PURPOSE

The Latino Fellowship Program is designed to support the development of early-career public health professionals committed to addressing the increasing health disparities faced by a growing Latino population in the United States. One fellowship will be offered each year to a student pursuing his/her Masters of Public Health (MPH) through The Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health (HDPFH).

FELLOWSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility for the fellowship is contingent on admission as a two-year full-time Columbia MPH student in the HDPFH at the Mailman School of Public Health of Columbia University. In addition, to be eligible for the fellowship, applicants must be:

- Conversant in Spanish
- An early-career professional with at least two years of previous work experience with Latino communities in the US and/or a country with a large population of Latino immigrants living in the US
- Committed to working with Latino populations in the US following completion of the degree
- Eligible for Financial Aid.

THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM

The MPH program in the HDPFH prepares students to develop, implement, administer, and evaluate programs and policies within the fields of sexual, reproductive, child, adolescent, and family health and the health of displaced and migrant populations. The Department utilizes a human rights framework, and addresses these areas within a global context. One particular area of focus and collaboration for the Department is the largely Dominican community of Washington Heights, where the Mailman School is located. HDPFH Programs in WH provide rich and varied training opportunities for students. Having worked in the field prior to admission, students bring impressive and diverse experiences in domestic and international health programs to the department and School.

(For more information about the Academic Program: http://publichealth.columbia.edu/academic-departments/population-family-health.)

NOTES

- Students of Latino ethnicity are encouraged to apply
- Individuals with advanced degrees (MD, PhD) are not eligible for the Fellowship
- Candidates may only apply once for Fellowship consideration

WHAT FELLOWS RECEIVE

Fellows will receive half tuition up to the maximum of 60 credits in the Master of Public Health degree at the Mailman School of Public Health in the two-year full-time Columbia MPH program.
**HOW TO APPLY**

Students interested in the fellowship must submit all of the following materials:

- Application for the Latino Fellowship Program by **March 16th, 2018**
  - The application form can be found at the bottom of this page. An emailed version of the application is preferred.
- Application for admission to **Mailman School of Public Health**: [http://publichealth.columbia.edu/apply/how-to-apply](http://publichealth.columbia.edu/apply/how-to-apply)

**SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION OF FELLOWS**

The selection of fellows involves several considerations. After confirming the applicant meets the eligibility criteria for the Fellowship, the Selection Committee considers the applicant’s potential to contribute to the field of public health and commitment to working with Latino populations. The Selection Committee may request an interview with a candidate.

Fellowship applicants can expect to receive notification of the status of their application to the Latino Fellowship Program on or around **April 1, 2018**. Notification of admission to the School is sent separately.

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

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Address:_____________________________________________________________________________________

Daytime Phone:_________________________ Email:_____________________________________________________

1 a. Have you submitted a complete application for admission to the Mailman School of Public Health, Heilbrunn Department of Population and Family Health?

☐ Yes ☐ No Date of submission: _______________________________

1 b. Have you submitted a complete application for Financial Aid?

☐ Yes ☐ No Date of submission: _______________________________

2. Spanish Language Skills -- Check the box that applies for each category.

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3. On a separate sheet, in less than 750 words, describe your previous work experience with Latino communities in the United States, or in countries with a large influx of Latino immigrants to the United States. Describe your career goals and how you believe that an MPH would support these goals.

Candidates are strongly encouraged to submit an essay that is distinct from that submitted with the application to the Mailman School of Public Health.

4. How did you learn about the Fellowship Program?__________________________________________________

A complete application must be emailed or post-marked to the address below no later than March 16th, 2018.

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