

Call for Applications

HIV Implementation Science Postdoctoral 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 Postdoctoral 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 two (02) Postdoctoral Fellows.

Postdoctoral Fellowship Requirements and Description

Applicants for the Postdoctoral Fellowship must hold a doctoral degree (PhD, MD, etc.) and have access to an existing dataset to analyze during their fellowship. Selected Fellows will be offered a 2-year Postdoctoral Fellowship with training opportunities at Harvard Chan in Boston, Massachusetts, United States, and at Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences. Approximately one (01) year will be spent training in Boston and one (01) year will be spent in Tanzania. Through focused mentorship and coursework, Fellows will be supported to develop skills in methodological and substantive aspects of HIV Implementation Science. Postdoctoral Fellows will complete coursework as non-degree students at Harvard Chan and work with faculty mentors from Harvard, MUHAS and other credible institutions to advance their research. Upon completion of training in Boston, they are required to return to Tanzania to further their research in this area. During their fellowship, Postdoctoral Fellows will analyze an existing dataset as well as conduct a new research project where they serve as the lead investigator. Fellows are expected to publish at least two (02) manuscripts in peer reviewed journals based on this work.

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 credits of non-degree coursework and coverage of registration costs at Harvard Chan
- Basic health insurance for the duration of the program
- A stipend of \$2,900 per month to cover lodging, food, transportation, books, and other living expenses
- Research Funding support to a maximum of \$10,000

Application Process

To apply for the HIS Postdoctoral Fellowship, please send the following documents to **Elizabeth Fine** at efine@hsph.harvard.edu and copy to **Dr. Chris Sudfeld** at csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu, and to **Prof Muhammad Bakari** at 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. Description of the research ~~project you will conduct~~question and a description of the existing dataset(s) 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, Biostatistics/Epidemiology, HIV, Ethics, Econometrics, health systems, etc.).

Please submit the above materials by January 22nd, 2025.

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