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MUHIMBILI UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH AND ALLIED SCIENCES EMERGES AS 2024 CARNEGIE HOST INSTITUTION FOR THE CARNEGIE AFRICAN DIASPORA FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME (CADFP).

## Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program to Support Projects in Africa

Dar es Salaam, June 25, 2024 – Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS) was selected by the <u>Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program</u> (CADFP) to host an African Diaspora scholar from the School of Pharmacy, University of Waterloo to work on a collaborative research and curriculum development project on *Medication Reconciliation*. Prof. Eliangiringa Kaale from the School of Pharmacy at MUHAS will lead this Project, hosting Dr. Festo Damian from the School of Pharmacy, University of Waterloo, Canada.

This project aims to support pharmacists with patient-centered skills and knowledge in Medication Reconciliation (MedRec), to develop structured training for pharmacy students, and to apply the acquired MedRec skills by the training attendees to engage patients in a Cardiac Unit at Jakaya Kikwete Cardiac Institute and Muhimbili National Hospital. Well-trained pharmacy students in MedRec will result in competent graduates in medication review who will be able to work together and collaborate with physicians. Likewise, the exposure of the host country scholars, pharmacists, and pharmacy students to the Canadian model of providing healthcare is expected to contribute in improving the best practices of the local pharmacists in patient care provision and improve health care delivery in Tanzania. Overall, the goal is to empower local healthcare providers and build global knowledge-sharing. This would assist in transforming the trainees and young professionals in implementing what is learned into practice and improvement of patient care and outcomes. More so, the trainees will develop confidence in collaborating and working with other health professionals such as physicians, nurses, and clinicians.

The MUHAS project is one of 60 projects that will pair African Diaspora scholars with higher education institutions and collaborators in Africa to work together on curriculum co-development, collaborative research, graduate training and mentoring activities in the coming months. The Winter 2024 application cycle for the CADFP was very competitive with over 240 project request submitted.

The Carnegie African Diaspora Fellowship Program, now in its tenth year, is designed to strengthen capacity at the host institutions and develop long-term, mutually-beneficial collaborations between universities in Africa and the United States and Canada. The program is funded by <u>Carnegie Corporation of New York</u> and managed by the <u>Institute of International Education (IIE)</u> in collaboration with the <u>Association of African Universities (AAU)</u>. Nearly 650 African Diaspora Fellowships have now been supported as scholars to travel to Africa since the program's inception in 2013.

Fellowships match host Universities with African-born scholars and cover the expenses for project visits of between 14 and 90 days, including transportation, a daily stipend, and the costs for obtaining visas and health insurance.

Please direct all questions related to the application process to AfricanDiaspora@iie.org.

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