

# INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

## (FOR STUDENTS CONDUCTING RESEARCH ABROAD)

The International Research Scholarship is intended to assist degree-seeking College of Public Health students who plan to conduct at least a portion of their formal research internationally to defray expenses associated with leaving the US to perform their research. Up to \$2500 per student will be awarded on a competitive basis. This program is administered through the College of Public Health International Field Experience Office and the Office of International Programs.

### 1. Eligibility:

- College of Public Health degree-seeking students who will spend a minimum of eight (8) weeks outside of the US conducting research, credits for which will be used for their academic program. Students must be enrolled in Special Project (3hrs), Thesis or Dissertation (two (2) credit hrs min) for at least the minimum number of credit hours required by USF to receive financial aid, and have the consent of their research advisor. **NOTE:** Master's International Peace Corps students are *not* eligible for this scholarship.

### 2. Award:

- Upon submission of the completed application and relevant documents (#3 below) to the International Field Experience Office, up to \$2500 will be awarded on a competitive basis. Funds may be used to cover expenses that are reasonable and that facilitate the student's ability to perform their international research.
- **TO AVOID SURPRISES AND TO ENSURE ELIGIBILITY, STUDENTS APPLYING FOR COPH SCHOLARSHIPS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR CONSULTING WITH THEIR USF FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR BEFORE APPLYING FOR A SCHOLARSHIP. ORDINARILY, THIS SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE AWARDED FOR THE SEMESTER IN WHICH THE TRAVEL WILL TAKE PLACE.**
- Students who conduct research overseas, concurrently with an international field experience will not ordinarily be eligible to receive both scholarships. Recipients of the Research Scholarship will not be eligible to receive a second International Research Scholarship should their international research continue. Students are encouraged to consult with their research advisor for research support and to seek extramural funding for their international research. Receipt of other funding for their research or travel will not ordinarily disqualify them from receiving this International Research Scholarship.

### 3. Research Certifications and other Documents:

In addition to submitting the application form, a detailed budget, copies of appropriate visa(s), passport, and medical and evacuation insurance, students must be able to demonstrate that they are prepared to conduct their research by providing a signed copy of the following signed Research Certifications (listed below) to the COPH International Field Experience Office:

[http://health.usf.edu/publichealth/forms\\_international\\_coursework.html](http://health.usf.edu/publichealth/forms_international_coursework.html)  
<http://health.usf.edu/research/resources.html#forms>

- a. Certification in Human Subjects Training (IRB Training)
- b. Live Vertebrate Training (if applicable)
- c. Biohazard Training (If applicable)
- d. Certifications and/or Approvals from relevant authorities in the host country
- e. Letter from research advisor stating that the student is prepared to go abroad to conduct research and will receive appropriate research supervision.

**5. Upon Return:**

- Students must prepare a written report outlining their activities abroad, and a brief summary of the use of the Scholarship funds to be submitted to their research supervisor with a copy to the International Field Experience Office. Any additional written work as required by the student's research advisor must also be submitted at this time.

**[Please scroll down for application form.]**

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## APPLICATION FORM

Title of Proposal:

International Research Location:

Student Investigator Name (Dr. Ms. Mr.):

USF Student Identification Number:

Semester and Year Started at the COPH (e.g. Fall, 2007):

Department/Concentration (Select one, please): CFH\_\_ EPI/BIO\_\_ EOH\_\_ HPM\_\_ GH \_\_ PHP\_\_

Please indicate your degree program: (MPH, MSPH, PhD, DrPH) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Funds Requested: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please submit a detailed budget.)

Please indicate if you are a financial aid recipient \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

**(Please consult with your Financial Aid Counselor to ensure that you are eligible to receive this Scholarship for the semester in which you will travel)**

Desired Start Date/Date of Departure: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Duration of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Term Enrolled in Special Project/Thesis/Dissertation: \_\_\_\_\_

### REQUIRED RESEARCH CLEARANCES:

Research Clearances are found at: <http://health.usf.edu/research/resources.html#forms>

(a) Education in the Protection of Human Subjects (aka IRB training)  
Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Please provide a copy)

(b) Does this project require IRB Approval? Yes \_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_  
If yes, date application submitted:  
Date application approved:  
Attach a copy of the application/approval

(c) Does this project require an application for animal use? Yes \_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_  
If yes, date application submitted:  
Date application approved:  
Attach a copy of the application/approval

(d) Does this project require a biohazards application? Yes \_\_\_\_ No: \_\_\_\_  
If yes, date application submitted:  
Date application approved:  
Attach a copy of the application/approval.

(e) Research Approval by the appropriate authority in the host country  
Name and address of host country authority:

Date application approved:  
Attach a copy of the application/approval:

**OTHER RELEVANT FORMS FOR INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH:**

Forms are found at: [http://health.usf.edu/publichealth/forms\\_international\\_coursework.html](http://health.usf.edu/publichealth/forms_international_coursework.html)

(f) Copy of passport, applicable visa(s), insurance and all completed and signed forms required by the COPH International Field Experience Office

(g) Attach a summary of the research proposed to the completed application and submit to the International Field Experience Office.

**ENDORSEMENT SIGNATURES:** By signing below, the student, faculty advisor and department chair acknowledge that the applicant has contractual responsibility for individual research and has completed all academic requirements for conducting this special project/thesis/dissertation. The student also agrees to complete a report outlining accomplishments and experiences after return to the US.

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Student Investigator Date

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Faculty Investigator / Sponsor Date

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Department Chair Date

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International Field Experience Coordinator Date

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Dean, College of Public Health Date  
(Required for travel to countries with current Department of State travel warnings)