**ASCP Trainee Global Health Fellowship Application**

**The American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) is excited to offer travel scholarships for US-based pathology residents and fellows to work at the Partners for Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment in Africa initiative sites. To apply, please review the information below and complete the application by November 15, 2019. Selected applicants will be notified in December 2019.**

ASCP Trainee Global Health Fellowships give pathology residents and fellows the opportunity to go beyond the training at their local institutions by expanding their experience, knowledge, and exposure to pathology in a low- to middle-income country setting as part of Partners for Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment in Africa. ASCP’s support of these sites offers the unique opportunity for applicants to participate in ongoing research or propose a short-term research project. Grants are available for up to six trainees per year for $2500 each to visit a single site for a minimum of a four-week rotation. If selected, ASCP staff will assist you in making the connections to the site and arranging your visit, completing any necessary documentation, and making suggestions for best routes to/from and housing options. The Partners Steering Committee, plus additional junior faculty, evaluate all grant applications. The following criteria (Major noted) will be used to score applications:

* Personal goal for the four-week rotation and impact on career (Major)
* Past service to ASCP and future plans with Society
* Level of training (resident all years through fellows)
* Strength of CV (including research outside the field, Major)
* Research during residency training
* Strength of Personal Statement (Major)
* Availability of Salary support from home institution

Grant Conditions

* Applicants must be resident or fellow-in-training members of ASCP training in pathology in the U.S. or Canada.
* Rotations may occur in one of the Partners sites (see cover document).
* Funds are awarded prior to travel as a single payment.
* Travel must be completed by December 31, 2020.
* A full, written report is required upon completion of the rotation.
	+ Participants may be asked to provide testimonials, video clips, or photos for ASCP Foundation and CGH use.
	+ A completed budget, including all expenditures (those covered by this scholarship and any additional costs), is requested for documentation and planning purposes.
* Optional: Participants are encouraged to submit their research as an abstract to the ASCP Annual Meeting after completion of the fellowship.

**Application instructions:**

To apply, please submit the following materials as a single PDF document to GlobalHealth@ascp.org on/before November 15, 2019:

1. Cover Document (next page below).
2. A Personal Statement describing (maximum 1 page, 10 pt font, 1 inch margins, single spaced):
	* What do you want to accomplish on the rotation?
	* What is your interest in global health?
	* Examples of your ASCP participation, such as volunteering as a Resident Representative or with an ASCP Committee or Commission.
	* Confirmation that you are a current ASCP member as a resident or fellow-in-training.
3. A letter from your current Residency or Fellowship Program Director authorizing participation and explaining any requirements for rotation credit (e.g. formal evaluation, supervision by a pathologist, etc.). Provided for you at the end of the application is a letter for your program director that you may want to provide for this purpose.
	* Include if there is any salary funding for the rotation from your institution.
4. Your current curriculum vita.

**ASCP Trainee Global Health Fellowships Cover Document**

*Please submit this cover document along with your personal statement, letter from your program director, and curriculum vitae as a single PDF to GlobalHealth@ascp.org.*

**Name and degree(s):**

**Institution (and city/state):**

**Mailing address:**

**Year in training:**

**Email:**

**Country sites you are interested in visiting (check all that apply):**

 **Rwanda Kenya**

 **Uganda Botswana**

 **Tanzania**

 **Malawi Ghana**

 **Haiti Ethiopia**

**Research projects interested in participating in during your visit (check all that apply):**

**Note: All projects are subject to discretion of local teams and must include collaboration with local team members.**

 **Histology-based review of specific tumor type**

 **Analysis of aggregate data on turnaround time, diagnostics results, outcome**

 **Digital asset teaching/training/education creation and delivery**

 **Literature review/review article on global health and pathology topic**

 **Other (please describe in 100 words):**

**Date: January 4, 2019**

**To: U.S. Residency and/or Fellowship Program Director(s)**

**From: Dr. Dan Milner, MD, MSc(Epi), FASCP**

**RE: ASCP Trainee Global Health Fellowships**

**Dear Sir or Madam:**

**The American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) is excited to offer an opportunity for your residents and fellows to visit our Partners for Cancer Diagnosis and Treatment in Africa initiative sites as part of a minimum 4-week rotational visit. Your resident/fellow needs to apply for the program and include a personal statement, CV, and letter from your office confirming that the resident or fellow is able to participate. The letter should stipulate any requirements you may have for them to complete this rotation and receive credit towards their training. (W*e strongly encourage residents/trainees to participate ONLY if they are a) going to be able to receive credit at the discretion of the Program Director OR b) are already board eligible.*) All trainees are strongly encouraged to engage in a scholarly research activity during the four weeks. The residents or trainees are only visiting sites which have fully functioning anatomic pathology laboratories with a highly qualified pathologist on site. In some of the sites, the lab is connected to 15 ASCP pathologists via telepathology allowing accurate, rapid diagnostic assistance (and facilitating research questions, as needed). We hope that you see the extremely high value of this rotation and would greatly appreciate if you would allow your trainee to participate. Because ASCP is working directly with the sites, we will facilitate communication, planning, etc., for the trainee prior to the visit. Thank you in advance for considering and please let me know if you have any questions by emailing me at** **GlobalHealth@ascp.org****.**