

TUMAINI UNIVERSITY MAKUMIRA KILIMANJARO CHRISTIAN MEDICAL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Advanced Research Training Program Opportunity

The Kilimanjaro Christian Medical University College (KCMC) through its Project namely Medical Education Partnership Initiatives Tanzania (MEPI-T) project under auspices of National Institute of Health – Fogarty International Centre (NIH/FIC) wishes to invite applications for Advanced Research Training Program. The program aims to Strengthen Research Capacity for Junior Faculty in Tanzania, and junior faculty members are invited to apply for support to enhance their research skills.

Description

The selected junior faculty members will receive substantial assistance including;

- 50% protected time from clinical responsibilities to devote to research for 2 years;
- Up to \$10,000/year for research costs for 3 years to engage in a mentored research project;
- Training-related materials such as laptops and software for quantitative and qualitative analyses;
- Research mentorship from local and international experts;
- Assistance with an Open Appraisal Performance System;
- Exposure to leadership skills, research administration, financial management, grantmanship skills, research ethics and community engagement.

Eligibility

The eligibility criteria include the following:

- Junior faculty member defined as tutorial assistant, lecturer or assistant professor, OR staff member in a clinical department;
- MD degree AND a Master's degree in Public Health, Clinical Research, Biostatistics or Epidemiology, or PhD degree.

Research Topic

The research topics which may be addressed through this Program include;

- HIV/AIDS;
- Women's health:
- Non-communicable diseases.

After participating in the Program for three years, each participant will be required to complete;

- At least one published manuscript;
- A new research proposal in the format of a US National Institutes of Health R21 application.

Mode of Application

A complete application package should include the following:-

- Current curriculum vitae;
- Copies of all certificates and diplomas;
- Transcripts from all degree programs
- A one-page preliminary research proposal on one of the three listed topics, including the names of potential mentors;
- Mentorship plan and the curriculum vitae or NIH biosketch of the proposed mentor(s);
- A list of skills to be gained during the training period;
- At least two letters of recommendation, and a letter of support from your Head of Department;
- A signed letter from each candidate stating their willingness to remain at their host institution for a minimum of five years after training is completed.
- Your applications should be sent to the undersigned via e-mail at <u>mepiart@kcmuco.ac.tz</u> OR through Post mail delivery to:

Closure of Applications

All application materials should reach the undersigned earliest but not later than Monday, November 30, 2015, at COB 4:00pm East African Time.

The Principal Investigator
KCMC MEPI-T,
Attn: Deputy Provost for Administration
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Disposition

Following an initial review of the applications, a short list of the most competitive applicants will be created and the short-listed candidates will be interviewed. The anticipated start date for the Advanced Research Training Program is January 31, 2016.

Enquiry:

You may wish to reach the following for any enquiry regarding the application imani.israel@gmail.com