
- Generally hear back by December 2020-Feb. 2021
- Ability to obtain Florida medical license by start of fellowship

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CLINICAL EXPERIENCE



- **Ft. Myers, FL**
 - Lee Memorial Hospital- inpatient faculty with family medicine residency program (generally 1 week every 3 months).
 - Family Medicine Center- Connected to the hospital, NHSC site, own diverse patient panel, 2 half days per week
- **International Experience-**
 - 6 months total during year
 - 2 week FSU global health trip (Nicaragua)
 - Prior fellows have gone to Honduras, Egypt, Kenya, Peru, or Papua New Guinea



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ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE



- Fellowship is affiliated with Florida State University
- Access to FSU library and various academic resources
- Precepting residents from Lee Health Family Medicine Residency
 - 2 (half days) per week outpatient FM clinic
 - 1 week every 3 months on FM inpatient service
- Present at weekly academic afternoons on global health, family medicine and population health topics
- Faculty development through FSU and STFM
- Flexible schedule to allow pursuit of own academic interests.

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UNIQUE ASPECTS

- **Clinical**
 - Individually structured to allow fellows to pursue own unique interests within global health
 - 50% of the year is spent internationally
 - Opportunity to rotate at FQHC in Immokalee, FL which serves a large Haitian and migrant farmer population in SW Florida
 - Moonlighting at local primary and urgent care facilities as well as inpatient/hospitalist service
- **Academic**
 - Faculty development (STFM), POCUS using residency program's V-scan ultrasounds, HIV care through PREP clinic and working with local ID specialist.
 - Population Health curriculum
 - Opportunity to present to FSU 3rd year medical students on variety of clinical topics
- **Miscellaneous**
 - Benefits package with Lee Health (dental, vision, health care)
 - \$500 monthly living stipend
 - \$2,000 for CME per year
 - \$5,000 for relocation expenses
 - \$500 reimbursement for electronic device used for educational purposes
 - International travel costs up to \$5,000 per year
 - Taxable \$3,000 per year housing subsidy if rent or purchase housing overseas

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Contacts

- Program/Fellowship Director: Alfred Gitu, MD
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- Former fellow (2017-2018)/current core faculty: Lee Coghill, MD
 - Lee.Coghill@leehealth.org
- Former fellow (2019-2020)/current core faculty: Hailon Wong, MD
 - Hailon.Wong@leehealth.org
- Current fellow: Brad Green, MD
 - Bradley.Green@leehealth.org
- Current fellow: Alice Shallcross, DO
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Contra Costa/UCSF Global Health Fellowship

MISSION STATEMENT-support the development of family medicine and primary care development in under-resourced countries through collaboration, mentorship and clinical education.

Location:

- US: Martinez, CA (Bay Area) or domestic site of your choosing
- International : Malawi, Mexico, Kenya and India

Fellowship length: 1-2 years

Time abroad: 6 months/yr (6 months at 1 site or 3 months at 2 sites).

Domestic work: up to 6 months. Work is scheduled around GH activities.

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Clinical & Teaching Experience: US

Clinical Site:

Contra Costa Regional Medical Center and Clinics

- FQHC
- Hospitalist medicine, emergency medicine, outpatient clinic, or OB (with experience)

Teaching Site:

- Contra Costa Family Medicine Residency Program (affiliated with UCSF)
- Opportunity to precept FM residents on their clinical rotations and lead our Global Health Track that accepts 6 residents a year in a 13/13/13 FMRP.

* fellow can also work domestically at a site of their choice

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Clinical & Teaching Experiences: International

Malawi-

- Department of Family Medicine, Blantyre Malawi.
- Partners in Health, Neno District Hospital and
- Nkhoma District Hospital

Mexico- Partners in Health, Chiapas.

India- Jan Swasthya Sahyog (JSS) Hospital

Kenya- UCSF supported, Aga Khan Family Medicine Residency, Nairobi.

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Uniques aspects

- Basic to Advanced Point of Care Ultrasound Training
- Tropical Medicine Training
- Faculty Development Training
- UCSF Global Health Science Clinical Scholars Program
- UCSF HEAL Initiative Global Health Boot Camp
- Scholarly work opportunities with UCSF Global Health Mentors
- Mentorship by co-directors of fellowship and UCSF Faculty
- Salary/Benefits- per diem, hourly attending level rate, not PGY-4 salary

stipends for health insurance, travel expenses for tropical medicine course, 1- 2 international flights and all above coursework

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Application Process

-Board eligible FM physician or graduating FM resident. Previous global health experience, excellent communication skills, humility and flexibility are desired characteristics. CV, personal statement and 2 letters of rec.

-We accept applications on a rolling basis from Sept 14th to October 19th.



-All applicants receive a telephone interview with a co-director of the fellowship. Select applicants will have an extended interview by residency program director, current or past global health fellows, and select faculty.

-Final notification of accepted applicants will be January 18th.

-Contact: Neil.Jayasekera@cchealth.org or kevinleebergman@gmail.com

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UMass/ Family Health Center of Worcester

Our fellowship seeks to train family physicians to become leaders in global family medicine by training them to be clinicians, advocates, community health scholars and teachers locally and globally through equitable local-global partnerships

Training Sites:
 Domestic: Family Health Center of Worcester, Massachusetts
 International: Liberia, Dominican Republic

Length of Training: 2 years with up to 7 months spent abroad

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Application Requirements:

Must be Board certified or Board eligible Family Medicine residency graduate
 Passion and interest in both global and local GH work is encouraged, specifically around refugee care locally. Must be committed to capacity-building type work globally

To apply, please send

- ❖ your resume,
- ❖ cover letter
- ❖ 3 letters of recommendation (including one from your program director)

to Dr. Olga Valdman, MD at olga.valdman2@umassmed.edu.

Applications accepted August 1 - November 15, 2020
 Interviews will be conducted virtually in November and December, admission is rolling, all decisions finalized by January

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Clinical & Teaching Experiences: US

Family Health Center of Worcester

- FQHC
- Refugee Clinic
- Asylum Care

*Optional inpatient OB care

Teaching opportunities:

- Teach residents in GH track in FM and other specialties
- Work with and teach UMass medical students
 - Refugee Care interest group, Asylum care interest group, DR

*optional, general residency precepting

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Clinical Experiences: International

Liberia

- Serve as junior faculty at brand new Family Medicine residency
- Teach Liberian FM residents and UMass GH learners
- Collaborate on a variety of scholarly activities with residents and faculty from Liberia
- Collaborate with other institutions and programs working in Liberia

Dominican Republic

- Work with several local NGOs supporting migrant worker communities on sugar cane plantations (bateyes)
- Develop and implement programs in partnership with local FM physicians
- Work with UMass medical students and faculty to support ethical GH work

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Unique Aspects

- Extensive training on refugee and asylum care work locally
- Variety of opportunities for teaching and community engagement experiences
- Partner with Family Medicine physicians and trainees globally, conduct GH work on the ground AND remotely
- Opportunity to benefit from FHCW HIV/Viral Hepatitis fellowship and learn to manage own HIV, Hep B and LTBI patients
- Cross-disciplinary GH group at UMass
- Faculty appointment at the UMass Family Medicine department
- Faculty Development training
- Customization of fellowship experience to meet learner's goals

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HEAL Initiative
 Health, Equity, Action & Leadership

HEAL trains and transforms frontline health professionals through building a community **dedicated to serving the underserved** as their life long choice.

- **Fellowship Length:** 2-years
- **Location:** HEAL has 19 partners sites in 10 countries and the US
- **Rotations:** Two 6-month international rotations and two 6-month US-based rotations
- **Training/Curriculum:** Fellows come together for In-person training 3x during the fellowship (total of 4+ weeks in-person training)
- **Cohort Size:** We accept 12-14 US-trained fellows / year to join a cohort of 25 fellows total.

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Application Requirements:

Requirements:

- Strong commitment to social justice and health equity
- US citizen or permanent resident
- Completed or be in the final year of a residency program at an accredited, US-based institution and/or be licensed to practice medicine in the United States
- Specialized in: Internal Medicine, **Family Medicine**, Med-Peds, Pediatrics, Psychiatry, OB/GYN, Anesthesiology, General Surgery
- 1st generation health professionals or underrepresented minorities especially encouraged to apply

Apply Online: www.healinitiative.org

Application Deadlines: September 30th (Priority) and November 1st (Final)

Fellowship Offers: December 1st (for FM applicants)

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Clinical Experiences: US

Navajo Nation: 6 partner hospitals serving Native American patients

Salinas, California:

County hospital in California's Central Coast serving many migrant farm workers (*Spanish recommended)



- Immersive Experience
- Opportunity for Project Work
- Work alongside co-fellows



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Clinical Experiences: International

International Sites for this Cycle:

Mexico, Mali, Liberia, Malawi, Rwanda, Uganda, Nepal



- Immersive Experience
- Opportunity for Projects
- Work alongside co-fellows
- Deeply value-aligned organizations

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HEAL Community of Practice



HEAL Fellows & Alumni

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Unique Aspects

- **Bidirectional:** 1/2 of our fellows come from underserved communities
- **Interprofessional & Interdisciplinary:** fellows range from physicians to nurses to pharmacists and beyond; US fellows from variety of training backgrounds (not just FM)
- **Rotations in the US and abroad:** both rotations are spent in true global health contexts, not in major US cities or academic centers
- **Social Justice and Health Equity Focus:** we don't come with a US-centric research agenda, but focus on solidarity with partners
- **Immersion:** Fellows spend 95% of their time immersed at partner sites
- **Partnered with Health Equity Organizations:** Our organizations are doing innovative work to move the needle toward global health equity
- **Loan Repayment Stipend:** those considered URM or first-gen to college

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Fellowship Objectives

- Attract Physicians desiring to care for Underserved / Vulnerable populations
 - Strengthen competency in Global & Underserved Health
 - Improve ability to provide high quality clinical care
 - Low resource setting & vulnerable populations
- Academic training
 - Leadership, teaching and scholarship skills
 - Achieve a Masters of Public Health
 - POCUS training

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Clinical and Teaching experiences

US

- Clinical care at a community health center (~20 hrs./week)
- Precepting in the Family Medicine clinic
- Teach in the Global Health course

Internationally (up to 3 months)

- Clinical care at a partnership site (Guatemala or Tanzania)
- Precepting trainees at these sites
- Telehealth opportunities
- Develop scholarship project(s)




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Unique aspects of this two year fellowship

- Close relationship with international partner
- Faculty Development
 - Instructor level faculty
 - Teaching and POCUS
- Scholarship opportunities
 - MPH (tuition reimbursement)
- Mentorship

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Application Process

- Completion of ACGME Family Medicine residency
- ABFM board certification
- Ohio State Medical License
- Personal Foundation in Global Health
- Cover Letter, CV, & Letters of recommendation
 - Accepted through November 30
- Contact: Chuck Schubert MD
 - Division Director for Urban Underserved and Global Health
 - schubecj@ucmail.uc.edu

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University of South Carolina 2 year Global Fellowship

- **Clinical Instructor** at UofSC Family Medicine Residency
 - Ambulatory precepting, inpatient rounding, resident/medical student lectures. +/- Maternity care
- **Clinical practice** as rural hospitalist vs emergency department
- **Masters in Public Health** at UofSC
- **Global project** with international partner




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Global Project

- International Project
 - 1 week in Fall 2021 - 3 months Fall 2021
 - 1 week Spring 2022 - 3 months Spring 2022
 - International Partners
 - One World Health <https://oneworldhealth.com/> (Latin America/Uganda)
 - Mbeya Zonal Referral Hospital <https://mzrh.go.tz/> (Tanzania)
 - Hope for Children (CRC Policy Center) & University of Nicosia <https://www.unicospc.org/> <https://www.med.ucf.ac.cy/> (Cyprus)
- Next year's schedule may require modifications due to Covid, of course



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Unique Aspects



- First fellow started in 2012.
- Masters in Public Health with tuition support
- Weekly global health didactics
- Opportunities to attend and present at conferences
- International projects have been pretty cool
- Additional opportunities
 - Point-of-Care Ultrasound
 - Carolina Survivor Clinic (Refugee Health)
 - HIV clinic
 - Bilingual Prenatal Outreach Program / Primary care to immigrants

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Application Requirements:



Application:

- Completion of ACGME Family Medicine Residency
- CV, personal statement, and 3 letters of recommendations
- Application Deadline: Friday, October 16, 2020
- Interviews (Virtual this year): October - December 2020 on select Fridays
- First offers for positions: Friday, December 18, 2020

Contact:

- Program Director: jeff.hall@uscmed.sc.edu
- Program Co-ordinator: karleisa.hosten@uscmed.sc.edu
- Website: <https://residency.palmettohealth.org/fellowships/family-medicine-global-health/program-overview>

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Ascension Via Christi International Fellowship



Summary: Began 2008, # fellows/year = 2 to 4, 36 fellow graduates

Location:

- US: Wichita, KS
- International: (7 partnering sites)
 - Africa: Niger, Kenya, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Rwanda
 - Asia: Bangladesh
 - Central America: Honduras

Fellowship Opportunities:

Fellowship Length: 1 year

Time abroad: 5 months

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Summary of Training



Tropical Medicine & Public Health, 2-months

- Comprehensive certificate-level course through UWV's Trop Med course allows fellows to sit for CTropMed exam.

Wichita-based rotations, 5-months

- General Surgical Trauma, Level-1 trauma center, 1-month
- Burn management on Burn Unit: *Gain experience performing STSG's and management of complicated wounds, 1-month*
- U/S training: head-to-toe - abdominal, gyn, adult/peds ECHO, MSK, OB, 1-month
- Dentistry: *Learn dental blocks and extraction of carried teeth at partnering dental clinic, 1-month*
- Orthopedic Trauma, 2-weeks
- Anesthesia: *Gain experience with spinal and epidural anesthesia, 2-weeks*

Overseas rotation at a partnering mission hospital site, 5 months

- *Carefully chosen and mentored sites, where fellows cover adult medicine, pediatrics, OB (including operative OB), receive some longitudinal general surgery training, and participate in community health outreaches.*

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Unique Opportunities



- Advanced Clinical and Procedurally-based Training
- Tropical Medicine/Public Health Training through ASTMH-approved course with option of *CTropMed* certification
- Our International Fellowship program is "FM-OB" Certified <https://www.abpsus.org/family-medicine-obstetrics>
- Rural 'critical-access hospital' locums coverage (~ 400 hours) provides advanced ED and rural hospital experience
- Mentorship by co-directors of fellowship and VCFMR faculty, all with significant overseas experience

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Application



Applicant Requirements:

- Completion of ACGME Family Medicine Residency and American board certified/eligible
- Previous global health experience, with compassion, teachability, & work ethic
- Up to date on all Life Saving courses including ATLS (for locums coverage)
- Solid OB experience including exposure to operative OB

Process: (applications received year round, interviews August 1-Dec. 15th)

> Apply Online:

https://www.viachristi.org/sites/default/files/2019_IFMF_Application.pdf

Select applicants invited to interview, preferably in person

> **Application Deadlines:** Application and interview prior to December 15th.

Final notification of accepted applicants will be prior to January 1

> **Contact:** samuel.stephens@ascension.org or patrick.allen@ascension.org

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Ventura Global Health Fellowship

Fellows - Two per year

Duration - One year

Time distribution - 6 months domestic and 6 months abroad, up to two locations abroad, 3 month minimum.

Locations -

Ventura California
Africa - Liberia, Ethiopia
Central America - Guatemala

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Training/Curriculum: Designed to cater to fellows unique career goals. Personalized training in elective style format with many resources at VCMC.

Required Didactic - UWV Tropical Medicine, didactic teaching with VCMC residents, lead GH interest group meetings with residents, presentation at AAFP GH Summit.

Clinical Curriculum - Local work in underserved primarily latino urgent care clinic with high density of immigrant field workers. International work is site specific. Work hands-on with a former Ventura graduate living and working full time in the communities they serve.

Contact - Wallace Baker MD - wallace.baker@ventura.org

Website - <https://www.venturafamilymed.org/fellowships/ventura-global-health-fellowship>

Applications Accepted - September 15 - November 15, see website for details.

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