

Research Award: Governance for Equity in Health Systems

Deadline: August 6, 2014

Please note that all applications must be submitted online.

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IDRC's [Governance for Equity in Health Systems](#) (GEHS) program supports research in developing countries that helps to redress health inequities and improve health services, systems, and policies. We place special emphasis on research that reflects primary healthcare priorities, and the prevention and treatment of illness at the primary level of care. This includes examining the relationship between health services delivery and communities, and exploring how best to improve access to health and redress inequities. GEHS supports research activities in Africa, Asia, and Latin America.

GEHS encourages research proposals that focus on one of the following research domains to address key governance, equity, and health systems integration issues:

- Role of non-state actors, including the private sector in health systems and health service delivery;
- Policy and implementation processes for quality primary health care services (e.g., formulating, implementing, and evaluating mechanisms and approaches for equitable policies for health; fair and sustainable financing; influences of donors and global policies on increasing access to health and health services), especially for marginalized and underserved populations; and
- Interrelationships and root problems of poor health outcomes and dysfunctional health systems.

Who can apply?

To be eligible, you must meet the following requirements:

- Be a citizen or permanent resident of Canada, or a citizen of a developing country.
- Be either currently enrolled at a recognized university at the master's or doctoral level or have completed a master's or doctoral degree at a recognized university. These awards may be part of an academic requirement.
- Your proposed research must focus on a developing country.

Candidates should have the following qualifications:

- Strong research, analytical, and communication skills;
- Familiarity with key institutions (including Canadian) active in global health research and policy;
- An understanding of health systems, and social and gender analysis is critical; and
- Proficiency in English and French is essential.

Please note that preference will be given to master's degree candidates or recent graduates. The research awardee will spend approximately 50% of the time on his or her own research and 50% as an integral part of the GEHS team. The successful candidate will contribute to the program's work on managing a portfolio of health systems research projects.

This position is located at IDRC's head office in Ottawa.

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