GHP | Global Health Program

**Global Health Equity Pathway Application**

The Global Health Equity Pathway aims to prepare medical students to advance health equity locally and globally by providing them with knowledge, skills, and structural competency in global health.

The [Pathway](https://worldhealth.med.ucla.edu/pages/global_health_pathway) represents a longitudinal commitment to incorporating global health activities throughout medical school. We rely heavily on experiential learning through one or more long-term, bilateral partnerships in Los Angeles, Africa, Latin America, and Asia.

**Students graduating from the Global Health Equity Pathway will be able to:**

Demonstrate knowledge of the epidemiology and global burden of disease in the context of historical, social, political, economic, and environmental forces.

Identify structural and social determinants of health, describe how they influence health and disease, and articulate strategies to improve health equity at the individual, community, and societal level.

* Describe the architecture of global health, compare and contrast health systems in different contexts, and critically evaluate how global actors-- multinational agencies, NGOs, and local government—shape health systems, policies, and the delivery of health care.
* Develop skills for addressing health inequity and improving health outcomes using advocacy, research, and/or public health approaches.
* Employ critical self-reflection in the practice of medicine and demonstrate humility and structural competency in order to collaborate and work effectively with diverse individuals and communities.

**Pathway students are required to complete the following:**

* A scholarly global health equity project (e.g., research, advocacy, public health programming)
* Attendance at a minimum of three Work-in-Progress Meetings (WIPs), while presenting project progress at one of these meetings
* Participation in at least two of four additional global health equity activities at DGSOM, which include:
  + Global Health Equity Selective
  + Global health leadership role at DGSOM (i.e. selective leader, LAGHC, Case Competition)
  + Global Short-Term Training Program (GSTTP)
  + MS4 clinical rotation at a partner site

**Application instructions and deadline:**

**Applications to the Pathway are due August 2, 2021 (immediately following the first week of MS2).**

**To apply for the Global Health Equity Pathway, please email your CV and complete responses to the questions below to Dr. Traci Wells (**[**TWells@mednet.ucla.edu**](mailto:TWells@mednet.ucla.edu)**) and Ms. Vijeta Vaswani (**[**VVaswani@mednet.ucla.edu**](mailto:VVaswani@mednet.ucla.edu)**).**

**Basic Information:**

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|  | Black or African American | |
|  | Native American | |
|  | Asian | |
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| Are you in any joint degree programs? | | |
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| What other Global Health Program activities have you participated in to date? | | |
|  | Global Health Equity Selective | |
|  | GSTTP | |
|  | Case Competition (Leadership) | |
|  | Case Competition (not Leadership) | |
|  | Leadership in Global Health Interest Group | |
|  | Other (specify): |  |

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| Please rank your level of proficiency in the following languages: | | | | | | |
|  | | None | Beginner | Conversational | Fluent | Native Speaker |
| Spanish | |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Mandarin | |  |  |  |  |  |
| Thai | |  |  |  |  |  |
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**Please answer the following essay questions. Responses should be approximately ½ page for each question.**

1. Why are you interested in the Global Health Equity Pathway? Please describe an experience from your past that has informed your interest in pursuing global health training during medical school.

Please add your response

1. What are your long-term goals in medicine, and how will participation in the Global Health Equity Pathway help you achieve these goals?

Please add your response

**Please answer the following short-response questions (maximum of one additional page).**

1. Have you identified a scholarly project that you would like to complete as part of the Global Equity Health Pathway? If yes, please provide a brief description of the project. If not, which area(s) of global health interest you? Areas may include, but are not limited to: infectious diseases, non-infectious diseases, gender and health, maternal/child health, community health, and immigrant/refugee health.

Please add your response

1. Do you currently have a primary faculty research mentor (or mentors) in global health (or “local-global” health) at UCLA? If yes, who? Please provide their full name(s) and title(s).

Please add your response

1. Are you interested in any additional opportunities/training (e.g., MPH or other degree program, research fellowship during an additional year, training grant) to prepare you for a global health career before starting residency? If yes, please describe.

Please add your response

1. Is there anything else you would like us to be aware of as part of your application?

Please add your response

Thank you for applying to the Global Health Equity Pathway! **As a reminder, please email your CV and complete responses to the questions below to Dr. Traci Wells (**[**TWells@mednet.ucla.edu**](mailto:TWells@mednet.ucla.edu)**) and Ms. Vijeta Vaswani (**[**VVaswani@mednet.ucla.edu**](mailto:VVaswani@mednet.ucla.edu)**).** You can expect to hear back regarding Pathway acceptance and next steps within two weeks after applying.

**Please reach out to Dr. Dovel (**[**KDovel@mednet.ucla.edu**](mailto:KDovel@mednet.ucla.edu)**) or Dr. Wells (**[**TWells@mednet.ucla.edu**](mailto:TWells@mednet.ucla.edu)**) with any additional questions.**