

## *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 Science (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.

#### **Requirements and Description**

- Ph.D. Fellows must be Tanzanians *currently* enrolled in a Ph.D. program in Tanzania or outside the country.
- The program does not support tuition or registration costs.
- The selected Ph.D. fellows are offered a 1-year visiting position, beginning 2023 with training opportunities at Harvard Chan in Boston, Massachusetts, United States, and at MUHAS in Tanzania, while pursuing their PhD training program. Approximately, 4 months will be spent in Boston.
- Through focused mentorship and coursework, trainees are supported to develop skills in methodological and substantive aspects of HIV Implementation Science.
- Ph.D. trainees will complete coursework as non-degree students at Harvard Chan and work with faculty mentors from Harvard and MUHAS to advance their Ph.D. Dissertation research.
- Upon completion of training in Boston, they are required to return to Tanzania to further their research in this area.

#### **Package**

A limited number of awards will be made to provide accepted trainees 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 while in the US
- A stipend of \$2,900 per month, less applicable taxes, to cover lodging, food, transportation, books, and other living expenses while in the US
- An opportunity to apply for up to \$10,000 in Research Funding for their PhD Dissertation research

#### **Application Process**

To apply for the HIS fellowship, please send the following documents to **Chris Sudfeld** at [csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu](mailto:csudfeld@hsph.harvard.edu), and copy 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 if any, 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)
6. The deadline for sending in the application is 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022
7. Decisions for the fellowship program will be made by a selection committee, and applicants will be notified of the decision directly.