Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership Graduate Student Internship Program 2012

The Emory Global Health Institute is pleased to announce the <u>2012 Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership Graduate Student Internship Program</u>. The program will allow graduate students to spend 8 weeks in a Global Health Institute- China Tobacco Control Partnership grantee location engaging in their tobacco control efforts.

Introduction of GHI-CTP and "Tobacco Free Cities" program

Emory's Global Health Institute (GHI), with funding from The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and through the formation of the Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership (GHI – CTP), supports the development of effective, accountable, and sustainable tobacco prevention and control initiatives that address China's unique needs and challenges. China currently has the highest tobacco use prevalence in the world, and recent data shows that there are over 301 million smokers in China, over half of the men smoke, and 7 out of 10 non-smoking adults are exposed to secondhand smoke. Not only does China have the largest population of smokers, it is also the chief producer of tobacco products in the world, with tobacco earnings and excise tax revenues adding billions in national tobacco profits. Accordingly, the tobacco control environment is complex and with great challenges, but also with great potential for prevention.

The GHI-CTP seeks to reduce the health, social, environmental, and economic burdens of tobacco use by increasing the in-country capacity of tobacco control in China by 1) collaborating with public health leaders in China to promote evidence-based approaches tailored to the culture and circumstances by providing grant funding to cities to develop and implement comprehensive tobacco control programs, and 2) providing funding to establish university or research institution-based resource centers designed to increase in-country research, scholarship, and expertise in key tobacco control areas. The GHI-CTP provides funding and support for two grant programs in China, **Tobacco Free Cities** and **Programs of Excellence in Tobacco Control**.

The GHI-CTP **Tobacco Free Cities** grant program focuses on a comprehensive tobacco control approach of preventing initiation, promoting cessation, and eliminating exposure to second-hand smoke. The program was launched in June 2009. Seven cities were funded to build tobacco control programs designed to change the social norms of tobacco use in their cities — Luoyang, Tangshan, Changsha, Qingdao, Ningbo, Shanghai, and Wuxi. Their efforts are focused on creating smoke-free environments, including government workplaces, schools, hospitals, and homes. In July 2010, ten additional cities received funds and support to implement tobacco control efforts — Anshan, Bayannuoer, Changchun, Dalian, Hangzhou, Kelamayi, Nanjing, Nanning, Suzhou, and Yinchuan.

The **Programs of Excellence in Tobacco Control** are an important addition to tobacco control efforts in China and a resource for applied research on best and promising practices in tobacco control, information, resources and materials, training, and scholarship, all with the goal of reducing tobacco use in China. Universities were selected to be **Programs of Excellence in Tobacco Control** based on their potential to build internal university capacity for applied tobacco control research and to be recognized as a national leader in tobacco control research and scholarship.

Five universities were selected for the initiative – including Kunming University, School of Public Health; Yunnan Agricultural University, College of Economics and Management; Tsinghua University Law School; Shanghai Jiao Tong University; School of Public Health; and Shandong University, School of Epidemiology and Health Statistics.

Overview of the GHI-CTP Graduate Student Internship Program

The Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership Graduate Student Internship Program will provide opportunities to qualified students to have an in-country experience with one of our GHI-CTP grantee organizations during the summer 2012. The GHI-CTP grantees will create challenging and rewarding opportunities for the interns to expand their knowledge and skills in public health and tobacco control, while gaining valuable global health experience. In addition, each intern selected will have a mentor from the TFC or POE program.

Upon return from the internship, each intern will deliver a report and presentation about the work he/she completed with the GHI-CTP grantee program. The interns will also have the opportunity to participate in the Global Health Institute Scholars Symposium in the fall 2012.

Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership Graduate Student Internship Program applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Fluent in Chinese (written and verbal)
- Interested in tobacco control
- Student in an advanced degree program
- Completed at least one year of advanced degree program

Applicants with Epidata, Epinfo, SAS and/or SPSS skills are preferred.

Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership Graduate Student Internship Program will provide funds for airfare to and from the host city in China. The EGHI-CTP will also provide a scholarship of \$2000 US per intern. The GHI-CTP grantee organization will be responsible for helping the intern to locate affordable housing in the city.

To apply for the internship, complete the application and submit with your resume via email to Jiang Wu at jwu33@emory.edu no later than **Feb. 29, 2012**. Questions regarding the program or the application process should also be Jiang Wu at jwu33@emory.edu.



Emory Global Health Institute – China Tobacco Control Partnership Graduate Student Internship Program Application

Name
Address
Email
Phone
Educational Background Undergraduate and graduate
areas of study, including school(s)
Languages Spoken Include level of fluency
Specific Skills Epidata, Epinfo, SAS or SPSS skills; interviewing; facilitation; curriculum design; policy analysis; media messaging; health communications; etc.
Any special needs or requests that should be considered?

Statement of Interest

On the following page, please include a statement explaining your interest in tobacco control in China, and how the internship experience will help you achieve your career goals. Please limit your response to 500 words or less.

Please also attach a current resume, a letter of recommendation from a faculty member, and a copy of your unofficial transcript with your application submission.

Application and resume should be submitted to Jiang Wu at <u>jwu33@emory.edu</u> by **Feb. 29, 2012**. Selected applicants will be notified by March 28th, 2012.