**SPH Kenya Program 2021**

Up to five students may be selected to participate in a field experience during the summer of 2021 in Kisumu, Kenya. Students must first apply to the SPH Kenya Program. Field experiences will be tailored to organizational needs and student qualifications following the applicant selection process. Organizations have expressed need for program planning, evaluation, reporting, fundraising, data analysis, and community outreach. (Please contact Alyson Lofthouse at Alofth2@uic.edu for a list of sample organizations and projects.)

Students will be placed in family home stays for the duration of their time in Kenya. The home stay includes room, breakfast and dinner. As culture in Kisumu operates differently to that which we experience here, it is imperative the applicant is flexible and willing to live under hardship conditions (e.g., outdoor latrines, cold water only).

**Eligibility Requirements**
The applicant must:
- Be able to commit to 9-10 weeks of stay in Kisumu (dates TBD),
- Have completed 18SH of the MPH or MS curriculum by the date of travel,
- Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better (4.0 scale),
- Should s/he be selected:
  - Abide by the host organization’s policies and procedures,
  - Commit to making a meaningful contribution to the host organization,
  - Act in an ambassadorial manner throughout the experience,
  - Commit to completing a post experience report within two weeks of return,
  - Purchase emergency evacuation insurance for travel,
  - Attend the SPH Annual Research and Awards Day in April 2021,
  - Prepare and present a poster on the experience at the annual SPH Global Health Poster Competition within Research and Awards Day in April 2022.
- **Preference is given to applicants enrolled in the Global Health Concentration.*

*This field experience may be used as an applied practice experience, subject to approval by students’ academic and divisional applied practice experience advisor.

**Application**
The applicant must submit:
- Application Form
- Updated resume/CV
- A brief statement of intent (no more than two double-spaced pages) identifying why you would like to participate in the Kenya field experience and qualifications you will bring. Please briefly mention any prior international experience or language capabilities. Please also mention any organization with which you hope to work.
- A copy of the applicant’s UIC unofficial transcript (available from my.uic.edu).

**APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT ONE PDF THAT INCLUDES ALL APPLICATION DOCUMENTS**
Timeline
- Applications are due in March, 2021 (date TBD)
- Selected applicants will be notified late March.
- Letter of Commitment is due TBD

Process
- Student indicates intent by submitting application.
- Students are expected to inform advisor of intent.
- Applicants are notified of selection outcome.
- Matching of student and organization occurs during the spring term. Student, applied practice experience advisor, SPH Global Health Program, and host organization build learning objectives for experience.

Budget
Students are required to cover the costs of transportation and in-country incidentals. Below is an approximate budget. Students may wish to travel within Kenya or to other sites in Africa apart from any SPH planned educational trips. Any such activities will be additional and should be budgeted for.

The family home stays are kindly subsidized by the Global Health Program. As such, students selected for the 2021 Kenya Program are not allowed to receive funding through the MPH/MS Scholarship, Slotten Scholarship, Farley Scholarship, Paul Brandt-Rauf Scholarship, or the Passaro Global Horizons Scholarship. Applicants to this program are also welcome to apply for those other scholarships but will have to choose which opportunity to accept should they be accepted by more than one.

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**TOTAL ESTIMATED COSTS** | **$2,520**

*Students will be assessed tuition on semester hours in which they register. Costs do not reflect tuition*

**Please submit applications and direct questions to:**
Alyson Lofthouse, MUPP
Senior Associate Director, Global Health Program
312-996-0054
alofth2@uic.edu
SPH Kenya Program
Summer 2021 Application Form

Applicant Information:
Name: Last                   First
UIN#                       UIC E-Mail Address       Alternative Email Address
Telephone

UIC School of Public Health Information:
Current degree program: MS □ MPH □ PhD □ Academic Division
□ □
Date matriculated: Semester Year
Expected graduation date: Semester Year

Academic Advisor:
Name                         Email
Campus Tel.

Field Experience Advisor:
Name                         Email
Campus Tel.

By my signature below, I authorize release of my name, transcripts, and the additional contents of
the application with the University of Illinois at Chicago and SPH Global Health Committee.

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Applicant Signature                        Date