UC San Francisco scientists, staff and students are working in virtually every region of the world in pursuit of UCSF’s mission: advancing health worldwide™. The Institute for Global Health Sciences (IGHS), founded in 2003, harnesses UCSF’s scientific leadership to improve health.

Our faculty, researchers, and staff—experts in implementation, education and policy development—work alongside partners, including ministries of health in many developing countries, to support the prevention, treatment and elimination of conditions that cause significant health burdens among the underserved. We integrate UCSF’s strengths in the basic sciences and clinical care with our expertise in implementation science, data collection and analysis, health economics and financing to improve the quality of care, improve health systems and reduce the burden of HIV/AIDS, malaria, maternal mortality, preterm birth, tuberculosis and other devastating conditions.

IGHS is at the forefront of educating the next generation of global health leaders, with the nation’s first Master of Science in Global Health program and a new PhD program. Our students explore critical health challenges and develop solutions through focused training and mentorship by world-renowned faculty.

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