



Diversity Scholars Leadership Program

The **Diversity Scholars Leadership Program (DSLSP)** supports emerging health professionals from under-represented minority communities who seek to be leaders in the movement to eliminate health and other inequities and the achievement of social justice.

The Aim of DSLP is to create an environment in which underrepresented minority students can flourish, combine their life experience with public health knowledge, and be connected to the wisdom, experience, and guidance of a strong network of alumnae of color and allies who precede them as MCH leaders.



Tuition & Professional Development Support*

Diversity Leadership Scholars for 2020 are awarded a scholarship from the MCH C.O.E. for up to 4 tuition credits per Scholar*. Scholars will also receive a professional development stipend (for attendance at a local or national meeting related to health and justice).

Alumnae Mentoring Each scholar will be matched with a mentor—a person of color who holds an MCH-related leadership position in the Boston area. Many of our mentors are graduates of the MPH/MCH program at BUSPH. Mentors help scholars navigate the complex learning and professional development process inherent in combining academic training, lived experience as a member of a minority community, and a passion for racial and social justice.

Community Building at BUSPH The DSLSP supports students to build relationships with mentors and other students of color at BUSPH. This can occur organically as well as through planned social gatherings, racial justice talking circles, and group mentoring dinner sessions.

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Eligibility

- MPH student in the **Maternal & Child Health Certificate**.
- A member of an under-represented minority group: American Indian or Alaska Native; Black or African American; Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander; Hispanic or Latino; South Asia; Southeast Asia.
- First-generation students are encouraged to apply.

Application

Applications are posted annually in October.

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