



VIETNAMESE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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THE TUNG VAN DINH, M.D. MEMORIAL TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP

I. Purpose:

The scholarship is intended to encourage medical students and residents to learn about health care in developing countries. The funds will support one recipient per year to travel to and complete a project in a developing country.

II. Eligibility:

Any currently enrolled student in an accredited US medical school or a resident in an accredited residency, who is in good standing, may apply.

The accepted project must be conducted as part of the elective curriculum of the medical school or residency. The project must be completed prior to medical school graduation or the end of the residency. If the project is not completed by the deadline, the fund must be returned to the Vietnamese American Medical Association (VAMA) to be used for future scholarships.

III. Process:

1. The student or resident must complete an application (downloaded from the VAMA website) which describes the project, its goals, length of time, etc.
2. An additional essay (1 or 2 pages) is required to further delineate the applicant's goals and the project's influence on his/ her future career plan.
3. A budget must be included (maximum support is US\$2500 per project).
4. At the end of the project, a written report must be completed within 60 days.

IV. Other considerations:

1. Acceptable expenses:
Airfare, room and board, necessary supplies for overseas trip
2. Specific exclusions:
Salary of participants, gifts, expenses incurred by traveling partner, insurance (participant is strongly encouraged to maintain medical school or residency insurance).

3. Any underdeveloped country is an acceptable location for the project. Strong preference is given to projects in Vietnam which are educational in nature and involve public health.
4. Project that includes a research aspect concluding in a publishable manuscript is highly encouraged.

IV. Deadlines: June 1, 2008

V. Selection of scholarship recipient:

1. A Selection committee will select the recipient for the scholarship.
2. The members of the committee will be chosen by the executive committee of the VAMA-USA or their designate. The Committee will consist of no more than 5 members. Two members of the selection committee will necessarily be members of the family of Dr. Tung Van Dinh, or their designate.

APPLICATION FOR THE TUNG VAN DINH, M.D. SCHOLARSHIP

Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Contact phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Current status: Medical Student: _____; Resident: _____

College: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Year of graduation: _____

Medical school: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Year of graduation (or anticipated): _____

Residency (if applicable): _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Fax: _____

Year of graduation (or anticipated): _____

PROPOSED STUDY:

Name of Proposal: _____

Proposed location (be as specific as possible): _____

Purpose of study (please attach additional page if necessary): _____

Duration of Study: _____

Estimated budget (please include itemized estimates on a separate paper): \$_____

Please send with your application the following items:

1. Your CV
2. A brief essay (1 or 2 pages) discussing your proposed study and its possible effect on your future career plan
3. An estimated budget listing itemized costs.
4. At least two (maximum five) references, along with their contact information.

I hereby authorize the VAMA and any of its designated officers/agents to verify the information provided/included in this application.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please send the application and all of its supported documents to:

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