

APPLICATION INFORMATION

IH 707 Kenya: Field Practicum in Public Health and Environment

May 25 – June 29, 2015

Orientation dates: TBA

Applications will be accepted beginning January 12, 2015 and all applicants must submit documentation by 5:00pm on February 17, 2014. Applications will be reviewed in the order in which they are received, and the first 25 students to accept their offer of admission will be offered a \$3000 Santander Universities Scholarship.

Application Checklist:

- SFS Info Sheet & Essay responses
- Copy of unofficial transcript
- Scanned electronic color passport image
- Scanned electronic passport photos (4)
- SFS Terms and Regulations Contract
- SFS Acknowledgement of Risks Form
- Completed online application form

Please remember to sign and print your name on the SFS Terms & Regulations Contract and SFS Acknowledgment of Risks form.

For clarity, name your files as follows: lastname_SFSInfoSheet.pdf, lastname_transcript.doc, etc.

Before being considered for the Kenya Program, interested persons must submit all above listed application materials by uploading them to the online application form. If you need to access a scanner, GH Reception at CT371 can help you with this.

Directions for creating digital passport pictures: You must create passport photos at the following link: <http://www.epassportphoto.com/>. First, you will upload a headshot of yourself to the website. This can be a scan of a passport photo that you already had taken, or just a picture of yourself against a blank white wall (the website will give basic instructions about this). Next, you will be asked to crop the photo. Use the tool to frame your face in the picture. The next page will offer you a few different shipping and payment options, but we do not want you to order and pay for hard copies of your photos! You can bypass this by clicking a small link in the bottom right hand corner of the page that says, "No thanks." After clicking this link, you will be able to download your array of 4, regulation size passport photos as a .Jpeg (picture) file, save them to your computer, and attach them to your online application. Please contact Ellen Reid at ereid@fieldstudies.org if you have any questions about this process.

The online application form, Terms and Regulations Form, and Acknowledgement of Risks form can be found here: <http://www.bu.edu/ihblast/ih-practicum/kenya-app>

In order to be eligible, students must be in good academic standing at the time of application and must pass the Biostatistics and Epidemiology core courses before departure. Students with a B- or lower grade in either course at spring midterms may be re-evaluated. Those with professional or academic background in epidemiology or statistics may apply to use this in lieu of EP and BS pre-requisites; contact Travis DiJoseph at 617-414-1223 for approval. Undergraduates are not eligible for this program.

NOTE: BUSPH students are not required to provide references and there is no interview involved. IH 707 is a protected course, meaning that students cannot register for it independently. After summer registration opens, accepted applicants will be registered by the SPH Registrar.

BUSPH will grant acceptance by email. Once accepted, candidates will need to complete:

- 1) An online medical approval process
- 2) Complete a Santander Scholarship Request Form, due by March 1, 2014.

The acceptance email will provide details about these requirements and others.

If you require any special medical, physical, religious, dietary, or academic assistance in order to participate in this program, please notify Stacy Song. We need this information **at least 60 days prior to the start date of the program** in order to arrange for appropriate support services. Any information you provide about these needs has no bearing on your admission decision.

Final acceptance into an SFS program is contingent upon medical approval. For more information, go to the SFS Website for information about or medical approval process and to download a Confidential Medical Form:
www.fieldstudies.org.