



Johns Hopkins Gupta- Klinsky India Institute

Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award Resource Guide



Welcome & Congratulations

Dear GKII Student Fellows,

Congratulations on being selected as recipients of the prestigious **Gupta-Klinsky India Institute (GKII) Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award (GHRSTA)**!

The GKII Team commends your dedication to advancing global health through research and your commitment to engaging with diverse communities around the world. GKII is honored to partner with JHU's Center for Global Health through the Global Health Established Field Placements (GHEFP) program to fund your travel to India for international research and field work.

As you embark on this journey to India, we want to offer words of wisdom and inspiration for your international travel. India is a land of rich culture, profound history, and vibrant traditions. Embrace the diversity you will encounter and approach each experience with an open mind and a willingness to learn. Engage with locals, immerse yourself in the customs and rituals, and allow yourself to be transformed by the beauty of this remarkable country.

This handbook has been developed to provide you with essential resources for your travel and research endeavors. Within its pages, you will find valuable information on logistics, cultural etiquette, international travel resources, and reporting procedures as a GKII Student Fellow. In addition to your GHEFP information sessions, we encourage you to familiarize yourself with its contents and utilize it as a guide as you prepare for your time in India and upon your return.

As you embark on this transformative journey, remember that you are not only representatives of Johns Hopkins University and GKII, but also ambassadors of curiosity and collaboration. Your contributions can make a meaningful impact on global health outcomes, and we have confidence in your ability to rise to the challenge.

Once again, congratulations on this remarkable achievement! We wish you all the best as you embark on this incredible adventure with the support of the Gupta-Klinsky India Institute (GKII) at Johns Hopkins and our generous grant donors.

We are excited to feature your learnings and accomplishments with our JHU Community!

Sincerely,

GKII Program Team

Gupta-Klinsky India Institute (GKII) at Johns Hopkins



Student Resources

1 AWARD INFORMATION

Congratulations again on your Global Health Established Field Placement (GHEFP) in India! We are delighted to share that your \$3,500* GHEFP travel grant is sponsored by the Gupta-Klinsky India Institute (GKII) at Johns Hopkins University and its GKII Girish and Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award! As such, you are now a joint GHEFP-GKII Fellow.

As you know, the travel grant is being awarded to cover expenses such as airfare for travel to India, internal travel related to your fellowship, and living expenses that you may incur while in country.

If not done so already, to officially accept this GKII award, please review the Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award Terms and complete the [Online Acceptance Form](#).

We look forward to supporting your international academic and practicum endeavors and to featuring your learnings and takeaways from the experience as a member of our esteemed JHU India community.

Again, we'd like to extend our sincerest congratulations to you! We wish you all the success in the important work you are going to undertake through this grant and beyond.

1.1 PROGRAM DETAILS

[Global Health Established Field Placements \(GHEFP\) | Johns Hopkins Center for Global Health](#)

For information on the CHG GHEFP application process, CGH grant requirements, and funding, please contact the JHU Center for Global Health Student Grants Coordinator: bsph.ghgrants@jhu.edu.

[Gupta-Klinsky India Institute \(GKII Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Awards\)](#)

Visit the [GKII Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award website](#) for program information, GKII reporting requirements, and past awardee projects. For questions about GKII educational programs, contact the GKII Program Team at jhii@jh.edu.



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Program Learning Objectives:

- Assess the effectiveness of public health interventions and policies in diverse cultural settings.
- Utilize data collected during field experiences to draw meaningful conclusions and make evidence-based recommendations.
- Apply research methodologies to design and implement a global health research project in collaboration with local partners in India.
- Reflect on personal and professional growth based on the experience in India, including insights gained, skills acquired, and challenges overcome.
- Analyze how the fellowship experience has influenced perspectives on global health issues and cultural competence, and how these insights will inform future academic and professional pursuits.
- Evaluate the significance of the co-curricular learning experience in shaping career aspirations, research interests, and commitments to global health equity.
- Create a plan for integrating lessons learned from the experience into future academic and professional endeavors, demonstrating a commitment to lifelong learning and ethical global engagement.

2 PROGRAM RESOURCES

2.1 CENTER FOR GLOBAL HEALTH TRAVEL RESOURCES ~ GRANT RECIPIENTS

The JHU Center for Global Health (CGH) offers a wealth of [global health travel resources](#) for grant recipients to prepare for international field work. Review the resources for Global Health Established Field Placements (GHEFP) and plan to attend GHEFP information sessions for awardees.

2.2 GKII STUDENT FELLOW RESOURCE “HUB”

GKII has developed a [Student Fellow Resource “Hub”](#) to provide a centralized platform for all students participating in GKII’s Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award (GHRSTA) program. This “hub” offers additional resources for travel to India, GHRSTA program timelines, and online forms to submit your final grant report and post-program evaluation.

2.3 GKII WEBSITE

As a GKII student fellow, we invite you to explore [GKII’s website](#) and subscribe to GKII’s [email newsletter](#) to stay up to date with Johns Hopkins India news and program opportunities. We look forward to featuring your accomplishments with our JHU community!



3 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS & REPORTING FORMS

3.1 PRE-TRIP:

3.1.1 GKII Student Acceptance & Undertaking Form

[GKII Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award Information & Acceptance Form](#)

JHU Students matched to CGH GHEFP India Placement Sites must complete GKII's Student Award Recipient Information Form and confirm their acceptance of GKII's Girish and Himangi Rishi Travel Award (GHRSTA) to receive GKII's travel grant funding. Review the GHRSTA Student Information [Online Form](#) and [GHRSTA requirements](#) upon receiving your award offer. Feel free to contact the GKII Program Team at jhii@jh.edu with any questions.

3.1.2 Center for Global Health Grant Recipient Requirements

As a joint student fellow, all [GHEFP program requirements](#) must be met prior to traveling to India.

3.2 POST-TRIP:

3.2.1 Program Evaluation & Reporting Information

GKII Girish & Himangi Rishi Student Travel Award (GHRSTA) recipients are requested to provide GKII with a **post-program report** and **post-program evaluation** within 30 days upon completion of their travel to India. We also appreciate your personal testimonial to share widely with the JHU GKII Community! Any questions, feel free to contact the GKII Program Team at jhii@jh.edu.

3.2.1.1 GKII Reporting Resources:

[Program Experiential Learning Rubric](#) – GKII's Experiential Learning Rubric provides expectations for students to demonstrate as an award recipient – we recommend you review the criteria to self-assess your overall contributions and performance.

[Program Report Template](#) – Reference GKII's GHRSTA Program Report Template to complete your post-program reflection which is a requirement for GKII grant recipients.

[Program Report Submission Form](#) (*required within 30 days upon return from India*) – Submit your completed Program Report following the prescribed template via the online [Program Report submission form](#).

[Program Evaluation](#) (*requested within 30 days upon return from India*) – Complete GKII's [Program Evaluation Survey](#) to provide feedback on the overall program experience. This report will remain confidential to GKII's Program Team and will be used for assessment and improvement purposes.

Exit Interview (*optional – request a meeting with our GKII Program Manager ~ jhii@jh.edu*)



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Testimonial Form – Please complete our brief questionnaire so we can share your experience and accomplishments with the JHU Community!

4 INDIA TRAVEL RESOURCES

The following resources offer information for travel to India for preparations and to ensure your health, and safety in-country. It is strongly recommended that you communicate early and frequently with your GHEFP Placement Site Mentor to coordinate housing and travel arrangements for India.

4.1.1 JHU Travel Preparation Resources

- [Center for Global Health Overseas Travel Handbook](#)

**The Center for Global Health hosts a series of virtual Information Sessions for GHEFP fellows. It will be important to attend these sessions to gain details on travel abroad as a JHU student.*

- [JHU Center for Global Health International Travel Preparation, Safety, & Wellness Course | Coursera](#)
- [JHU Central Travel Resources](#)

Johns Hopkins Travel Portal is the central resource for Johns Hopkins faculty, staff, and students regarding international travel. Questions? Contact jhtravel@jhu.edu.

- [JHU Travel Visa & Passport Services](#)
- [JHU Booking Travel Resources](#)
- [JHU Travel Security Tools](#)

Booking Student Travel

If you are a Johns Hopkins-affiliated student who is on payroll and in the Concur (SAP payroll) system, please book your flights through [Concur Travel](#) or with the agency. If you purchased your ticket outside of the travel program, you could send in your plans to Concur. Please see the [travel portal](#) for more information. If you are not on payroll (and therefore not in Concur), please email JHTravel@jhu.edu and request a form. You will fill out a form and return it to them to upload it to HX Global.

4.1.2 International Travel Forms & Checklists

- [GKII GHRSTA Pre-Trip-Checklist](#)
- [Emergency Contact Form](#)
- [U.S. Transportation Security Administration \(TSA\)](#)
- [International Traveler's Checklist \(state.gov\)](#)



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4.1.3 International Travel Resources

- [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program \(state.gov\)](#)
- [Travelers - United States Department of State](#)
- [International Travel \(state.gov\)](#)

4.1.4 India Travel Resources

- [India - United States Department of State](#)
- [India e-Visa \(indianvisaonline.gov.in\)](#)
- [India International Travel Information \(state.gov\)](#)
- [U.S. Embassy New Delhi - U.S. Embassy & Consulates in India \(usembassy.gov\)](#)

4.1.5 Health & Well-being Information

- [JHU Well-being & Primary Care](#)
- [Travel Health – JHU Primary Care](#)
- [JHU Travel Insurance Provider - Healix International Login](#) - JHU policy number: JH18492
- [Geographic Medicine \(Pre and Post Travel Care\) - Johns Hopkins Medicine](#)
- [Emergency Information - Johns Hopkins Office of International Services](#)

4.1.6 Local Housing, Dining & Transportation Information

GHEFP-GKII fellows are to discuss local housing, dining, and transportation options near their India Placement Site with their Faculty Advisor and Placement Site contact(s). Contact the GHEFP Coordinator with any questions related to Placement Site arrangements: Meagan Harrison meagan@jhu.edu.

4.1.7 General International Travel Tips

- [Diversity and Inclusion Abroad Guide | Diversity Abroad](#)
- [Practical Travel Guide | Johns Hopkins University Global Education Office](#)



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5 RESEARCH RESOURCES

*The following list of JHU research resources may be useful if your Scope of Work involves supporting research projects at your India Placement Site. **Please be advised that this list is not extensive and GKII is not able to provide support for research project planning or administration. We recommend you reach out to your Faculty Mentor, trained JHU Research Navigators, and JHU Librarians for individualized recommendations and guidance related to JHU student research.***

5.1.1 JHU Health & Medicine Research

- [Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health Research Website](#)
- [Johns Hopkins Department of Medicine Research Website](#)

5.1.2 JHU Libraries & Research Services

- [Libraries | Johns Hopkins | Bloomberg School of Public Health](#)

5.1.3 Research Databases & Tips

- [Global Health Resources - Core Databases - JHU Welch Medical Library Guides](#)
- [Global Health Resources - Top Open Access Journals - JHU Welch Medical Library Guides](#)
- [Global Health Resources - JHU Welch Medical Library Guide](#)
- [Effective Database Searching - Welsh Medical Library Presentation](#)
- [Research Poster Template](#)

6 GLOBAL LEARNING RESOURCES

- [Foundations of Global Health Specialization \(Johns Hopkins\) | Coursera](#)
- [Free Learning Resources in Global Health | Welch Medical Library Guides at Johns Hopkins](#)



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7 INDIA CULTURE RESOURCES

- National Portal of India (india.gov.in)
- India Ministry of External Affairs Website (mea.gov.in)
- The Times of India (timesofindia.indiatimes.com)
- Ministry of Tourism of India (incredibleindia.org)
- India Today (indiatoday.in)
- India [Wikipedia](#)
- [Learn Hindi - Duolingo](#)



Would another resource be helpful to you? Please suggest a resource to jbiz@jh.edu!



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8 KEY CONTACTS

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<p>India Placement Site Information:</p>	<p>JHU Faculty Mentor Contact:</p>
<p>Personal Emergency Contact:</p>	<p>JHU Travel Agency Contact: Johns Hopkins Dedicated Agent Team Toll Free Number: 888-433-2556 Calling from outside the U.S.: 484-348-6310 Email: jhutrael@worldtravelinc.com Agents Availability: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. EST, Monday-Friday <i>After-hours, calls are automatically forwarded to the emergency after-hours service center. Service is available 24/7/365.</i> <i>After Hours Email: afterhours@worldtravelinc.com</i></p>
<p>Passport Information:</p>	<p>JHU Travel Health & Safety Contact: Johns Hopkins Global Travel Assistance Helplines 24/7/365: Americas: + 1 443 455 071 EMEA: + 44 20 8763 4952 E-mail johnshopkins@healix.com</p>