



TAKEMI PROGRAM IN INTERNATIONAL HEALTH

Dear Applicant,

In response to your request, we are pleased to send you information about the Takemi Program in International Health at the Harvard School of Public Health.

Applicants for Takemi Fellowships are highly qualified young and mid-career professionals and scholars from around the world who have completed graduate degrees and have had some years of experience. We are seeking persons who can contribute to strengthening the health capabilities and improving the health policy of developing countries, and who have demonstrated strong leadership potential in their home countries. They are expected to have made, or to intend to make, a commitment to a career in health for which participation in the Program will be of significant value.

To qualify for fellowship consideration, applicants must complete the attached information sheet and submit it along with curriculum vitae, a list of publications, a sample publication, and a five-page proposal for research and writing to be undertaken during the 10-month fellowship. Research topics generally relate to issues of policy and resource allocation for health. If the project involves data analysis, please indicate the source of data and the method of collection. All data must be collected prior to initiation of the fellowship. Please note that the fellowship is intended for research and training in residence at the Harvard School of Public Health, and is not designed for research projects with biomedical laboratory requirements.

Applicants are requested to have three letters of reference mailed under separate cover to the address listed on the brochure. Completed applications and letters of reference must be received by **15 March 2012** for the **2012-2013 academic year**.

Fellows are selected by the Harvard Committee for the Takemi Program. Top-ranking candidates for Takemi Fellowships are reviewed and evaluated to assess the following: the applicant's education, experience, and ability to do research; the quality of the research proposal; Harvard's capacity to advise; and the contribution the applicant can make toward accomplishing the objectives of the Takemi Program.

Please note that the Takemi Program does not provide funding. Each applicant must make sure that a letter is sent to the Takemi Program from the organization(s) which has agreed to furnish financial support if the applicant is selected as a Takemi Fellow. This letter should indicate the specific amount of funding and should be received by the **1 March** application deadline. If, for any reason, the source of funding becomes unavailable, the Takemi Program reserves the right to withdraw its offer of a fellowship.

Applying for a Takemi Fellowship does not necessarily result in acceptance as a Takemi Fellow. All applicants must compete for the few spaces that are available. The Program receives about 50 requests for application information, and about 30-50 completed applications each year, from which about ten Takemi Fellows are selected.

Thank you for your interest in the Takemi Fellowships. I hope the enclosed information is helpful. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely yours,

Michael R. Reich

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APPLICATION INFORMATION
2012-2013

(Please Print or Type)

Name in Full:

(Ms./Mr/Dr.)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Date of Birth:

Citizenship:

(Day/Month/Year- for example: 24, September, 1962)

*Please indicate where you would like correspondence to be sent: **Home:** **Office***

Home Address:

Office Address:

Country:

Country:

Telephone:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

Title of Proposal:

How did you hear about the Takemi Program?

Education: *(Please fill out completely even if you have enclosed your C.V.; list the most recent first)*
Degree Discipline Institution Dates

Professional Experience *(Please fill out completely even if you have enclosed your C.V.; list the most recent first)*
Position Institution Dates

References: *Please list the name, title and Institution of three people you will ask to serve as referees. Please ask your referee to send the letter of reference directly to the Takemi Program.*

Potential Source of Funds: *Please list the name and contact person of any organization to which you have applied or intend to apply for funding.*

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**Please return this form with completed application materials to : alevin@hsph.harvard.edu
Materials can also be mailed to: The Takemi Program in International Health, Harvard School of Public Health, 665 Huntington Avenue, Bldg. 1-Suite 1210, Boston, Massachusetts, 02115, U.S.A., (or Faxed to: 617-432-1251) Attention: Program Coordinator.**

Takemi Program Estimated Costs: 2012-2013 Academic Year

Estimated living expenses: \$33,500

Takemi Fellows enter the United States as Research Fellows/Scholars on a J1 Visa. The U.S. Government and Harvard require documentation of funding at the NIH mandated rate of US\$40,188 per year for J1 visiting scholar visa holders. The above amount is based on a 10 month appointment (**September 1, 2012-June 30, 2013**) for one Fellow (plus their spouse if they are bringing a spouse). Additional funding is required if a Fellow brings children, at the rate of US\$4,667 per child for 10 months (based on US\$5,000 per year.) Please note that additional funds may be needed to adequately cover living expenses in Boston.

Program research and administrative fees: \$ 10,000

These fees include support for office, supplies, phone, computers, research accounts, and other expenses. *This fee will be waived if applicant is self-supporting or if only limited funds are available from sponsors.*

International travel (estimate) \$ 4,400

Estimated round-trip airfare from home country to the United States.

Health Insurance (estimate): \$ 7,100

Basic coverage is required. If you will have health insurance from home for the duration of the fellowship, please confirm that your current health care coverage meets the the health care coverage requirements for J visa holders. If you need to purchase health insurance through Harvard, the cost will be approximately \$7,100 for the duration of your Fellowship. If you plan to bring family members, the cost will increase significantly.

Total: \$ 55,000

Since its inception in 1983, 219 Takemi Fellows from nearly 49 countries around the world have participated in the program. While at Harvard, Fellows have the opportunity to interact extensively with students, faculty and other professionals, which in some cases has led to funded collaborative research projects.

The growing world-wide network of Takemi Fellows provides opportunities for ongoing discussion of research and current health policy issues.

"It is a rare program with worthy objectives, and I am even more enthusiastic about it now, ten years later. I think the Takemi Program fills a critical gap in the process of assisting professionals who are in a mid-career transition. It provides an environment that nourishes Fellows' creativity and assists them in applying their skills to new and fruitful areas." Jonathan Meyers (TF 1987-88, South Africa), Professor, Department of Community Health, University of Cape Town, South Africa.

A complete application consists of the following:

- application information sheet
- curriculum vitae
- list of publications
- short publication sample
- proposal of research and writing to be undertaken during the Fellowship

The application deadline for the 2012-2013 year is **March 15** please send application materials to:

Program Coordinator

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Harvard University does not discriminate among applicants on the basis of race, religion, sex, national origin, color, handicap, or age.