

Applicant Webinar

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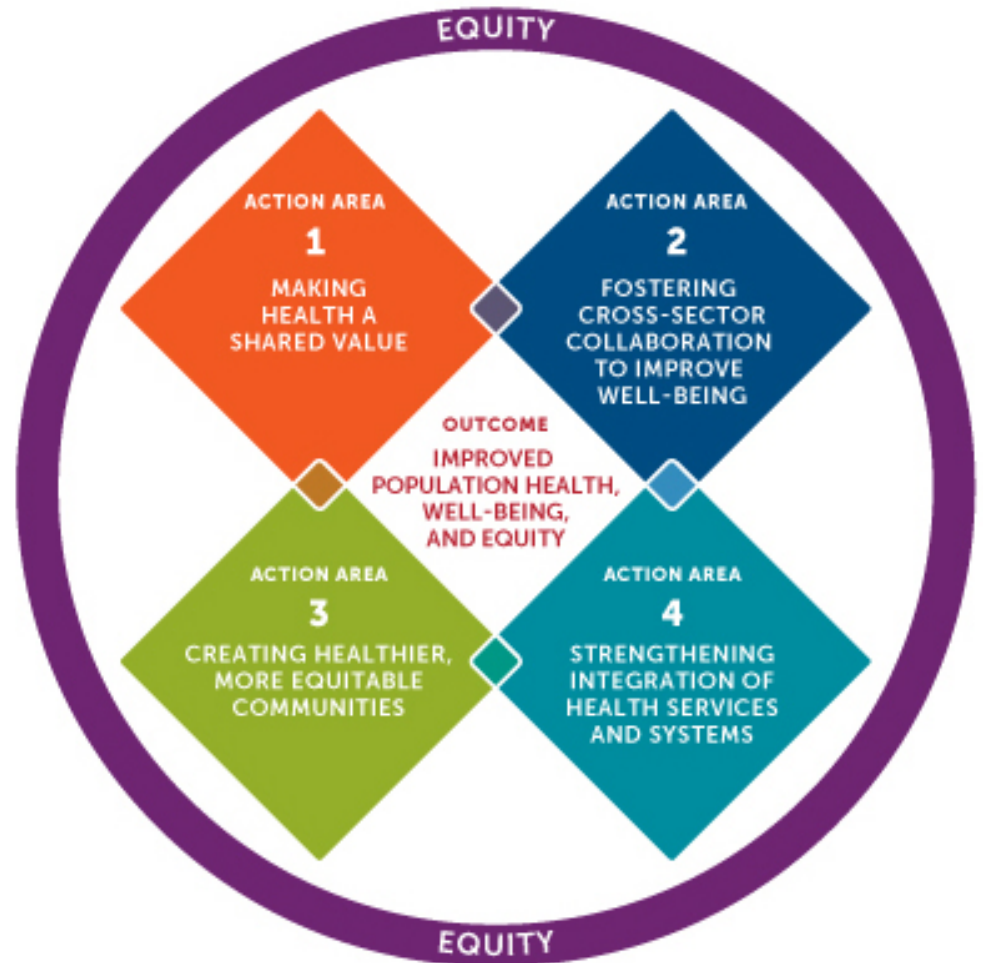
Lydia Isaac, PhD, Executive Director

A National Movement: Building a Culture of Health

- Creates a society where every person has an equal opportunity to live the healthiest life they can—whatever their ethnic, geographic, racial, socioeconomic, or physical circumstance happens to be
- Embraces a more integrated, comprehensive approach to health
- Encompasses both health care and the many other critical factors that impact people's health: early childhood development, education, housing, jobs, and the built environment
- Seeks leaders frustrated with status quo and eager to take leadership to next level

Being in HPRS means learning from and collaborating with a passionate group of emerging scholars representing a diverse range of fields. Collectively we are committed to advancing health equity and building a Culture of Health.

- Valerie Taing, PhD student in Social Work and Sociology, University of Michigan



Leadership Programs

HEALTH POLICY
RESEARCH SCHOLARS

INTERDISCIPLINARY
RESEARCH LEADERS

CULTURE OF HEALTH
LEADERS

CLINICAL
SCHOLARS

www.rwjf.org/changeleaders

HEALTH POLICY RESEARCH SCHOLARS

Health Policy Research Scholars



Seeking Leaders Who...

- Are interested in applying their own discipline-based research to affect health policy
- Prioritize health equity, diversity, and inclusion
- Work collaboratively across sectors
- Embrace lifelong learning, complexity, risk-taking
- Are ready to take their leadership and influence to the next level

By the Numbers...

5

Year Program

Up to
50

Scholars Selected

2nd

Year Students

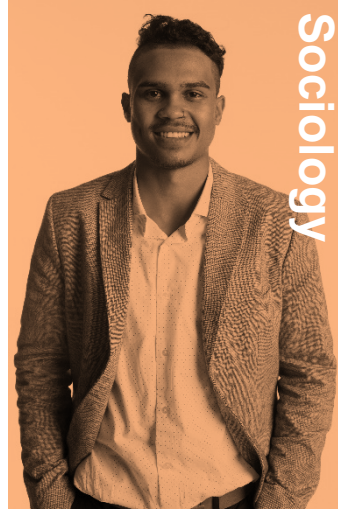
\$30,000

Annual Stipend

\$10,000

Dissertation
Grants

Who Are Our Scholars?



Applicants must be:

- Second-year doctoral students in research-focused programs
- From an underrepresented populations and/or disadvantaged backgrounds
- Enrolled full time in U.S. institution
- Interested in health policy and interdisciplinary approaches to build a Culture of Health

*Manka Nkimbeng, PhD student in
Nursing, Johns Hopkins University*



Virtual Experiences

Online Courses

- During the fall and spring semesters
- Combination of recordings and live sessions

Online Portal

- Communicate with Scholars, staff, and mentors

*Katherine Gutierrez, PhD
student in Economics, New
Mexico University*



In-Person Experiences

Fall Institute

- For first-year Scholars
- Mentors attend

RWJF Leadership Institute

- Cross-program meeting for all four leadership programs

Summer Institute

- For first- through third-year Scholars
- Optional writing workshop in fourth-year

Preparing Doctoral Scholars as Leaders

The HPRS Program has several key components, including:

- A comprehensive **Scholar Curriculum** that includes courses in health policy, health equity, population health
- Opportunities to network and learn face-to-face, through the **Summer Institute** and **Other In-Person Meetings**
- Robust **Leadership Training**
- A **Mentorship Program** that creates a team of mentors to support Scholars in the program
- Competitive **Dissertation Support** and writing workshops
- **Collaboration with Leaders** from various fields

Scholar Curriculum

Health Policy

During the fall and spring semesters, Scholars will participate in online courses taught by leaders in the field.

Health Equity

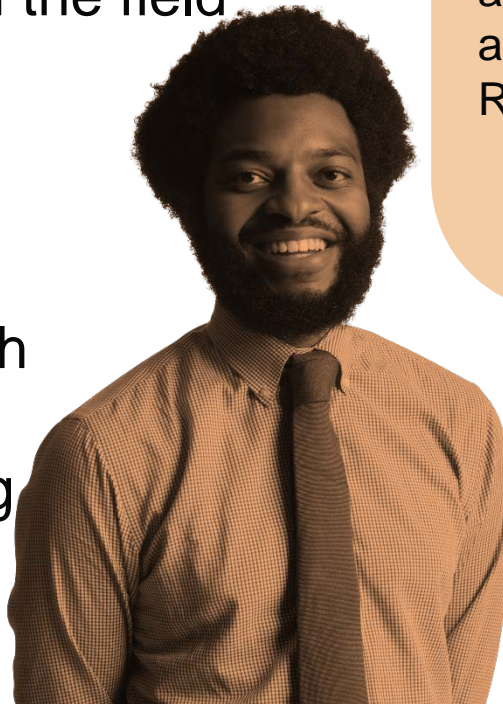
Population Health

- Year One: Theory and Policy Fundamentals
- Year Two: Policy Analysis, Translation, and Dissemination
- Year Three: Focus on Leadership
- Year Four: Seminars on Health Policy and Leadership

Scholar Curriculum

The Online Courses are:

- Held one evening per week and are typically 60-90 minutes
- Led by experts in the field
- A combination of lecture and discussion-style
- Intended to enrich and build on Scholars' existing coursework in their fields



Making a Culture of Health a shared value can only be done when all stakeholders and citizens have the same access to the same tools and data to shape their individual lives and policy as those in leadership positions. Giving everyday folks accessible tools to activate their leadership is why I am a part of the Health Policy Research Scholars program.

- Jovan Julian, PhD Student in
Operations Research, Georgia
Institute of Technology

Summer Institute

During two to three weeks over the summer, Scholars will have the opportunity to:

- Learn from policymakers and other experts in the field
- Work collaboratively with their peers on presentations, writing assignments, and problem sets
- Explore our nation's capital

The Summer Institute gave me an unparalleled opportunity to learn from and share ideas with esteemed leaders, activists, professors, and practitioners outside of my field.

— Andrew Anderson, PhD student in Health Services Administration, University of Maryland



Other In-Person Meetings

While the Summer Institute is the longest and most in-depth in-person learning experience, there are several meetings during the program.

- **Fall Institute** – for First-Year Scholars and their Mentors
- **RWJF Leadership Institute** – For all Scholars and for Leaders in the three related Leadership programs
- Various Conferences – meetings and special events are often scheduled to coincide with health policy-related conferences (*these meetings are typically optional*)

Leadership Training

The HPRS program weaves Leadership Training throughout the five years, with a more intense focus during the second and third years.



*Electa Leigh Hare-Redcorn, PhD student in
Community Development, University of Arkansas*

Leading Using
an Equity Lens

Writing for
Different
Audiences

Public
Speaking and
Image

Professional
Development

Transformative
Leadership

RWJF
Leadership
Network

Mentorship Program

Home Institution Mentors

- Receive mentorship training and support
- Network with and learn from other mentors
- Attend the Fall Institute and participate in webinars

Coaches

- Provide health policy and translation expertise
- Work in diverse fields and sectors

HPRS Faculty and Staff

- Provide an informal mentor relationship on an as needed basis
- Help manage the mentorship team



Regina Fuller, PhD student in Educational Policy Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dissertation Support

Scholars entering their dissertation phase in the second or third years of the program are eligible to apply for a competitive dissertation grant of up to \$10,000.

Scholars who apply must have passed their proposal defense and have a dissertation that is related to building a Culture of Health.

Grants may be used to support data acquisition and analysis, travel costs, and other research support.

Interested in Applying?

- Review the Applicant Check List
- Note Important Dates on the Timeline
- Check out the Helpful Resources



*Mario Alberto Viveros Espinoza, PhD Student,
Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara*

Applicant Check List

- ☐ Start an application (www.rwjf.org/cfp/hprs3)
- ☐ Complete your eligibility, contact, and demographic information
- ☐ Reach out to your advisor(s) or a faculty member(s) to serve as your Home Institution Mentor(s)
- ☐ Share important dates and application information with your mentor(s)
- ☐ Reach out to a second person for a letter of reference
- ☐ Begin your applicant essays
- ☐ Update your CV
- ☐ Mark your calendar – Applications are Due on **March 14 at 3 pm ET**

2018 Timeline

DATE	EVENT
March 14 (3 pm ET)	Applications Due
March 26–April 16	Applications Reviewed
Late April	Semifinalists Notified
April 30–May 25	Semifinalist Applicant Interviews
Mid-June	Finalists Notified
July 11	Deadline for Finalist Supplemental Materials
September 1	Program Begins
October 5–7	Fall Institute (Required in-person meeting for Scholars and their Home Institution Mentors)
January 11–15, 2019	RWJF Leadership Institute (Required in-person meeting for Scholars)

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