



## CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

### 18-MONTH POST-DOCTORAL TRAINING IN GLOBAL BIOETHICS

#### *Fogarty African Bioethics Consortium Post-Doctoral Fellowship*

The Fogarty African Bioethics Consortium (FABC) invites applications from qualified individuals for fully-funded, long-term (18 months), Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) training in global bioethics and international research ethics. FABC is a collaboration of four institutions: The Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics and the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (JHU), Makerere University College of Health Sciences, Uganda (MakCHS), the University of Botswana (UB), and the University of Zambia (UNZA). Training activities will take place at JHU in Baltimore, Maryland, USA and at FABC member-institutions in Uganda, Botswana, and Zambia. The program is funded by the U.S. National Institutes of Health, Fogarty International Center.

#### PROGRAM COMPONENTS AND TIMELINE

Selected 18-month FABC post-doctoral fellows from MakCHS, UB, and UNZA will participate in the following:

**Component A (24 August 2019 – 20 December 2019)** – Four (4) months of in-depth bioethics training at JHU which will include advanced coursework and seminars in bioethics, research ethics, research methods and international health; research proposal development; individual mentorship; institutional Review Board (IRB) externships; participation in an ethics conference; networking; teaching assistance; and career planning.

**Component B (21 December 2019 – 20 March 2020)** – Three (3) months initiating independent research in one's home country, while benefiting from ongoing mentorship, networking, career planning, and participation in a regional research ethics conference.

**Component C (21 March 2020 – 30 June 2020)** – Three and a quarter months (3.25) months of in-depth bioethics training at JHU which will include advanced coursework and seminars in bioethics, research ethics, research methods and international health; research proposal development; individual mentorship; institutional Review Board (IRB) externships; participation in an ethics conference; networking; teaching assistance; and career planning.

**Component D (1 July 2020 – 15 January 2021)** – Six and a half (6.5) months conducting independent research in one's home country, while benefiting from ongoing mentorship, networking, career planning.

**Component E (16 January 2021 – 28 February 2021)** – One and a half (1.5) months of scholarly exchange (placement) at a different FABC member-institution in Africa during which each fellow will primarily be responsible for drafting and submitting manuscript(s) for publication that emerge from the independent research. The exchange will also provide opportunities for networking across FABC institutions with other bioethics fellows and faculty, lecturing, submission of conference/symposia abstracts and the like.

#### **Financial support will be provided for the following program-related expenses:**

- Airfare (US carrier, lowest cost economy)
- Ground transportation (to/from airports and program-approved trips)
- Approved coursework
- Ethics conference participation
- Independent research
- Living expenses – for components A, C and E
- Visa fees

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Applicants are required to submit an application comprising:

1. **Curriculum Vitae (CV)**
2. **Personal Statement** – up to 2 pages describing:
  - a. previous research experience and training (~½ page),
  - b. previous research ethics/bioethics experience and training (~½ page), and
  - c. career aspirations in bioethics (~½ page)
3. **Reference Letter** – professional letter of reference speaking with some detail to the applicant's experience and promise in bioethics; this letter need *not* be from home institution
4. **Institutional Letter of Commitment and Release** – explicitly permitting:
  - a. leave from official duties to study at Johns Hopkins for 7.25 months,
  - b. sufficient time off to complete 9 months of independent research, and
  - c. leave for 1.5 months to undergo a scholarly exchange at a different FABC institution
5. **Evidence of Prior Completion of Doctoral-level Training** (e.g., PhD, DPhil, JD, MD, MBChB, MBBS, etc)

Complete applications will be reviewed by the FABC-PDF Executive Committee; finalists will be interviewed in-person or via conference call/Skype.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

- Must be current staff, faculty or fellow at MakCHS, UB or UNZA
- Prior completion of doctoral-level training in a health- and/or ethics-related discipline (degree certificate must be provided; individuals in-training for a doctoral degree are not eligible)
- Significant prior experience with research and research ethics/bioethics
- Capacity to lead future ethics-related research, teaching and service
- Strong institutional and professional support
- Able to commit to entire 18-month program

## HOW TO APPLY

To apply, submit **via email** your CV, personal statement, reference letter, institutional letter of commitment and release, and copy of doctoral-level diploma to: Ms. Diana Mendoza-Cervantes [dmendoz4@jhu.edu](mailto:dmendoz4@jhu.edu)

**Application deadline: 31 January 2019** (Only complete applications will be reviewed.)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Questions about the program or application requirements can be sent to: Prof. Nelson Sewankambo ([sewankam@infocom.co.ug](mailto:sewankam@infocom.co.ug))

For more information about *the Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics* and *Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health*: [www.bioethicsinstitute.org](http://www.bioethicsinstitute.org) and [www.jhsph.edu](http://www.jhsph.edu)

For more information about the *Fogarty African Bioethics Consortium*: [www.fabtp.com/consortium](http://www.fabtp.com/consortium)