



TAKEMI PROGRAM IN INTERNATIONAL HEALTH

Dear Applicant,

In response to your request, we are pleased to send you information about the Takemi Program in International Health at the Harvard School of Public Health.

Applicants for Takemi Fellowships are highly qualified young and mid-career professionals and scholars from around the world who have completed graduate degrees and have had some years of experience. We are seeking persons who can contribute to strengthening the health capabilities and improving the health policy of developing countries, and who have demonstrated strong leadership potential in their home countries. They are expected to have made, or to intend to make, a commitment to a career in health for which participation in the Program will be of significant value.

To qualify for fellowship consideration, applicants must complete the attached information sheet and submit it along with curriculum vitae, a list of publications, a sample publication, and a five-page proposal for research and writing to be undertaken during the **11-month Fellowship (August 1, 2015-June 30, 2016)**. Research topics generally relate to issues of policy and resource allocation for health. If the project involves data analysis, please indicate the source of data and the method of collection. All data must be collected prior to initiation of the fellowship. Please note that the fellowship is intended for research and training in residence at the Harvard School of Public Health, and is not designed for research projects with biomedical laboratory requirements.

Applicants are requested to have three letters of reference mailed under separate cover to the address listed on the brochure. Completed applications and letters of reference must be received by **1 March 2015** for the **2015-2016 academic year**.

Fellows are selected by the Harvard Committee for the Takemi Program. Top-ranking candidates for Takemi Fellowships are reviewed and evaluated to assess the following: the applicant's education, experience, and ability to do research; the quality of the research proposal; Harvard's capacity to advise; and the contribution the applicant can make toward accomplishing the objectives of the Takemi Program.

Please note that the Takemi Program does not provide funding. Each applicant must make sure that a letter is sent to the Takemi Program from the organization(s) which has agreed to furnish financial support if the applicant is selected as a Takemi Fellow. This letter should indicate the specific amount of funding and should be received by the **1 March** application deadline. If, for any reason, the source of funding becomes unavailable, the Takemi Program reserves the right to withdraw its offer of a fellowship.

Applying for a Takemi Fellowship does not necessarily result in acceptance as a Takemi Fellow. All applicants must compete for the few spaces that are available. The Program receives about 50 requests for application information, and about 30-50 completed applications each year, from which about ten Takemi Fellows are selected.

Thank you for your interest in the Takemi Fellowships. I hope the enclosed information is helpful. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

Sincerely yours,

Michael R. Reich

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APPLICATION INFORMATION
2015-2016
(August 1, 2015-June 30, 2016)

(Please Print or Type)

Name in Full:

(Ms./Mr/Dr.)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Date of Birth:

(for example, 24, September, 1962)

Citizenship:

*Please indicate where you would like correspondence to be sent: **Home:** **Office***

Home Address:

Office Address:

Country:

Country:

Telephone:

Telephone:

Fax:

Email:

Title of Proposal:

How did you hear about the Takemi Program?

Education: *(Please fill out completely even if you have enclosed your C.V.; list the most recent first)*
Degree Discipline Institution Dates

Professional Experience *(Please fill out completely even if you have enclosed your C.V.; list the most recent first)*
Position Institution Dates

References: *Please list the name, title and Institution of three people you will ask to serve as referees. Please ask your referee to send the letter of reference directly to the Takemi Program.*

Potential Source of Funds: *Please list the name and contact person of any organization to which you have applied or intend to apply for funding. Please indicate whether or not this funding has been secured (and the amount of funding).*

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Please return this form with completed application materials to : alevin@hsph.harvard.edu
Materials can also be mailed to: The Takemi Program in International Health, Harvard School of Public Health, 665 Huntington Avenue, Bldg. 1-Suite 1210, Boston, Massachusetts, 02115, U.S.A., (or Faxed to: 617-432-1251) Attention: Program Coordinator.

Takemi Program Estimated Costs: 2015-2016 Academic Year

Estimated living expenses: **\$38,500**

Takemi Fellows enter the United States as Research Fellows/Scholars on a J1 Visa. The U.S. Government and Harvard require documentation of funding at the NIH mandated rate of US\$42,000 per year for J1 visiting scholar visa holders. The above amount is based on an 11 month appointment (**August 1, 2015-June 30, 2016**) for one Fellow (and includes your spouse and children if they will accompany you).

International travel (estimate) **\$ 3,350**

Estimated round-trip airfare to/from your home country to the United States.

Health Insurance (estimate): **\$ 8,150**

Basic coverage is required. If you will have health insurance from home for the duration of the fellowship, please confirm that your current health care coverage meets the health care coverage requirements for [J visa holders](#). If you are eligible and would like [to purchase health insurance through Harvard](#), the cost will be approximately \$8,000 for the duration of your Fellowship. If you plan to bring family members, the cost will increase significantly.

** Please note that health insurance and other benefits are not included when Takemi Fellows receive stipends through Harvard for the JMA and Ford Foundation funded Fellowships.*

Total: **\$ 50,000**

Since its inception in 1983, 251 Takemi Fellows from 53 countries around the world have been selected to participate in the program. While at Harvard, Fellows have the opportunity to interact extensively with students, faculty and other professionals, which in some cases has led to funded collaborative research projects.

The growing world-wide network of Takemi Fellows provides opportunities for ongoing discussion of research and current health policy issues.

"It is a rare program with worthy objectives, and I am even more enthusiastic about it now, ten years later. I think the Takemi Program fills a critical gap in the process of assisting professionals who are in a mid-career transition. It provides an environment that nourishes Fellows' creativity and assists them in applying their skills to new and fruitful areas." Jonathan Meyers (TF 1987-88, South Africa), Professor, Department of Community Health, University of Cape Town, South Africa.

A complete application consists of the following:

- application information sheet
- curriculum vitae
- list of publications
- short publication sample
- proposal of research and writing to be undertaken during the Fellowship

The application deadline for the 2015-2016 year is **March 1, 2015** please send application materials to:

Program Coordinator

Takemi Program in International Health

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Harvard University does not discriminate among applicants on the basis of race, religion, sex, national origin, color, handicap, or age.