

Fellow Eligibility and Selection Policy

University of Washington Global Emergency Medicine and Rural Health Fellowship Program

Purpose

The University of Washington GEMRH Fellowship Eligibility and Selection Policy is designed to ensure fair and consistent consideration and decision-making for all applicants to the UW Non-ACGME Global Emergency Medicine and Rural Health (GEMRH) fellowship training program. Recruitment and appointment of fellows to UW programs is performed by the respective program director, faculty and department chair under the oversight of the Graduate Medical Education Committee (GMEC) and the Office of Graduate Medical Education.

Eligibility

Criteria for Non-ACMGE fellow eligibility is defined by the relevant Review Committee (CPR 3.2), national standards, and UW institutional standards. Applicants must meet one of the following qualifications to be eligible for appointment:

- Board Prepared/Board Certified in Emergency Medicine
- The program is unable to consider applicants requiring H-1B or J-1 visa sponsorship.
- All applicants must register and apply through the NRMP Match and the Global Emergency Medicine Fellowship Consortium when applying for Alaska Track. Pine Ridge Track applicants can email requirements to globlem@gmail.com.

Application

The GEMRH Fellowship program participates in the NRMP match service, for the Alaska based track, and can upload applicant materials to the [GEMC Application Portal](#). Pine Ridge Track applicants can email requirements to globlem@gmail.com. The application timeline is guided by NRMP match.

Required Application materials:

1. Letter of Intent (1 page)
2. CV
3. Personal Statement (1 page)
4. Three letters of recommendation, including one from the current chair or residency director, and one from a mentor in global health (if applicable)
5. USMLE transcript

*Candidates must apply separately to their MPH program and their chosen tropical medicine education program (e.g., GORGAS or London School). The fellowship director will work with the fellow immediately after selection to help guide these applications.

Interview

Four fellowship positions are available each cycle: two for the Alaska/GH based Fellowship and two for the Pine Ridge, SD/GH based Fellowship. Interviews will be conducted via Zoom, in a block interview format, with fellow leadership.

Selection

The GEMRH Fellowship Program will select trainees among eligible applicants on the basis of training program-related criteria such as their preparedness, ability, aptitude, academic credentials, communication skills, and personal qualities such as motivation and integrity, as well as professionalism. This program will not discriminate with regard to sex, race, age, religion, color, national origin, disability, or any other applicable legally protected status. Before accepting a fellow who has completed residency and/or fellowship training at UW or an outside training program, the program will obtain verification of previous educational experiences.

*Alaska Based Fellowship uses the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP), through the Global Emergency Medicine Consortium (GEMC), to match fellowship positions.