The goal of MHIRT program is to mentor students from underrepresented communities to pursue careers in biomedical sciences by providing exposure and training in global health programs and global health research.

**Program Details**

Students receive mentored research training during a 10-12 week international experience, usually over the summer.

- Living stipend support
- Round-trip airfare, housing and travel related expenses.
- Thorough preparation prior to travel and continued mentoring after travel.

**Eligibility Criteria**

U.S. citizens and permanent residents from one of the “health disparity” communities, as defined by the NIH (racial/ethnic, low-income, or from a rural background) may apply. Please visit the [program website](#) for complete details and definitions. The majority of the selected students are undergraduates, with limited slots available for master’s students, doctoral students and medical students.

Prior research and international travel experiences are not required.

Please contact Eileen Caffrey Wright (Eileen_Caffrey@brown.edu) with any questions and visit [MHIRT website](#) for more information.

**MHIRT COUNTRIES**

Brazil, Ghana, Haiti, India, Mexico, The Philippines, Samoa, Ukraine

Countries and sites vary from year to year based on research and mentor availability.

"The MHIRT provided me with a very real experience of what it's like to work abroad within the larger framework of global health. It showed me why it's so important to continue to do this work and invest in communities/areas that have limited resources. It also connected me with several faculty/colleagues that I have kept in touch with and will eventually work with in some capacity."

- 2015 Brown MHIRT Student