



Scholarly Projects

Participants are required to complete a faculty-mentored scholarly project on a global health topic of their choosing. Scholarly projects can be conducted locally or internationally and can take many forms, including:

- Hypothesis-driven research project
- Case study/series
- Advocacy
- Needs assessment
- Operations research
- Educational project

2022-2023 Leadership

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The BRIGHT Pathway
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The BRIGHT Mission

In today's world, the importance of training in global health cannot be overstated. In 2007, the BRIGHT Pathway was developed by several Brown residents who recognized the need for a more in-depth experience surrounding international medical work. The program grew as a means to support residents with a special interest in making global health a part of their career. This pathway combines didactic training through a formalized 2-year global health curriculum with mentored scholarly projects. Graduating residents receive a certificate upon graduation.

Quarterly Meetings

Quarterly evening meetings are held for all BRIGHT participants and often feature guest speakers. These meetings provide opportunities for residents to discuss the curriculum, network, and present their research progress.

BRIGHT is a resident-driven collaboration between multiple specialties: Internal medicine, Pediatrics, Med/Peds, Neurology, Ob-Gyn, Family medicine, and Emergency medicine

International Sites

Residents have participated in global health opportunities in multiple sites. Your program's faculty director can provide you with a more extensive list of locations:

Dominican Republic
Guatemala
Haiti
Ecuador
Belize
India
Bangladesh
Kenya
Rwanda
Ukraine
Zambia

Many BRIGHT residents have also focused their scholarly project on the unique needs of diverse populations in Rhode Island.



BRIGHT Curriculum

- Malnutrition
- Malaria
- Child and Adolescent Health
- Maternal Health and Obstetric Emergencies
- Family Planning
- Injury Prevention
- Mental Health
- Preventive Medicine
- HIV/AIDS/Opportunistic Infections
- Tuberculosis
- Diarrheal Disease
- Refugee and Immigrant Health
- Human Rights and Advocacy
- Decolonizing Global Health
- Ethical and Cross-Cultural Concepts
- The Role of International Organizations
- Incorporating Global Health into your Career
- Navigating the international IRB process
- Preparing for a Global Health Elective
- Travel Medicine