Who can participate in the honors program?
Students in good academic standing that are committed to improving the health of underserved communities.

What are the M1 requirements for students enrolled in the honors program?
M1 students are required to participate in the seminar series lectures and curricular events. Students are required to complete a minimum of 4 weeks of field experience during the summer of M1 year in order to meet the field experience requirements for the honors program.

Does participation in the CGH Honors Program preclude participation in the Bioethics Honors Program?
Students are able to participate in the Global Health Honors program and the Bioethics Honors Program concurrently. Students must complete requirements for both programs and should also plan on completing two separate scholarly projects for each program.

What if I am not able to complete the program?
Students who withdraw or become ineligible to complete the program will not have any annotation added to their transcripts for this program. All students on campus are welcome to participate in most components of the program, including the Seminar Series, Scholarly Project and most Field Experience Offerings. All M4 students are eligible to complete a local or international underserved elective.

Are domestic opportunities eligible for Field Experience?
Yes. Domestic opportunities in low-resource or culturally diverse settings are accepted and encouraged. Students must request approval prior to completing a field experience that may fulfill program requirements.

Do students receive financial resources to support their research or field experience throughout the program?
Yes, students are eligible to apply for the annual Global Field Experience Grant during M2-M4 year to assist in completion of the Scholarly Project and their non-credit field experience. All M4 students enrolled in a CCGH underserved local or international elective are also eligible for financial support.

Does my volunteer work count toward the Field Experience requirement of the program?
Maybe. Field Experience requires an immersive commitment at a local or international organization working with underserved populations. Drop-in volunteering or community activities that do not demonstrate a consistent commitment are not approved for Field Experience. Students who request prior approval may be eligible for 1-week of field experience per each 100 hour tracked at one volunteer agency. Multiple shorter experiences cannot be combined.
Will CCGH plug me into a research project and faculty mentor?

CCGH will provide students with a list of Loyola faculty mentors and Scholarly Project opportunities. Some projects on this list are structured so that students may “plug in.” Others on the list are faculty who are open to mentoring students’ independent projects based on mutual interests. These lists are not exclusive, and students are expected to take the initiative for developing and completing their projects.

I participated in research at my previous institution. Will I be able to continue this work as my Scholarly Project?

It may be possible to continue your work focused on underserved populations and apply this research toward your Scholarly Project. All projects, including those focused at another institution, must include a Loyola faculty mentor.