

**DGH Funding for Fieldwork Application**

**Department of Global Health  
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**Strengthening Care Opportunities through Partnership  
in Ethiopia (SCOPE) Fellowship**

**Deadline: Sunday, December 3, 2017**

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### Application Checklist

Before submitting your application materials, review this checklist to ensure that you've completed all steps. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Be sure to allow plenty of time for your references to write your letters of recommendation to meet deadlines.

#### Application

- Application Cover Sheet
- Cover Letter
- CV or Resume

#### Supporting Documentation:

- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Unofficial Transcript

#### Submission:

- Submit all materials to Kate Pfizenmaier at [kpfiz1@uw.edu](mailto:kpfiz1@uw.edu) by 11:59 pm, December 3, 2017**

Fellowship recipients must meet all program deadlines and program requirements, including attendance at a **MANDATORY pre-departure orientation** in spring 2017 or before departure. A pre-departure orientation is tentatively scheduled on Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> from 10am-5pm. Fellows with earlier departure dates will need to schedule separately.

#### Eligibility criteria:

- Graduate or professional students enrolled in a full-time degree program (in special cases, recent graduates may also be considered)
- Medical residents enrolled in a residency program
- Good academic standing

Please contact Kate Pfizenmaier at [kpfiz1@uw.edu](mailto:kpfiz1@uw.edu) or 206-685-9659 with any questions about eligibility.

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# FELLOWSHIP DESCRIPTION & ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

### Strengthening Care Opportunities through Partnership in Ethiopia (SCOPE) Fellowship

The SCOPE Fellowship Program is a three to six month research opportunity to learn firsthand about fostering interdisciplinary approaches for tackling global health challenges. Fellows will be based in Gondar, Ethiopia, a region that is characterized by its strong religious tradition where 84% of the population belongs to the Ethiopian Orthodox Church (EOC). Gondar is home to over 2,200 churches in the North Gondar Diocese alone that serve as community centers for families in the region. Ethiopia's health system has grown immensely and made great strides in the last two decades but still faces challenges such as a shortage of medical personnel, infrastructure limitations, and poor uptake of primary healthcare services in rural areas. These factors create an opportunity to harness the strengths of both the faith and medical communities in Ethiopia and link them together to improve health outcomes, especially for women and children.

The 2018 SCOPE fellow(s) will build on existing data from the Faith Leaders Advocating for Maternal Empowerment (FLAME) project, a randomized control trial that will test the efficacy of a demand creation intervention to improve uptake of antenatal and delivery services in rural Gondar. Fellows from the University of Washington will be partnered with fellows and staff from the University of Gondar in Ethiopia to analyze formative data, incorporate it into the intervention, and implement a maternal health intervention in rural Gondar. Fellow deliverables may include protocol development, the development of data collection tools, qualitative data analysis, and/or some quantitative analysis.

The SCOPE Fellow will be mentored by Global Health faculty at the University of Washington, faculty at the University of Gondar School of Medicine and Health Sciences, and professionals from the SCOPE Board of Trustees to develop and implement their scope of work (SOW) during the course of the fellowship. All fellows will work with mentors to outline a SOW for their fellowship before departure and will be responsible for completing all deliverables in the specified timeline. Fellows will be supported in submitting relevant works for publication.

The SCOPE fellowship provides up to \$6,000 USD to support selected students. Funds are available for winter quarter 2018 through fall quarter 2018 depending on the availability of the successful applicant and the needs of the SCOPE program. The program will cover airfare and travel medicine expenses (funding caps apply) in addition to a \$1000/month stipend to cover living expenses in Ethiopia.

Desired skills (strengths in one or more of the following desired):

- Coursework in qualitative methods, experience analyzing qualitative data
- Coursework in epi methods and biostatistics, simple quantitative data analysis and data management (experience with Open Data Kit (ODK) a plus)
- Entry level skills in protocol development and study coordination

Applicants will be selected based on the following considerations:

- Technical skills as described above

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- Experience working in resource-limited settings
- Willingness to work closely with an in-country Ethiopian graduate student
- Interest and experience in maternal child health and/or global health
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- Ability to work independently and with a group with diverse outlooks and experiences
- Interest in or experience with partnerships between faith and medical communities

### III. Strengthening Care Opportunities through Partnership in Ethiopia (SCOPE) Fellowship (cont.)

Only complete applications will be reviewed. Application packets must include:

- A complete application cover sheet
- Current curriculum vitae (CV) or resume
- A 1-2 page letter describing interest in the program and the skills, experience, abilities, and perspective the individual believes they will bring to the project
- Two letters of recommendation from individuals who can attest to the professional skills and qualities of the applicant
- An unofficial transcript

Questions can be sent to Kate Pfizenmaier at [kpfiz1@uw.edu](mailto:kpfiz1@uw.edu).

For information about SCOPE, visit [www.scopehealth.org](http://www.scopehealth.org)



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### II. Project/Experience Details

**A. Type of Experience:** (Check the requirement(s) you hope to fulfill with the fellowship)

<input type="checkbox"/> Research *	<input type="checkbox"/> Thesis
<input type="checkbox"/> Practicum	<input type="checkbox"/> Service Learning
<input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Internship
<input type="checkbox"/> Independent Study	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:
<input type="checkbox"/> International Reporting Experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

*\*All students/residents who propose research projects MUST obtain University of Washington and host country IRB approval prior to the start of project or their funding will be withdrawn*

**B. Language Skills:** Identify language and skill level; (Beginner = 1; Intermediate=2; Conversational=3; Native=4 )

Language	Reading	Writing	Speaking

**C. Pre-departure Orientation**

I understand that receipt of one of these DGH Administered Fellowships requires attendance at the mandatory pre-departure orientation session:

Yes

No

If no, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**D. Cover Letter:**

**2 pages maximum**

A one to two-page letter describing interest in the program and the skills, experience, and abilities you will bring to the project.

**E. Attach one copy of your CV or resume and an unofficial transcript (residents can submit a letter or e-mail from their home department documenting that they are in good standing)**

**F. Letters of Recommendation**

Two letters of recommendation from individuals who can attest to the professional skills and qualities of the applicant.