

**GLOBAL HEALTH STUDIES CERTIFICATE
GLOBAL HEALTH PROJECT PREAPPROVAL**

Attach a Global Health Project proposal (see instructions below) to this completed form then submit both to the Global Health Studies Program. Global Health Project proposals must be approved by the Global Health Studies Program before students begin their projects.

Deadline for spring projects is November 1; for summer/fall projects it is March 15.

Student Name _____ Student ID number _____

UI E-mail _____ Non UI Email _____

Major/degree program (ex: BS Anthropology; MS Epidemiology) _____

Local address _____

Home address (if different) _____

Phone number _____

If academic credit will be earned, course number, title, and s.h. _____

Faculty Supervisor Name _____

Faculty Supervisor E-mail _____

Human Subjects in Research: *Any research project which involves "human subjects" must be reviewed by the **Institutional Review Board (IRB)** prior to the initiation of the project. Students should complete an online IRB determination form at: <http://hso.research.uiowa.edu/human-subjects-research-determinations>. Proof of the determination/ review process must also be submitted to the Global Health Studies Program. Contact the IRB at 319/335-6465 or irb@uiowa.edu*

My research project is subject to IRB approval (please check one):

Yes

No

Faculty Approval: *I agree to serve as faculty supervisor of this project, have approved the attached project proposal, and the student and I have agreed on the expectations and grading criteria for this project. Furthermore, I am permitted, under my home department's guidelines, to supervise independent projects.*

Faculty signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Statement: *I have reviewed all policies and procedures for the Global Health Project which is required for the Global Health Studies certificate, have talked with my faculty supervisor about expectations and grading criteria for this project, and understand all requirements and deadlines.*

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

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GLOBAL HEALTH PROJECT PREAPPROVAL (CONT)**

Location where you will complete your Global Health Project: _____

Dates during which you will be engaged in your project: _____

Total semester hours you will have completed for your GHS certificate before embarking on your project:

GHS core courses you will have completed before embarking on your project:

Please list all funding for which you will be applying and report the status of applications/expected notification dates (use other side, or attach another sheet if needed):

GLOBAL HEALTH STUDIES CERTIFICATE GLOBAL HEALTH PROJECT PROPOSAL

Students who are completing the Global Health Studies certificate must complete an approved Global Health Project during which they address an important global health issue in a systematic way. This can be done either in an international setting or in a domestic setting which focuses on global connections. Eight weeks is considered the optimal amount of time to meet this requirement. The Global Health Project may be completed as part of a study abroad program, a service learning course, an internship, a volunteer experience, or an independent research project. Importantly, the Global Health Studies Program supports student involvement in experiential learning only if it is conducted through reputable organizations which uphold ethical and health standards for both students and local populations worldwide. See the GHSP website for info on possible funding. Projects require GHSP steering committee approval and supervision by a faculty member.

- Students must submit a completed *Preapproval* form with an attached *Project Proposal* before starting the project.
- Students may register for GHS:4990 Independent Project in Global Health to earn semester hours towards the certificate program for their Global Health Project.
- A maximum of 3 s.h. of academic credit for the Global Health Project, whether in the form of independent study, study abroad, or internship credit, may be applied toward the required electives for the GHS certificate.
- Students must register international travel through approved University of Iowa channels; contact UI International Programs for details.
- In the semester immediately following the completion of the project, students must submit a formal written report to the GHS Program and present on their project in a public forum.

GHS:3010 Identifying/ Developing a Global Health Project assists students in developing and writing the required proposal for the Global Health Project (and obtaining financial support when possible). Students are strongly advised to take this course before they begin their projects (it is offered only in the fall semester).

Students must attach an Global Health Project Proposal to the Preapproval form. The proposal must be typed and must include:

Project summary—*In clear and understandable terms, explain what you are proposing to do (i.e., research; study abroad; service learning; internship; volunteering). What is the central topic of your project, or what is your central research question? What do you hope to find out?*

Background and Purpose—*Why is your topic or research question important? Have other scholars written about your topic? How will your approach lead to new insights?*

Faculty Mentor—*Who is your faculty mentor, and why are they a good fit for your project/ research?*

Methodology—*What steps will you take to obtain information about your topic, or to answer your central question?*

Location—*Where will you be located? Why have you chosen this particular international or domestic site?*

Timeline—*When will you start? What is your timeline for completing particular phases of your project or research? When will you be finished?*

Resources—*Who are your contacts locally or internationally? What resources are available to you?*

Reading list—*What texts are central to your topic? What are you going to read in advance? While at your site?*

Communication—*How will you communicate with your faculty mentor while you are engaged in your project? How frequently will you communicate?*

Human subjects -- *Proof that an application has been submitted to the Human Subjects Office (Institutional Review Board) if necessary (see Preapproval form)*