Masters Research Fellowship in International Social Development

Position Description

Dr. Fred Ssewamala is offering two fellowship positions to incoming graduate students at the Brown School with interest in international social development research. The Masters Research Fellows in International Social Development will work on research projects housed within the International Center for Child Health and Development (ICHAD). ICHAD conducts rigorous applied research focused on family-level economic strengthening and empowerment interventions that tackle the interactive effects of poverty, disease, and health-related risk factors for youth. ICHAD also seeks to increase public awareness and support for asset-based social programs, as well as to promote research-driven policy and programming.

The fellows will support a trans-disciplinary research consortium of academic, government, NGO, community and cultural stakeholders in sub-Saharan Africa. Fellows will assist with the day-to-day research activities of the center study(ies), development of center and study progress reports, and other center-related products. To learn more about ICHAD, visit ichad.wustl.edu

Faculty Sponsorship

Fred Ssewamala, PhD
Professor and Founding Director of ICHAD

Skills and Qualifications

Interested applicants should have excellent organizational, communication, and research skills, along with a strong interest in international social development and vulnerable populations in sub-Saharan Africa.

Primary Responsibilities

- Coordinate administrative needs of the center and its research studies (this would include scheduling and preparing meeting agendas and notes)
- Assist with planning and managing center-related events (e.g., conferences, speaker series among others)
- Assist with communications related to research studies
- Assist in preparation of bi-monthly and quarterly newsletters/reports
- Conduct literature reviews and prepare other supporting documents for manuscripts and grant submissions
• Assist in coordination/submission of IRB protocols
• Perform other duties as necessary

Compensation & Benefits
This is a two-year fellowship for $5,000 per year. The fellows are expected to work 20 hours per week during the academic year.

Application Process
Please submit your application to Betsy Abente at eabente@wustl.edu. Upload the following required materials with the application:
  • Current resume or curriculum vitae
  • Statement of interest (specific to this fellowship opportunity, 1 – 2 pages maximum)

Application Timeline
Applications are due no later than March 1, 2020.