

Global Health Equity Travel Award

Residents, Students (Undergraduate and Graduate), Staff, and Community Partners
College of Medicine, University of Saskatchewan

Purpose and Overview

The College of Medicine's Department of Community Health and Epidemiology administers this funding opportunity to support travel linked to global and local health equity initiatives. The Global Health Equity Travel Award is designed to foster educational and scholarly engagement in activities that align with the College's commitment to Social Accountability, Indigenous Health, and Health Equity. This funding is open to medical residents, students (undergraduate and graduate), staff, post-doctoral fellows, and community partners working in collaboration with College of Medicine affiliated initiatives.

Projects eligible for funding should address health disparities and advance equity through respectful, reciprocal partnerships. These may include clinical practice, community-based health programs, research, health promotion, or health systems advocacy work—both internationally and within Saskatchewan. Funded activities must explicitly connect with at least one of the following priority health needs as identified by the College of Medicine's Division of Social Accountability:

1. Basic Standards of Living
2. Child & Elder Wellbeing
3. Anti-Racism & Decolonization
4. Harm Reduction
5. Access to Services
6. Environment & Climate
7. Disability & Ableism
8. Mental Health & Substance Use
9. 2SLGBTQ+ & Sexual Health
10. Systems Navigation

Funding may support:

- Research opportunities (international or local-global contexts)
- Participation in certificate, courses
- Presentation of Global Health, Indigenous Health, or Health Equity research at academic conferences
- Support in-coming faculty or community partners for collaboration and or presentation opportunities

Strategic Funding Priorities

Priority will be given to projects that:

- Address one or more of the identified priority health needs
- Advance equity for historically marginalized populations
- Demonstrate reciprocal, community-driven partnerships
- Involve partners or communities with established ties to the University of Saskatchewan
- Enhance the internationalization and diversification of the learning environment
- Build capacity in health care, education, research, or leadership in low-resource settings
- Offer strong mentorship opportunities for the applicant

Funding Amount

Each award will cover eligible travel-related expenses up to \$2,000.
Funding is disbursed post-travel upon completion of program requirements.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- Affiliated with the College of Medicine as a student, resident, staff member, or postdoctoral fellow, OR
- A community partner working with a COM member on an eligible initiative

They must also:

- Complete a pre-departure global health orientation (as applicable)
- Register in the International Travel Registry at least 30 days before departure for international travel.
- Ensure compliance with Canadian government travel advisories
- Commit to some form of knowledge translation and distribution upon return

Application Requirements

Completed application [form](#)

If applying for a course, include:

- Course syllabus
- Proof of registration or acceptance

If applying to present research, include:

- Summary and stage of research
- Conference details
- Confirmation of abstract acceptance

Questions can be submitted to:

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