

## *Call for Applications*

# HIV Implementation Science PhD Research Fellowship

The **Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health (Harvard Chan)**, in partnership with **Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS)** and the **Africa Academy for Public Health (AAPH)**, offers a limited number of Ph.D. research training fellowships at Harvard Chan to Tanzanian public health researchers, physician-scientists, and other health professionals.

Supported by the Fogarty International Center at the U.S. National Institutes of Health (NIH), the **HIV Implementation Science (HIS) Research Training Program** aims to develop a cadre of public health researchers in Tanzania prepared to lead research and scientific projects in implementation science, impact evaluation, and health system research for HIV interventions. This year the Program will be supporting one (01) PhD Fellow.

### **Ph.D. Fellowship Requirements and Description**

Applicants to the Ph.D. Fellowship must be *currently* enrolled in a Ph.D. program in Tanzania or outside the country. The program does not support tuition or registration costs. The selected Fellow will be offered a 1-year visiting position with training opportunities at Harvard Chan in Boston, Massachusetts, United States, and at Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences. Approximately, 4 months will be spent in Boston. Through focused mentorship and coursework, the trainee will be supported to develop skills in methodological and substantive aspects of HIV Implementation Science. Further, the trainee will complete coursework as a non-degree student at Harvard Chan and work with faculty mentors from Harvard and MUHAS to advance his/her Ph.D. Dissertation research. Upon completion of training in Boston, he/she will be required to return to Tanzania to further his/her research in this area.

### **Package**

A limited number of awards will be made to provide the accepted trainee with:

- Roundtrip economy class airfare between Tanzania and Boston (depending on current Harvard and US travel policies)
- Tuition for 5.0 or more credits of coursework and coverage of registration costs
- Basic health insurance for the duration of the program
- A stipend of \$2,900 per month, less applicable taxes, to cover lodging, food, transportation, books, and other living expenses
- Research Funding support to a maximum of \$10,000 for their PhD Dissertation research

### **Application Process**

To apply for the HIS PhD Fellowship, please send the following documents to **Elizabeth Fine** at [efine@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:efine@hsph.harvard.edu) and copy to **Dr. Chris Sudfeld** at [csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu), and to **Prof Muhammad Bakari** at [drbakari@yahoo.com](mailto:drbakari@yahoo.com).

1. One-page statement of interest describing your previous research experience in HIV implementation science, research interests, and how this opportunity will contribute to your research career
2. Curriculum vitae (CV)
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. A description of the research question and existing datasets you would be interested in analyzing and writing a manuscript
5. A list of the types of courses you may be interested to take at Harvard Chan (for example, Biostats/Epidemiology, HIV, Ethics, Econometrics, health systems, etc.)

**Please submit the above materials by January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025.**

Decisions for the fellowship program will be made by a Selection Committee, and applicants will be notified of their decision directly.