# Global Health Leadership Opportunities within the CFMS

Are you passionate about health equity and international health?

Do you want to meet and work with colleagues from around the world?



The Canadian Federation of Medical Students (CFMS) is inviting applications for the following positions:

CFMS Delegates: International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA) March Meeting in Portorož, Slovenia from March 1st-7th 2019

**CFMS-GHP Vision**: Recognizing that its members, as future physicians, are uniquely and strategically placed to promote the values of health equity and social responsibility, the CFMS-GHP will strive to empower students with all the tools they may need to grow as global health leaders and global citizens.

**Mission**: In the spirit of responsible and sensitive global collaboration, we will facilitate ethical global health education, advocacy, action and experiences through coordinated national programming.

Interested medical students are encouraged to apply regardless of their year of medical school, CFMS, or IFMSA experience.

# Applications are due Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 23:59 EST Application form: <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/bUkJkelkq1indVcW2">https://goo.gl/forms/bUkJkelkq1indVcW2</a>

This is an excellent opportunity to get more involved in global health leadership. We look forward to hearing from you!

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## CFMS Delegate to International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA) Meeting,

Portorož, Slovenia, March 1st-7th 2019

The Canadian Federation of Medical Students is inviting applications to join the CFMS Delegation to the IFMSA General Assembly in Portorož, Slovenia March 1-7, 2019. CFMS will select a small and effective team, and provide partial funding to help support the cost of their travel.

#### **Position Details**

The CFMS is a National Member Organization (NMOs) of the International Federation of Medical Student Associations (IFMSA). For CFMS, this is an opportunity to learn from our international neighbours and to help advance global health in light of the WHO post-2015 development agenda.

To learn more of the 2019 General Assembly and about the IFMSA, visit the IFMSA website (<a href="www.ifmsa.org">www.ifmsa.org</a>), the IFMSA blog (<a href="https://ifmsa.org/category/news/">https://ifmsa.org/category/news/</a>), and the Montreal general assembly page (<a href="https://www.mm2019slovenia.com/">https://www.mm2019slovenia.com/</a>).

### **Overview of Responsibilities**

- a. Attend the IFMSA General Assembly in Portorož, March 1-7 (exact schedule pending).
- b. With the mission, vision, and position papers of the CFMS as a guide, represent the CFMS to our colleagues at IFMSA.
- c. Work with the CFMS Head of Delegation and other members of the CFMS-GHP team to prepare our approach in advance of the meetings.
- d. Work with the CFMS-GHP team following the meetings to communicate with our colleagues across Canada.

### **Skills Required**

- A willingness to learn, including a readiness to learn more about CFMS and IFMSA position papers leading up to the Annual Meeting.
- Skills in leadership and diplomacy, as our delegation will be representing Canadian medical students to the IFMSA, and working across cultures with our international neighbours.
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills, including a readiness to communicate with colleagues from many different cultures.
- Organization and punctuality, to help ensure a highly effective team.

- A strong commitment to health equity, a commitment that is essential to our work at CFMS and the IFMSA.
- A basic understanding of what comprises an ethical exchange program, particularly as they pertain to Canadian medical students doing exchanges in International settings.

#### **FAQs**

#### How much funding is available?

- 1. Registration fee (including meeting registration, accommodation, and food) will be covered for all CFMS delegates.
- 2. Participants will be required to pay for transportation up front and then submit receipts for reimbursement.
- 3. Participants will be required to obtain a visa, travel insurance, etc.

Applicants are encouraged to seek out other sources of funding for the meeting.

#### Do I have to have been involved in the CFMS or IFMSA before to apply?

No, we encourage all applicants to apply regardless of prior experience.

#### I have an exam (wedding, graduation, etc), can I come a day late to the meeting?

No. We have >25 applicants every year and thus this would not be fair to the delegates who can make the entire meeting. If you require a letter for your school certifying that you are attending this meeting so that you can reschedule an exam, please email Michelle at <a href="mailto:globalhealth@cfms.org">globalhealth@cfms.org</a>. Do this ASAP.

#### How are applications reviewed?

Applications will be anonymized and scored by CFMS representatives. Top applicants will be asked to interview with Michelle Quaye, CFMS Director Global Health, via a short 10 minute phone call (Timing TBD).

#### What will I be doing at the meeting?

All delegates will represent Canadian medical students on one of the IFMSA standing committees (<a href="https://ifmsa.org/standing-committees-2/">https://ifmsa.org/standing-committees-2/</a>). They will participate in small working groups, position paper generation, project development, etc. Additionally, they will be responsible for reviewing some of the documents that will be voted on in the plenary sessions. Finally, they will be expected to help the CFMS national exchange officers review potential exchange positions for Summer 2020.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE**

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Thanks for your interest!

