

NYU-UG RESEARCH INTEGRITY TRAINING PROGRAM  
FOGARTY INTERNATIONAL CENTER – NIH  
CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

We are pleased to announce that the New York University–University of Ghana Research Integrity Training Program (R25-TW-010886) is now accepting applications for open positions in the third and final cohort of its Fellowship Program in Research Integrity. The Fellowship will begin in Spring 2021.

**PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

The **NYU-UG Research Integrity Training Program** is a collaborative endeavor between NYU and UG, and is funded by the Fogarty International Center, U.S. National Institutes of Health. The Principal Investigator is Arthur L. Caplan, PhD (Division of Medical Ethics, NYU Grossman School of Medicine). The Co-Principal Investigators are Olugbenga Ogedegbe, MD (Department of Population Health, NYU Grossman School of Medicine; NYU School of Global Public Health), and Amos Laar, PhD, MPH, MA (UG School of Public Health). The Program is designed to develop expertise related to research ethics, research integrity, and research governance in Ghana. It consists of the development and implementation of a Fellowship Program in Research Integrity that will be offered to thirty researchers in cohorts of ten over the course of three years, and which will provide the foundation for establishing a sustainable Master’s in Bioethics program at UG School of Public Health.

The **Fellowship Program in Research Integrity** will build research ethics and integrity capacity among a select group of Ghanaian researchers who have successfully completed doctoral-level training in medicine, professional degrees in law, master’s or doctoral degrees public health, nursing, the social sciences, or philosophy, or who are currently enrolled in doctoral programs in these areas. The training will build on Fellows’ previous training in research methods and experience conducting research so that they may expand their understanding of the importance and relevance of research integrity in relation to their work. Skills developed during the Fellowship will enable graduates to play leadership roles in multi-national research teams and research governance.

The Fellowship’s curriculum, developed collaboratively by experts in research ethics at NYU and UG, comprises the following year-long sequence of courses:

- CITI Program Training in Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR)
- Intensive Course #1: History and Philosophical Foundations of Research Ethics
- Intensive Course #2: Research Integrity
- Intensive Course #3: Developing a Collaborative Research Output

All Fellows who successfully complete the Fellowship will receive a Certificate. Exceptional scholars who complete the Fellowship will have the opportunity to pursue a Master’s in Bioethics from the NYU Center for Bioethics, under the direction of S. Matthew Liao, PhD. This opportunity will be available to six Fellows.

**ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:**

Applicants who meet the criteria below are strongly encouraged to apply.

1. *Prerequisite Education.* Applicants must, by fellowship start date, be one of the following:
  - a. graduates of the Cardiovascular Research Training (CaRT) Institute;
  - b. graduates of master's or doctoral programs in public health, nursing, the social sciences, or philosophy, or students currently enrolled in such doctoral programs;
  - c. Physicians in Residency training/clinicians engaged in health sciences research;
  - d. graduates of law schools.
2. *Research Experience.* Applicants must demonstrate a track record of excellence and potential to exhibit leadership in research ethics.
3. *Attendance at Selection Interview.* In February 2021, the Selection Committee will invite selected applicants for selection interviews at the UG SPH or remotely due to COVID-19.

**TO APPLY:**

The submission **deadline** for application is **January 15th, 2021**. Applications should be submitted online at <https://goo.gl/NcbSte>. Complete applications must include the following:

1. *Application Form.* Available at <https://goo.gl/NcbSte>.
2. *Curriculum Vitae.* An up-to-date CV.
3. *Letters of Recommendation.* Two (2) letters of recommendation from faculty who have first-hand knowledge of the applicant's potential for conducting independent research.
4. *Personal Statement.* A Personal Statement indicating the applicant's interests in research ethics and research integrity.
5. *Commitment Statement.* A signed statement indicating that the applicant will attend all required mentorship and program evaluation activities, including the Ghana Research Ethics Network (GREN) conference in Academic Year 2022–23.
6. *Letter of Institutional Support:* A letter from the department chair, or equivalent should accompany each application. The letter must state the following: (a) that the trainee will have access to necessary resources in their institution that will enable them to conduct their research projects; (b) that the trainee will commit at least 30% effort to attend the Intensive Research Courses and all mentoring activities; (c) that the trainee will be granted time off to attend all three Intensive Courses.

**For questions about the application process, please contact the Program Coordinator:**

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