Global Engagement Fellowship
The UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy is recognized as one of the leading schools of pharmacy in the U.S. in training pharmacists and pharmaceutical scientists and is therefore uniquely positioned to expand its education mission and research enterprise globally through strategic partnerships. The enriched educational and research experience of the School’s faculty and students through global engagement should benefit not only the School but also the University and the state of North Carolina. The global reputation of the School will attract the best talent in the world. Of equal importance, there are unmet health-care needs in many parts of the world. The School, through global engagement, assumes a leadership role in humanitarian health-related efforts in underserved countries.

In 2012, the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy made Global Engagement one of seven strategic initiatives in its 2012-2017 strategic plan with two primary objectives:

• Expand the School’s education, research, and practice mission globally
• Initiate and participate in global health care initiatives in partnership with UNC health science schools and other health care institutions

Global Engagement ultimately supports the mission of the school “to develop leaders in pharmacy education, pharmacy practice, and pharmaceutical sciences who make a difference on human health worldwide.” As the world becomes more culturally diverse in a globalized society and economy, it is necessary to train and develop the next generation of globally minded pharmacists by enabling students and faculty members to have a meaningful impact on a global scale. The Global Engagement Fellowship was created in 2013 to help enable the School’s global aspirations and to prepare global pharmacy leaders within academic institutions and healthcare organizations.
Global Engagement Fellowship Structure

The Global Engagement Fellowship is structured as a two-year training program based at the UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy in Chapel Hill, NC. The fellow will work with and report to the Associate Dean for Global Engagement, Dhiren Thakker, PhD, and the Director of Global Engagement, David Steeb, PharmD in performing the following activities:

- Initiate, evaluate, and maintain strategic international partnerships with academic institutions, governments, and health care organizations

- Develop new and evolve current global engagement initiatives (see below)
- Engage key university stakeholders and collaborate with other UNC health affairs schools and UNC Global
- Identify and provide due diligence on global opportunities for students, faculty, and the School
- Assist faculty in developing international relationships
- Serve as a resource for School-based and inter-institutional committees on international initiatives
- Assist in reciprocal visits by UNC and foreign delegations
- Conduct global health and education research with faculty members at UNC and other schools and colleges of pharmacy abroad
- Work with the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health in developing a pharmacy oriented public health course
- Serve as a facilitator and assist in the School’s new PharmD curriculum

Ideal candidates will have an in-depth knowledge of the profession of pharmacy, the ability to build collaborative relationships with diverse and international populations, communication skills, research and/or clinical experience, evidence of leadership, and the desire to make a difference on an international stage. Prior international experience is preferred, but not required. Residency training is also not required, but will be considered.

Going Global

To work in global engagement, one must actually be in a global environment. In this role, the fellow will have opportunities for international travel as part of their fellowship work.
Involvement in Global Engagement Initiatives

The fellow is actively involved in a variety of global engagement initiatives within the university. Current initiatives relate to both the advancement of global health through international partnerships and personal development through scholarship activities.

International Partnerships and Collaborations

PharmAlliance, an official partnership with Monash University and University College London, further advances the School’s global engagement strategic initiative. The fellow has the opportunity to play a role in advancing the development of this alliance in addition to the exploration of a variety of global opportunities with NGOs and other institutions.

Global Pharmacy Scholars (GPS)

The School aspires to provide international Advanced Pharmacy Practice Experiences (APPE) to interested PharmD candidates during their final year through the GPS Program. The fellow communicates with students, coordinates the GPS selection process and orientation, works with our faculty members in exploring scholarship opportunities at each site location, and has the opportunity to precept students internationally.

Global Engagement Advisory Committee

The Global Engagement Advisory Committee (GEAC) was created to review global initiatives, bringing together the input of university faculty, staff, hospital administrators and students. The fellow serves to assist the committee chair in developing and leading monthly committee meetings.

Professional Development

The fellow has an opportunity to apply to either a certificate in Global Health or a certificate in Public Health Leadership through the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health. The certificate program is supported by the fellowship. Additionally, through NC TraCS, the fellow has the opportunity to audit certain courses within the Masters of Clinical Research program.

Scholarship

A vital component of any fellowship is learning to be an independent researcher. As such, the fellow is provided with time and mentors to pursue independent research interests. The fellow develops their own personal scholarship timeline for the two years within this program and works towards accomplishing those goals throughout their time in this role.
Salary and Benefits

Salary:
- Year one: $40,000
- Year two: $42,000

Compensation also includes a standard UNC benefits package, health insurance, support for professional travel and career development as mentioned above.

For more information on benefits, visit the UNC Office of Postdoctoral Affairs at http://postdocs.unc.edu.

Questions?

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To Apply

Recruitment for the Global Engagement Fellow occurs on a biennial basis. The next recruitment cycle will begin Fall/Winter of 2016.

To apply, applicants must submit the following:

- A letter of intent explaining your interest in the fellowship and how it would contribute towards your personal and professional goals
- A curriculum vitae
- A copy of Pharmacy School transcript (A scanned copy of the official transcript can be accepted)
- 3 Letters of recommendation, with at least 2 from professional contacts

Deadline for applications is January 5th, 2017.

Send all application material by email to Miranda Law at mglaw@email.unc.edu