

Timeline of key activities for first year medical students: Global Short-Term Training Program (GSTTP) 2020/2021

If you are a first year DGSOM student who may be interested in a global health research experience during the summer before your second year, please familiarize yourself with this timeline of key activities early in your first year.

The Global Health Program (GHP) at DGSOM is here to support students in their global health endeavors throughout medical school. Often times, students interested in GSTTP also participate in the Global Health Equity Pathway and Global Health Selective, though neither are required in order to apply for GSTTP. The Pathway provides students with the opportunity to remain engaged and connected to activities related to health equity, both locally and globally, and faculty mentors longitudinally throughout medical school. The Selective is a global health course offered to first year students in the fall, during which students are exposed to multidisciplinary issues in global health, including applications of global health equity with local relevance. You do not need to be enrolled in the Selective to attend individual events.

Your key GHP contact for GSTTP is Dr. Traci Wells (TWells@mednet.ucla.edu), GHP Director of Education. Please feel free to contact her with any questions or to set up a meeting.

Date*	Activity
August 14, 2020 via Zoom	Attend the virtual Student Organizations Fair to (1) meet GHP faculty and staff; and (2) familiarize yourself with GHP's offerings for DGSOM students, including GSTTP, the Global Health Equity Pathway, and the Global Health Selective. To learn more about the Global Health Equity Pathway, please visit: https://worldhealth.med.ucla.edu/pages/global_health_equity_pathway To learn more about the Global Health Selective, please visit: www.worldhealth.med.ucla.edu/pages/global_health_selective
September-December	Attend Global Health Selective events and network with second year student leaders who participated in GSTTP. The calendar of Selective events is updated each August and can be found here: www.worldhealth.med.ucla.edu/pages/global_health_selective
September 24, 2020 via Zoom	Attend World Health Night, an open event hosted by the Global Health Selective, to learn about student, alumni, and faculty pathways in global health
September-October	As early as the beginning of September, start meeting with potential global health faculty mentors. If you are unsure where to start, please reach out to Dr. Wells, who would be happy to brainstorm with you.
September-November	Connect with Dr. Wells for invitations to Global Health Equity Pathway Work-in-Progress Meetings (WIPs), held at lunchtime throughout the fall, to learn from second year students who present on their global health research projects begun during GSTTP.
November 16, 2020 via Zoom	Attend the Summer Opportunities Fair to learn more about GSTTP from faculty and fellow students.
November-December	Decide on both faculty mentor(s) and a global health or health equity project/site before Winter Break, at the latest.
February 8 th	Apply for GSTTP by Monday, February 8, 2021 at 4PM. Application instructions will be available here: www.worldhealth.med.ucla.edu/pages/global_short-term_training_program

December-April	<p>GSTTP projects must receive UCLA Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval/exemption as well in-country bioethics committee approval. More information is available on the GSTTP webpage. By the end of January, students should have created, with assistance from their mentor(s), a WebIRB account, and have completed required CITI trainings. From there, students should work with GHP and with their mentor(s) to ensure approvals are attained. Submit for UCLA IRB approval in January, if possible. Rachel Abbott (REAbbott@mednet.ucla.edu), GHP Program Coordinator, can answer IRB-related questions.</p> <p>Review this IRB primer for GSTTP students: https://opencms.ctrl.ucla.edu/global_health/files/view/IRB_Requirements_for_GSTTP_Students_-_2020_24Jan.pdf</p>
December-April	Develop GSTTP project details (e.g., by conducting a literature review, refining research design, participating in any necessary trainings for methodology).
April 1 st	Submit for in-country bioethics committee approval by this date at the latest.
April-May	Finalize project details, including IRB approvals.
June 1-July 16, 2020	GSTTP project period.
July 16, 2020 (location TBD)	<p>GSTTP feedback session and present GSTTP project at Josiah Brown Summer Research Poster Fair.</p> <p>Past posters can be found here: www.apps.medsch.ucla.edu/josiahbrown/</p>
<p><i>This timeline was last updated on November 13, 2020</i></p> <p>*Dates are subject to change</p>	