Global Health Leadership Opportunities within the CFMS

Are you passionate about health equity and global health?
Do you want to meet and work with colleagues from around the world?

The CFMS Global Health Program (GHP) is inviting applications for the following positions:

CFMS Delegates: International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA)
Annual Meeting, Orhid, Macedonia, 3-9 August 2015.

CFMS-GHP Vision: Recognizing that its members, as future physicians, are uniquely and strategically placed to promote the values of health equity and social responsibility, the CFMS-GHP will strive to empower students with all the tools they may need to grow as global health leaders and global citizens.

Mission: In the spirit of responsible and sensitive global collaboration, we will facilitate ethical global health education, advocacy, action and experiences through coordinated national programming.

Medical students with a strong commitment to global health and social justice are encouraged to apply regardless of their year of medical school. For more information regarding this exciting position, please continue reading. Refer to the last page for how to apply. Applications are due Friday 8 May 2015 at 23:59 EST. This role is an excellent opportunity to get more involved in global health leadership. We look forward to hearing from you!

Sending all my best,

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Abbreviations:
CFMS – Canadian Federation of Medical Students
IFMSA – International Federation of Medical Students’ Associations
GHP – Global Health Program within the CFMS
VP-GH – Vice President Global Health
NO – National Officer (six across Canada)
GHL – Global Health Liaison (at each CFMS medical school)
NOGHE – National Officer of Global Health Education
LOGHE – Local Officer of Global Health Education
NORSR – National Officer of Reproductive and Sexual Health
LORSH – Local Officer of Reproductive and Sexual Health
NORP – National Officer of Human Rights and Peace
GHA – Global Health Advocate
GHAP – Global Health Advocacy Program
NEO – National Exchange Officer
AFMC – Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada
LOR – Local Exchange Officer
NORP – National Officer of Reproductive and Sexual Health
AFMC – Association of Faculties of Medicine of Canada
GHEC – Global Health Education Consortium
CUGH – Consortium of Universities for Global Health
CFMS Delegate to International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA) Meeting, Taiwan, 5th-11th August, 2014.

The Canadian Federation of Medical Students – Global Health Program (CFMS-GHP) is inviting applications to join the CFMS Delegation to the IFMSA Annual Meeting in Orhid, Macedonia, 3rd-9th August, 2015. CFMS will select a small and effective team, and provide partial funding to help support the cost of their return travel to Macedonia.

Position Details
The CFMS is a National Member Organization (NMOs) of the International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA). For CFMS, this is an opportunity to learn from our international neighbours and to help advance global health in light of the post-2015 development agenda.

This year, the theme of the meetings is “Migration of Healthcare Workers”. To learn more the 2015 Annual Meeting in Macedonia and about the IFMSA, visit the IFMSA website (www.ifmsa.org) the conference website (http://www.am2015macedonia.com) and read the meeting description below:

“This is a topic that deeply concerns medical students and their future. During the theme events, several topics are aimed to be discussed: from the lack of proper working conditions and environments to the active recruitment from some countries that is promoting brain drain. The direct implications for medical students and their education today as well as their expectations and concerns for their future and the future of healthcare itself will also be discussed, such as access to specialties, continuous professional development,… and what are the main reasons for the migration of health workers, mainly young medical professionals.” – MMSA-Macedonia

Overview of Responsibilities
a. Attend the IFMSA Annual Meeting in Macedonia, 3rd-9th August 2015.
b. With the mission, vision, and position papers of the CFMS as a guide, represent the CFMS to our colleagues at IFMSA.
c. Work with the VP Global Health and other members of the CFMS-GHP team to prepare our approach in advance of the meetings.
d. Work with the CFMS-GHP team following the meetings to communicate with our colleagues across Canada.
e. Attend and Participate in the online Pre-Departure Training, in order to ensure best representation and preparedness for the meeting.
f. Share your experiences at the meeting by contributing to the Global Health Blog.
Skills Required

- A willingness to learn, including a readiness to learn more about CFMS and IFMSA position papers leading up to the Annual Meeting.
- Skills in leadership and diplomacy, as our delegation will be representing Canadian medical students to the IFMSA, and working across cultures with our international neighbours.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, including a readiness to communicate with colleagues from many different cultures.
- Organization and punctuality, to help ensure a highly effective team.
- A strong commitment to health equity, a commitment that is essential to our work at CFMS and the IFMSA.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Please submit the following in a single MS Word document:

- Full name and email address
- Name of medical school, including current year of study
- Phone number at which you can be reached
- A copy of your current CV (limit 2 pages)

Answer the following questions in less than 100 words each:

1. Why do you want to apply for this position?
2. What experiences have prepared you for the position?
3. What unique strengths and/or skills do you have to offer?
4. How will your participation contribute to CFMS and IFMSA?

DEADLINE: Friday, 08 May 2015 by 23:59 (EST)

Submission details: Email your MS Word single document in attachment format to umhodgso@myumanitoba.ca, with your full name and “CFMS IFMSA Delegate Application” in the subject line.

Selection procedure: All applicants will be reviewed by a panel including a combination of any of the following: the VP Global Health, a National Officer, a CFMS Executive Member, and other member of the Global Health Program team. Following creation of a shortlist, brief telephone interviews may be conducted to determine the successful candidate. Thank you for your application.