



DREXEL UNIVERSITY

Dornsife Global Development Scholars

2019 Scholar Application

The Dornsife Global Development Scholars program is a nationally and internationally recognized capacity-building program for bridging gaps between scientific research, development practice, and applied problem-solving in the context of improving global health.

This program is based on a mentorship model that allows students of all majors and educational levels to work alongside a major international non-government organization (INGO)—World Vision International—on humanitarian, global health and international development initiatives related to: water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH), maternal and child health, health education, social marketing, community engagement, monitoring and evaluation, economic development, and a host of other areas related to promoting and improving health and development outcomes in developing countries. This opportunity allows students to gain an international experience working in rural parts of sub-Saharan Africa, Latin America and Southeast Asia from 3 to 6 months. Working closely with our World Vision International, the program provides support throughout the experience including pre-departure orientation and training, in-country housing arrangements for the duration of the international experience, airport transportation, project orientation, site visits and field-based experiences.

The Dornsife Global Development Scholars program is open to all graduate and undergraduate majors (at all levels) at Drexel; applications for coop and/or a summer international experience are strongly encouraged.

The Dornsife Global Development Scholars program provide students with generous funding to cover the associated costs of participation, including a scholarship to cover travel and in-field expenses, such as:

- Airfare to and from country
- In-country housing
- Monthly food stipend
- International health insurance
- Emergency evacuation insurance
- Communications expenses (local cell phone and/or occasional use of internet cafes)
- Visa expenses
- And other related costs

The Dornsife Global Development Scholars program prepares each and every scholar for international work through a required pre-departure training program. This training is held prior to travel and field work, as pre-departure training is essential for every outbound scholar. Dornsife Global Development Scholars are also expected to present findings and lessons learned upon their return back to the United States through a post-exit presentation or workshop. As a part of this scholarship program, Dornsife Global Development Scholars are required to participate in programming at least one term before the international experience begins; as well as re-entry programming during the academic year after they return to the US. Specific details on the presentation, participation in all programming, and other expectations will be given during the Dornsife Global Development Scholars interest meetings and orientation.

All questions in regard to the application process or the training program can be directed to Idris Robinson at idris@drexel.edu or 267-359-6058, drexel.edu/dornsifescholars.

All co-op applicants are required to abide by all Steinbright Career Development Center international co-op requirements <http://www.drexel.edu/scdc/co-op/international/>. Additionally, all non-co-op applicants must adhere to the Study Abroad registration requirements <http://www.drexel.edu/studyabroad/>.

www.drexel.edu/dornsifescholars



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Application Checklist

- Completed Application (3 pages)
- Statement of Purpose (One Page Personal Statement)
- Unofficial Transcripts (Current)
- Resume/Curriculum vitae (2 pages max)

To be considered as a priority candidate, completed applications must be submitted by November 7, 2018 to Idris Robinson. All completed applications can be submitted using the following:

Email

idris@drexel.edu

Dropped off or Mailed

IDRIS ROBINSON
3215 MARKET STREET
NESBITT HALL ROOM 732
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19104



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Application Instruction

Step 1

Review all background information about the Dornsife Global Development Scholars program, which can be found in the program description and on the Dornsife Global Development Scholars website (see: www.drexel.edu/dornsifescholars). On our website, be sure to review the diversity of work and field experiences that past Dornsife Global Development Scholars have had (from 2014-present), in rural parts of sub-Saharan Africa (see: <http://drexel.edu/dornsife/global/dornsife-scholars/scholars/>).

Step 2

Complete the Dornsife Global Development Scholars application by providing a response to all fields. On the application, be sure to select the theme/program areas that you are interested in (check all that apply). Save the file type as a PDF with the following title: "FirstnameLastname_DGDSapp" (e.g. IdrisRobinson_DGDSapp .pdf).

Step 3

Prepare the remaining supplemental application materials:

- **Statement of Purpose:** One-page statement of interest that describes (1) unique contributions you can make to World Vision given your skills and interests, (2) prior experiences working in diverse communities, and (3) specific ways working with World Vision WASH on global health initiatives relate to your future career goals. Save the file type as a PDF with the following title: "FirstnameLastname_SOP" (e.g. IdrisRobinson_SOP.pdf).
- **Transcripts:** Unofficial transcripts from current or most recent institution, or Fall 2018 term grades. Save the file type as a PDF with the following title: "FirstnameLastname_Trans" (e.g. IdrisRobinson_Trans.pdf).
- **Resume/Curriculum vitae (CV):** CVs should be a maximum of 2 pages. Save the file type as a PDF with the following title: "FirstnameLastname_CV" (e.g. IdrisRobinson_CV.pdf).

Step 4

Applications are due by November 7, 2018. It is your responsibility to ensure that your submission contains a complete application and all of the necessary components. *Although applications will be accepted on a rolling basis, priority will be given to applications received on or before November 7, 2018.* Completed applications can be submitted by email, fax, mail, or dropped off to Idris Robinson using the following:

- **Email:** idris@drexel.edu
- **Mail/Drop off:** 3215 Market Street, Nesbitt Hall Room 732, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104

Note: This is a very competitive program. Completing the Dornsife Scholars application process does not guarantee placement. Additionally, in order to meet university requirements for co-op credit, an international experience, practicum, thesis or other academic requirements (if applicable), students must also abide by the application and registration requirements of Steinbright Career Development Center (for co-op), the Study Abroad international experience process, and seek approval from your advisor/department, college/school (if seeking credit in partial fulfillment of other academic requirements, such as practicum, thesis/dissertation research, etc.)



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Selection Process

Review 1

The Dornsife Global Development Scholars Selection Committee will review eligible applications in an attempt to match applicants with the needs of our World Vision International hosts based on the following:

- Demonstration of necessary experience, knowledge and skills;
- Ability to connect academic matriculation with the general needs of improving health outcomes in resource-limited communities;
- Expressed interest of international development as it relates to World Vision global health and WASH initiatives as described in personal statement; and
- Demonstrated understanding of the current state of global health and international development.

The Committee will then notify and arrange interviews with the applicant based on the specific opportunities available at World Vision. After the interview between the Committee and the candidate, the Committee will notify World Vision of the qualified applicants for logistics.

Review 2

World Vision International will review accepted applications and select the applicants best suited for the available World Vision project(s). If needed, the Dornsife Global Development Scholar Program Office will coordinate a Skype or conference call between World Vision and the applicant(s) before identifying the best match(es) for the available World Vision project(s). Students can expect that these meetings will consist of a brief conversation or meeting arranged at World Vision's discretion.

Review 3

The Dornsife Global Development Scholars Selection Committee will identify the matches between the accepted applicant's preferred projects and project interests (as identified on the student's application), and World Vision's list of preferred student matches (as identified in Review 2).

Final decisions on accepted applicants will be based on the matching criteria and overall best fit. Decisions will be announced in a formal acknowledgement sent to applicants by email before the winter break.

Upon the acceptance of the Scholarship offer, Scholars will sign a commitment to the program and be informed of orientation, events, and all other information related to the Dornsife Global Development Scholars program. Before committing to this program, it is the responsibility of the student to ensure there are no financial holds or outstanding tuition bills that would impact the posting of their scholarship via Drexel One.

Co-op students will follow the policies, procedures, and processes of the Steinbright Career Development Center as outlined here: <http://www.drexel.edu/scdc/co-op/undergraduate/policies-procedures/>. For more information about the international co-op contact the co-op team at internationalcoop@drexel.edu.



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Contact Information

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
<i>PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH YOUR FULL NAME EXACTLY AS IT IS WRITTEN ON YOUR PASSPORT</i>		
Email Address	Drexel Student ID	Mobile Phone
Date of Birth	Mailing Address	City/State/ Zip Code
Skype Name	Preferred Email <i>THIS CAN BE A NON-DREXEL EMAIL ADDRESS</i>	

Current University Information

Are you applying to this program for fulfillment of co-op? Yes No

Please select your current academic classification.

<input type="checkbox"/> Freshman	<input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore	<input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Junior	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior
<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Masters	<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate Doctorate	<input type="checkbox"/> DUCOM Medical Student		<input type="checkbox"/> Other

Field of Study (Major and Minor)	
Current GPA (on a 4.0 scale)	Anticipated Graduation (Semester/Year)

Demographic Information

Sex: Male Female Other

Are you a United States citizen? Yes No
If no, please state your country of citizenship.

Do you speak any other languages? Yes No
If so, please list which languages you speak and your level of proficiency.

Racial/ethnic category. Please select all that apply. (Optional)

<input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/ Alaska Native	<input type="checkbox"/> Asian	<input type="checkbox"/> Black/ African American
<input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/ Latino	<input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	<input type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Other

Areas of Interest

Please select the reason you are applying to this program: General Experience Co-op

Based on your plan of study, please identify the duration you are most available to travel internationally as a scholar:

Six (6) weeks Ten (10) weeks Three (3) months Six (6) months
 Term II Break Semester/Term Break Student exchange (only in select locations)

When is the earliest you will be available to travel? Spring 2019 Summer 2019 Fall 2019

Based on your background, please select your global health/development areas of interest. Select all that apply.

Health/Healthcare Maternal & Child Health Policy Health Education & Promotion
 Behavior Change Economic Development Nutrition Community Development
 Program Evaluation Vulnerable populations Engineering Adolescent Health
 Microfinancing Social Marketing Education Business development
 Entrepreneurship Process Improvement Climate Change Gender Mainstreaming

We have project locations in nearly 20 countries in sub-Saharan African, South Asia, and Latin America. Although placement is based upon the need of the World Vision host, as well as candidate that match, if you have a strong interest in a particular country, please indicate them below. (Note: There is no guarantee of a placement match with a preferred location area.)

Ethiopia Ghana Honduras India Kenya Lesotho
 Malawi Mozambique Rwanda Senegal Sierra Leone South Africa
 Sri Lanka Swaziland Tanzania Uganda Zambia Zimbabwe
 Only Africa Only Asia No Preference (Open to any and all sites equally.)

Knowledge Skills and Attitudes Assessment

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1. I With new experiences, I am completely open-minded.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. I take pride in the work that I do.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. If I do not have enough information to do a task, I seek it.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. I am constantly looking for ways to do my job better.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. I value groups that are different than me. <i>FOR EXAMPLE: CULTURAL, POLITICAL, ORIENTATION, RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS, ETC</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Former groupmates consider me a stellar team member.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. I respectfully communicate frustrations in the workplace.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. I am sensitive to viewpoints I disagree with.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. I have confidence in my abilities without external affirmations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. I am comfortable working in resource-limited settings <i>FOR EXAMPLE: RURAL AND UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Contacts Information for Professional References

Please provide the contact information of two professional references that are knowledgeable of your ability to work on projects related to the improvement of health outcomes within sub-Saharan Africa, and pursue a career contributing to international development. ONE REFERENCE MUST BE FROM A DREXEL UNIVERSITY FACULTY OR STAFF MEMBER. Note: We are not looking for actual reference letters.

Reference 1

Full Name	Title	
Company	Mailing Address (include city/state/zip code)	
Email Address	Phone Number	Years Known

Reference 2

Full Name	Title	
Company	Mailing Address (include city/state/zip code)	
Email Address	Phone Number	Years Known

- I have reviewed the program details and all other information in the application packet.
- I have read the requirements and confirm that I meet them.
- I am aware, as placements are individually based, that it is highly likely I will be based in a rural World Vision site and not working with another Drexel student.
- I understand the field component of the Dornsife Global Development Scholars program will require me to get immunizations.
- In fulfillment of my co-op, international experience, practicum, thesis, dissertation, or other academic requirement, I confirm I have received the necessary approval from my advisor/department, college/school, co-op/study abroad advisor (if applicable).
- Based on the workload needs of World Vision, I understand it is possible I could be placed in a region, country, or site working in/or/on a project that may differ from my stated preferences.
- I am aware that once selected as a Dornsife Global Development Scholar, my emergency contact (or designee) must participate in a brief mandatory information session/teleconference prior to my departure.
- I understand most placements are in rural parts of sub-Saharan Africa, working directly with World Vision International—which is a faith-based international development NGO active in over 90 countries with projects funded by USAID, CDC, Global Fund, UNICEF, etc.
- I understand that selection to the 2019 cohort of the Dornsife Global Development Scholars Program requires me to sign a program commitment contract.

Signature

Date