



Global Health Academy – Call for Proposals – Innovative Training Offers

1. Introduction

About the Global Health Academy

The German Alliance for Global Health Research (GLOHRA) is a platform that supports interdisciplinary and collaborative global health research. GLOHRA aims to build an interdisciplinary research community in Germany, strengthen global health research, support young researchers and stimulate intersectoral cooperation.

The Global Health Academy is a GLOHRA initiative that supports the next generation of global health researchers, specifically doctoral students and postdocs from all disciplines. The Academy aims to improve the quality, accessibility and number of global health research trainings.

Development and implementation of innovative offers for global health researchers

GLOHRA members can request funding to develop and conduct training offers for early career global health researchers. Training offers can be aimed at innovation, best practice transfer or scale-up, or consolidation of existing, ground-breaking training activities in global health research. Innovative Training Offers that have been supported by GLOHRA in previous years are eligible for funding.

The proposed training offers must have strong interdisciplinary and international components, e.g. by including lecturers and participants from abroad and promoting networking for early career researchers in global health. Training offers may address relevant transferrable skills such as global health leadership, cooperation with partners outside of research, methods of impact and implementation science. Offers that include critical reflections on participants' ongoing research projects are particularly welcome.

Possible (face-to-face or digital) formats include lectures/workshops (series), summer/winter schools, simulations, trainings, excursions, retreats, and concepts for shaping interdisciplinary, cross-location, intersectoral and/or international collaboration/networking in global health research training. All applications must demonstrate evidence-based relevance for research and orientation towards research. Successful applicants will work closely with the Academy Coordinator who will support the development.



2. Requirements and Criteria

Requirements

- The main applicant must be a full member of GLOHRA. Trainings should address transnational health issues, determinants, and solutions in an interdisciplinary way, covering at least two research areas.¹
- Trainings must have a research focus (as opposed to Global Health education), e.g. encourage new research, create new research perspectives, identify and address critical research areas and/or teach/train horizontal research skills that are essential for global health research.
- Applicants should demonstrate the relevance of the activity for early career researchers, especially GLOHRA members pursuing their doctorate or post-doc.
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to collaborate with GLOHRA members from at least two, ideally more institutions in different cities in the development of the training. Additional non-GLOHRA partners can join the organizing team. Offers that focus on members of a single institution, association or location or on an extremely narrowly defined topic will not be funded.
- Applicants should make an effort to recruit speakers from within GLOHRA where appropriate.

Award criteria

Global Health relevance, scientific quality and originality

- The research training addresses (or lays the groundwork for addressing) a global health need. Applications that focus on research skills and methods, rather than on a certain research topic will be prioritized.
- The research training is aligned with GLOHRA's values and mission and the (inter)national global health agenda.
- The training cannot easily be funded through other programs and mechanisms.
- The research training questions / objectives and learning outcomes are clear.
- The research training concept is coherent and convincing.
- The proposed methods are adequate for addressing the question / objectives of the research training.

Adequacy and feasibility of the work and communication plan, budget, and management procedures.

- The work plan is coherent; tasks and resources are adequate and allocated in a plausible way.
- The proposal aims at producing measurable outcomes that align with the stated objectives.
- The applicants have the operational capacity to carry out the project.

Impact and expected results

¹ GLOHRA's research areas are: (1) biomedicine, (2) public health, (3) social sciences and humanities, (4) engineering and other sciences



- The research training contributes to increasing the number of sustainable, high-quality and high-relevance global health research trainings offered in Germany and access to such trainings everywhere.
- The research training contributes to academic interdisciplinary, cross-institutional and cross-sector network integration across Germany/within GLOHRA.
- Gender and diversity dimensions are appropriately considered (e.g. in team composition, leadership, contents, methods, target populations and outcomes).
- Sustainability dimensions are explicitly considered (e.g. environmental sustainability, sustainable use of results and materials, etc.).

Funding conditions

- Trainings must take place in Germany and/or digitally; awarded funds must be spent in 2024.
- The maximum contribution per activity is EUR 20,000.
- GLOHRA can support activity costs such as room, equipment and catering costs, travel support as well as costs for the development of related IT solutions. For administrative reasons, **funds will not be disbursed to applicants**, but managed by the GLOHRA Secretariat at Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin.
- In duly justified cases, GLOHRA can cover travel costs for a limited number of national and international speakers and/or participants from low and middle-income countries. Applicants are asked to thoroughly weigh the benefits of in-person attendance against the environmental costs and consider alternatives.
- Personnel costs cannot be covered. However, if training occurs over a longer period of time and the applicant team needs coordination support, costs for a student assistant may be covered under certain circumstances. Please contact the Academy Coordinator before including such costs in your proposal.
- Researchers employed by German publicly funded research institutions and especially GLOHRA members should not be paid to speak at GLOHRA events. Fees for external speakers should be based on DAAD rates (DAAD Honorartabelle).
- Content, organization and speaker/participant management is in the hands of the applicant team.

3. Application

- Proposals must be submitted by e-mail to academy@globalhealth.de by the deadline on the website using the application form provided.
- Applicants are encouraged to contact the Academy Coordinator before submitting an application, or even when considering an application. The Secretariat team will be happy to provide feedback and connect you to other GLOHRA members, where possible.



4. Contact

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