A Vision for a Healthier World

The Takemi Program in International Health seeks to improve health and health systems around the world by welcoming mid-career health professionals and scholars to the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health to conduct path breaking research and develop their leadership skills.

Takemi Fellows examine problems of mobilizing, allocating, and managing scarce resources to improve health, and of designing effective strategies for disease control and prevention and health promotion, with a focus on low and middle-income countries.

Our global network of Fellows provides the collaborative basis for advancing better policies through national and international institutions to support the Takemi Program's vision for a healthier world.



In the Program we amplify and focus the energies of our Fellows to sustain a cascade of positive changes. While at Harvard, Fellows build their capacities through collaborations with our faculty, participation in Program activities, and access to the University's many resources.

When Fellows return to their countries or institutions, they bring new ideas and enhanced skills to research, policy, and implementation challenges. They also carry with them the vast strength of our worldwide alumni network. These advantages support their transition to senior leadership roles and international prominence. It is through this process that the Takemi Program advances global health.

-Dr. Jesse Bump, Executive Director of the Takemi Program.

The Fellowship Year

Each year the program recruits a small group of mid-career researchers and professionals to spend an academic year at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health. The Takemi Program provides participants with the space, time, and flexibility to enhance their capacity for research and leadership. To do this, Fellows are linked to two key resources: the weekly Takemi Seminar Series, and expert faculty. In addition, Fellows have the opportunity for collaboration throughout the Harvard community, and may elect to deepen their knowledge of theory or practice through relevant coursework. Fellows draw on these resources to produce at least one paper of publishable quality.



The Takemi Program holds a special place in the Harvard Chan School community, bringing together highly-accomplished mid-career Fellows, supporting them to enhance their capacities, and empowering them to achieve global impact.

-Dr. Michelle A. Williams, Dean of the Faculty, Harvard T. H. Chan School of Public Health

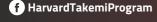
Our Legacy

The program was established in 1983 and is named after Dr. Taro Takemi, the distinguished physician-scientist who served for more than 25 years as the president of the Japan Medical Association. It was founded on the principle that seeking new knowledge through research is essential to human improvement. To date, 271 Fellows from 54 countries have trained in the Takemi Program.

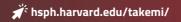


The 34th Takemi Cohort, leadership team, and Harvard Faculty visit the Japanese Consul General's Residence: Ikuko Michii, Consul-General Michii, Tuba Agartan, Emily Coles (Program Coordinator), Mahlet Habtemariam, Michael Reich (Taro Takemi Research Professor), Barbara Reich, Marcia Castro, Dean Karen Emmons, Jesse Bump (Executive Director), Stéphane Verguet, Hwa-Young Lee, Mika Kunieda, Sujata Saunik, Irineu Rigotti, Seungman Cha, Roland Pongou, Yoshie Katahara.

Additional information available here.











Eligibility Requirements:



Have completed a graduate degree



Have significant work and research experience, including publications in internationally recognized journals



Have demonstrated potential leadership capacity in their home countries



Strong promise and appropriate preparation (including facility of English)

For more information, please contact the Takemi Program at takemi@hsph.harvard.edu to learn more.

Application Process:

Please complete the online application available here.

