Undergraduate Global Health Equity Research Fellowship Program

Collaborative Initiative between the Health Equity Interdisciplinary Development Initiative and the Centre for Research on Health Equity and Social Inclusion

Overview

The Undergraduate Global Health Equity Research Fellowship Program is a program aimed at building the capacity, knowledge and interest of undergraduate students at Western University in health equity research, with a local or global focus, or both. Six fellowship positions are available, valued at $1200 each. Each fellowship will focus on one of the following themes: racism and health; gender-based violence/trauma- and violence-informed care (TVIC); disabilities and equity; newcomer issues/challenges; homelessness and housing security; and, Two-Spirit and Indigenous LGBTQ+ health.

The program will run between May 3-August 27, 2021.

Responsibilities

Fellows will:

- Engage in activities for 90 hours, between May and August (avg 7.5 hrs/wk for 12 wks)
- Attend regular check-ins with their co-mentors (minimum once a month)
- Write a brief report (2 pages maximum) to submit by August 31, 2021
- Participate in an experience-sharing event in September 2021

Application process

- Faculty and community partners are invited to identify up to one opportunity for an undergraduate global health equity research student fellowship. As defined here, research includes formal research and other types of knowledge translation and creative activities.
- This is an academic/community co-mentor opportunity: all applications must include one academic and one community mentor for the proposed fellowship.
- Areas of interest include racism and health; gender-based violence/TVIC; newcomer issues/challenges; homelessness and housing security; and, Two-Spirit and Indigenous LGBTQ+ health
- Interested faculty and community partners can complete an application, including the following information, at https://uwo.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3KH47tcFQJ8IT8W
  - community partner
  - faculty mentor
  - 250 word description of the opportunity, including keywords
  - Anticipated benefits to the student of this experience

Process and Criteria for Decisions

- Alignment of proposed project with Fellowship priority areas
- Feasibility of proposed project
- Perceived long- and short-term benefits to the student
- Adjudication Committee will be comprised of the HEIDI (London) co-leads (H. Berman, N. Wathen, E. Nouvet) in consultation with CRHESI Community Director (H. Lokko)

Timelines

- Application deadline: April 6, 2021
- Notification of decisions: April 16, 2021