

WHO/TDR International Postgraduate Scholarship for Master of Public Health Call for Applications for Academic Year 2017-2018

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The James P. Grant School of Public Health (JPGSPH) at BRAC University in Dhaka, Bangladesh is accepting applications for WHO TDR International Post Graduate Training Scheme (TIPS) for its 13th batch of Master of Public Health (MPH) Programme beginning in January 2017. It is a 12-month full-time programme which promotes problem-based experiential learning.

The scheme, which is provided by TDR, the Special Programme for Research and Training in Tropical Diseases based at the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland, provides full scholarship. Candidates from low- and middle-income countries (LMICs) of WHO South-East Asia (<http://www.searo.who.int/about/en/>) and West Pacific (<http://www.wpro.who.int/countries/en/>) regions are eligible to apply.

The training will be focused on courses relevant to a career in implementation research. Implementation research is a growing field that supports the identification of health system bottlenecks and approaches to address them, and is particularly useful in low- and middle- income countries where many health interventions do not research those bottlenecks that impede success. The goal of this scheme is to enhance graduate training capacity and boost the number and quality of researchers in low- and middle-income countries. Further information on implementation research is available at www.who.int/tdr/publications/topics/ir-toolkit/en/.

Nine (9) scholarships will be offered for the 2017-18 academic year. The Programme is taught in English.

Recipients will be enrolled as postgraduate students, and their careers will be tracked with the new TDR Global alumni and stakeholder platform, providing ongoing monitoring of the impact of the programme, as well as networking and increased visibility opportunities for students.

Eligibility for the Scholarship

- Nationals/Residents from low- and middle income countries (data.worldbank.org/about/country-and-lending-groups) of WHO South-East Asia and West Pacific regions.
- Applicants should normally be under 35 years of age for TIPS
- Applicants must meet the following BRAC University requirements

Admissions Criteria

- Bachelor and/or Masters degree(s) in social sciences including public health, medicine, nursing, midwifery, health sciences or equivalent disciplines
- Excellent academic track record with GPA 3.0 or above
- Proficiency in Mathematics and oral and written English
- Computer literacy, Microsoft Office and data analysis skill

The scholarship covers:

- One return economy airfare between the home country of the student and Bangladesh;
- Tuition fees and a basic medical and accident insurance;
- Allowance toward recommended learning materials (e.g. Reading Materials);
- Access to laptop for the duration of MPH Programme;
- Support for Summative Learning Project (SLP);
- Monthly stipend to cover living expenses equivalent to local living cost.

Applying for TIPS at JPGSPH

Students must submit their online applications for MPH Programme at JPGSPH at (<http://sph.bracu.ac.bd/index.php/mph/admission/forms/97-education/222-admissioniframe>) or admissions.bracu.ac.bd.

Deadlines: Tentative dates are as follows:

Date the call for applications is posted online	May 15, 2016
Deadline for application	August 31, 2016
Short listing of eligible candidates for assessment	September 15, 2016

Selection

Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for assessment. Qualified candidates will be asked for written test and viva. Finally selected students will be required to confirm acceptance of the offer submitting a Statement of Undertaking as per the regulation of BRAC University.

Application deadline: August 31, 2016

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