

Shape the Future of Medicine Through Clinical Research Excellence

Global Clinical Scholars Research Training
Certificate Program

"Harvard Medical School's Global Clinical Scholars Research Training certificate program offers scientists from around the world advanced training in the knowledge and skills necessary to conduct high-impact clinical research. Our goal is to help you get to the next stage of your career."

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About the Program

Advances in medical treatment and health care innovation stem from high-quality clinical research and the expertise of well-trained researchers. Harvard Medical School's Global Clinical Scholars Research Training program provides advanced education for clinicians and clinician scientists worldwide who seek to deepen their skills and expand their impact on clinical research and health care outcomes.

Scholars emerge prepared to design and implement observational and experimental studies, craft successful grant proposals, analyze and interpret complex data, and apply their expertise as leaders in clinical research. Drawing on advanced training in epidemiology, biostatistics, research ethics, and emerging methodologies, participants develop the knowledge and confidence to translate data into discoveries that improve patient care globally.

Program Format

This year-long program employs an immersive learning model that integrates three intensive multi-day workshops, virtual seminars, faculty-guided review sessions, collaborative group work, and an individual capstone project. Scholars should expect to spend an average of 7-10 hours per week on coursework.

This hybrid-learning approach includes:

- 3 intensive workshops
- Interactive webinars
- Self-paced online lectures in between workshops
- Team project
- · Individual capstone project

Who Should Apply

The Global Clinical Scholars Research Training program is designed for early-to-mid-career clinicians who are currently working in clinical research at the faculty level or equivalent.

Candidates holding an MD, PhD, MBBS, DMD, DDS, PharmD, DNP, or equivalent degree are well-suited for this program. Past participants have included chief physicians, directors, fellows, scientists, and specialists—most have authored or contributed to research publications; all have demonstrated strong interest in enhancing and advancing their careers by gaining clinical research skills.

Program Objectives

- Design and conduct both observational and experimental clinical research
- Analyze, interpret, and present clinical research data effectively
- Write and refine successful grant proposals
- Lead clinical teams in diverse health care settings

"We have a vibrant community of individuals at the forefront of clinical research, and being part of this network opens doors to collaboration, mentorship, and lifelong connections across our global community."