8:30 – 9:00  Coffee and Networking

9:00 - 9:15  Welcome and Opening Remarks
- Michael Cappello, Interim Director; Professor and Chair, Epidemiology of Microbial Diseases
- Megan Ranney, Dean of Yale School of Public Health and C.-E. A. Winslow Professor of Public Health (Health Policy) and Professor of Emergency Medicine

9:15 - 9:45  Sparking Global Health Innovation at Yale
Kristina Talbert-Slagle, Director, Faculty Support Initiative
The YIGH Faculty Support Initiative (FSI) provides resources to catalyze new research and programmatic efforts in global health. During this session, we will learn about upcoming opportunities through FSI, including the Global Health Spark Award and Hecht Global Health Faculty Network Award. Two awardees will be featured:
- Amy Bei, Assistant Professor of Epidemiology (Microbial Diseases), 2021 Spark Awardee
- Jeannette Ickovics, Samuel and Liselotte Herman Professor of Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2022 Hecht Awardee

9:45 – 10:45  Fireside Chat with YIGH Faculty Networks
Jeremy Schwartz, Director Faculty Network Program
YIGH Faculty Networks bring together Yale faculty members to form collaborative academic and/or research partnerships based on shared thematic or regional interests. We will hear from five Faculty Networks about their work, including opportunities to engage.
- Kieran O’Donnell, Assistant Professor, Yale Child Study Center and Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences, Yale Biological Embedding, Global Research & Intervention Network (BEGIN)
- Marek Chawarski, Professor of Psychiatry and Emergency Medicine, Yale Global Addictions Network
- Tracy Rabin, Associate Professor of Medicine (General Medicine) and Clinical Professor of Nursing, Global Health Ethics Network
- Evelyn Hsieh, Associate Professor of Medicine (Rheumatology, Allergy & Immunology), Yale Network for Global Non-Communicable Diseases (NGN)
- Sunil Parikh, Associate Professor of Epidemiology (Microbial Diseases) and of Infectious Diseases, MalarYale

10:45 – 11:00  Break
Room 105
11:00 – 12:00 Demystifying Global Health at Yale
The leadership of the International Operations and Compliance Committee (IOCC) will introduce the work of the committee and describe how to effectively navigate Yale’s policies and processes to support global health research and training. Faculty and administrators will be encouraged to share their experiences and describe administrative challenges.
- Carolyn Marks, International Operations and Compliance Manager, Office of the General Counsel
- Kristina Talbert-Slagle, Director Faculty Support Initiative
- Steven Wilkinson, Nilekani Professor of India and South Asian Studies, Vice Provost for Global Strategy

12:00 – 12:45 Buffet Lunch
Room 105

1:00 – 2:00 Keynote Address - Building Equity in Global Health: The Role for Global North Actors
Professor Madhukar Pai, MD, PhD, FRSC, Inaugural Chair, Department of Global and Public Health, McGill School of Population and Global Health, McGill University
Global health was born out of colonialism. Even today, it is neither diverse nor truly global. Every aspect of global health is dominated by those with power and privilege. If global health is to be reimagined or decolonized, Global North actors who typically hold power and privilege must shift from saviorism to allyship. This shift is possible, and we will see examples.

2:00 – 2:30 Undergraduate Global Health Studies Program
During this session we will learn about the Global Health Studies Program, which is designed for undergraduate Yale students interested in understanding and addressing pressing global health challenges.
- Catherine Panter-Brick, Bruce A. and Davi-Ellen Chabner Professor of Anthropology, Health, and Global Affairs
- Cara Fallon, Lecturer in Global Health, Jackson School of Global Affairs

2:30 - 3:30 Lightning Talks: Global Health at Yale
Michael Cappello, Interim Director, Professor and Chair, Epidemiology of Microbial Diseases
Yale faculty and students are engaged in a range of research and programs in global health. During this session we will hear more about these efforts, including how students and trainees can get involved.
- Nour Al Zouabi, YSPH ’25, EMD, “Refugees’ post-resettlement barriers to accessing healthcare services in the northeastern United States during COVID-19”
- Cristina Arnés Sanz, YSPH ‘25, EMD, ”Youth for Effective Pandemic Response: Advocating for a healthier and safer world through a Pandemic Accord”
- Jeffrey Boateng, YSPH ’24, AP, “Empowering communities in environmental and climate justice using the rule of law and the TBLJ approach”
- Mikaili Charlemagne, YSPH ’25, "Developing a Noncommunicable Disease (NCD) Research Capacity Assessment Tool for Programs in Lower- and Middle-Income Country Settings"
Daniel S. Ebbs, Pediatric Critical Care Attending; "Community Participatory Models in Global Health: developing research capacity in the prehospital setting"

Tarini Gupta, YSPH ’24, SBS, “Eating food away from the home is associated with increased sugar-sweetened beverage consumption in the ECHORN cohort”


Steven Schiff, Harvey and Kate Cushing Professor of Neurosurgery, Vice Chair for Global Health, Department of Neurosurgery, Professor of Epidemiology, Department of Epidemiology of Microbial Diseases, “Adaptive surveillance to reduce neonatal mortality in Busoga Kingdom – a focus on preventable neonatal disease”

Melanie Sion, Assistant Professor of Surgery, and Paul Serrato, Medical Student, YSM ’26, “Global surgery collaboration at Kamuzu Central Hospital in Lilongwe, Malawi”

Emma Taylor-Salmon, Clinical Fellow, Pediatric Infectious Diseases, YSM, “Travel surveillance uncovers dengue virus dynamics and introductions in the Caribbean”

Chantal Vogels, “The Yale Vector-borne and Zoonotic Diseases Faculty Network”

3:30 – 3:45 Break
Room 105

3:45 – 4:30 YIGH Student Experiences in Global Health
Mike Skonieczny, Deputy Director
During this panel discussion we will learn from Yale students and trainees that have participated in the YIGH Leadership in Global Health Fellowship Program and Global Health Case Competition.

Charlie Minicucci, YSPH ’24
Shruti Parthasarathy, YC ’24
Natalia Rovelo-Velazquez, YSPH ’24
Lindsay Walker, YSN ’26

4:30 Closing