

Harvard China Health Partnership Research Awards

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DEADLINE: April 15, 2020, 5pm

Objective

The primary objective of the Harvard China Health Partnership (HCHP) Research Awards is to provide financial support for full-time Harvard students and post-doctoral fellows to conduct research on public health issues in China, with a priority on health systems or health policy issues related to China. Awards of up to \$3,000 will be given, depending on whether field travel is required. This Award is supported by the William C. Hsiao Research and Education Fund. Applicants will be informed of decisions by May 1, 2020, and awards may last up to one year. Funding will be available in approximately one month.

COVID-19 Implications

Any applications will need to follow the latest travel policies of Harvard University, including travel restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic (see <https://www.harvard.edu/coronavirus> and scroll down to “Travel”). The research proposal should be realistic about the feasibility of travel, given that international travel would need to be August 2020 or later. Applicants are recommended to consider alternative methodologies and to have contingency plans in case any proposed travel component is not able to be completed.

Eligibility

- Applicants must be full-time master or doctoral students or post-doctoral fellows at any of the Harvard graduate schools.
- The proposed research must be about public health in China, with a priority given to health systems or health policy issues in China.
- Inter-disciplinary research that involves more than one school or one department within a school is highly encouraged.
- Undergraduates can also apply if the proposed research is joint with a faculty member.

Application Requirements (see detailed requirements on next page)

- a) Research proposal
- b) CV
- c) Detailed budget and budget justification
- d) Letter of recommendation from professor mentor/advisor (must be **sent directly from mentor/advisor**)

For ease of reading, materials should be presented in 12 point, single-spaced Times or Arial font with one-inch margins. The applicant should send all materials as one single PDF file (with the exception of the letter of recommendation, which should be sent directly by the faculty member). All materials should be submitted to by email to Elizabeth Osborn, Project Director of Harvard China Health Partnership, via eosborn@hsph.harvard.edu by the deadline.

Evaluation Criteria

Selection will be based on the following criteria:

- Significance of the proposed study in advancing understanding of major public health issues in China, with priority given to health policy and health system in China
- Strength of the research design

- Feasibility of the proposed work
- Inter-disciplinary studies are encouraged

Reporting Requirements

Grantees must submit a brief, interim (less than two page) progress report and presentation mid-way through the grant period as well as a final closeout report. Guidelines for each report will be distributed after award is granted.

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Application Form

Name	
Degree and Program	
Department and School	
Anticipated graduation date	
Email Address	
Telephone	
Address	

Your application should include the following attachments:

a) Research Proposal (*Five page maximum*)

- Explain how the topic of the proposed research advances understanding of major public health issues in China, is relevant to policy making in China, and whether there are implications for global learning from policy experience in China.
- Include the project background and rationale, research design (methods, procedure, and analysis plan), timeframe, travel, and other important aspects of the project.
- If the research is part of a dissertation, SYPA, or similar capstone research project at your home School, please clarify the status and timeline of academic approvals of the research project.

b) Academic CV (*Two page maximum*)

c) Detailed Budget and Budget Justification: The award must be used to support expenses that are directly related to the dissertation research, and not for general living expenses. All expenses must be detailed and a rationale for each expense should be provided. *Two page maximum.*

d) Letter of recommendation from professor mentor/advisor: Your mentor/advisor should email this letter of recommendation directly to Elizabeth Osborn, Project Director of Harvard China Health Partnership, via eosborn@hsph.harvard.edu by the deadline. *Two page maximum.*

My signature on this form indicates that I meet all eligibility requirements for this award and that my application is complete

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please contact Elizabeth Osborn (eosborn@hsph.harvard.edu) with questions.