

# Call for Nominations: CIRA International Visiting Fellow Program 2018

The Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS (CIRA) at Yale University seeks letters of nomination for the International Visiting Fellow Program. The primary purpose of the program is to support a CIRA scientist who is engaged in HIV research in an international setting to bring an established partner research scientist or a desired partner researcher to Yale for a short visit (up to 9 days) to work on collaborative HIV research endeavors and to provide a structured opportunity for the visiting fellow to interact with others in CIRA's HIV research community through roundtable discussions and/or forums for the fellow to present their research.

CIRA sponsored four international scholars in spring <u>2016</u>, and four scholars in spring <u>2017</u> working with CIRA affiliates who are Yale faculty at the Schools of Public Health, Medicine and Nursing. CIRA plans to sponsor a third International Visiting Fellow Program and support four visiting fellows with individual awards in the amount of \$6000.

## CRITERIA THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED IN THE SELECTION OF SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES

- The aims for the visit and anticipated outcomes regarding advancement of international research collaborations should fit within CIRA's mission to support innovative, interdisciplinary research that combines behavioral, social, and biomedical approaches focused on the implementation of HIV prevention and treatment and the elimination of HIV disparities
- The stage of the existing research partnership and readiness of the visiting fellow to engage in productive research development activities while at CIRA
- The research experience level of the visiting fellow and ability to present on topics of interest and benefit to CIRA's HIV research community
- Visiting fellow must have citizenship or permanent residency in a country in regions with the highest burden of HIV/AIDS (<u>Eastern and Southern Africa</u>, <u>Western and Central Africa</u>, <u>Asia and the Pacific</u>, <u>Eastern</u> Europe and Central Asia) and resulting research collaborations must be situated in these locations
- Feasibility of arranging and conducting the visit in April 2018
- Costs relating to the visit are within the allowable budget
- Visiting fellow and Yale faculty host must commit to participate in the program's evaluation activities:
  - 1. Participate in post-visit evaluation surveys
  - 2. Submit a joint report summarizing activities and follow-up plans at the end of the visit
  - 3. Submit joint follow-up reports at 6-month and 12-month after the visit
  - 4. Participate in virtual meetings at 6-month and 12-month after the visit

### LETTER OF NOMINATION

Yale faculty host must address the above criteria in your written nomination and be sure to include the name, credentials, geographic/institutional location of the nominee, and anticipated dates of the visit. The length of visit should last no longer than 9 days. The budget will typically include a \$1000 honorarium, travel costs (an economy airplane ticket and other transportation costs), hotel, and a per diem for meals.

### ELIGIBILITY

CIRA affiliates who are Yale faculty members are eligible to apply for this opportunity. This is a competitive call with a preference for new visiting fellows hosted by Yale faculty who have not previously participated in the program.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Letter of nomination and visiting fellow's current CV must be submitted by 5:00 pm on Monday, January 29, 2018 to <u>dini.harsono@yale.edu</u>. Awards will be announced in early February 2018. If you have any questions, please contact program coordinator Dini Harsono (<u>dini.harsono@yale.edu</u>) or 203-764-8454.