

Davidson Gwatkin EQUITY CATALYST AWARD

We invite you to preview below the application form for the Davidson Gwatkin Equity Catalyst Award. Please note that applications [must be submitted through the online portal](#) to be considered. We recommend reviewing all application fields and gathering required materials before you begin, as the application must be completed in one session and cannot be saved.

Complete applications must be submitted by the deadline of 11:59 pm EDT on October 2, 2026.

* Denotes required field.

SECTION 1: NOMINEE DETAILS

1. *First name:
2. *Last Name:
3. *Organization:
4. *Email:
5. *Phone/WhatsApp:
6. *Occupation (select your primary role):
 - ☐ Full-time staff
 - ☐ Independent Contractor/Consultant
If Independent Contractor/Consultant selected: Please upload documentation demonstrating your dedicated and prolonged relationship with the organization through a contract, or series of contracts, totaling at least one (1) year of continuous engagement. Accepted file formats: .doc, .pdf, .jpg, or .png.
 - ☐ Post-Doctoral Scholar
 - ☐ Graduate Student
 - ☐ Undergraduate Student
 - ☐ Researcher
 - ☐ Faculty
 - ☐ Policymaker
 - ☐ Other:
7. ☐ *I confirm that I did not receive a Davidson Gwatkin Equity Measurement Prize or Equity Catalyst Award in the 2024 award cycle, individually or as part of a team.
8. *Is this a submission on behalf of a team?
 - ☐ No, I will not conduct this study or project with any co-authors. I am the sole applicant.
 - ☐ Yes, I will conduct this study or project with co-authors. I confirm that all co-authors involved are aware that I am submitting this application. I understand that only one application may be submitted per project. I will submit letters of agreement from collaborators prior to prize distribution, if requested.

SECTION 2: NOMINATED WORK ELIGIBILITY

1. *Please select the Award theme to which you are applying.
Nominees may apply to only one of the two themes. Multiple applications may result in disqualification for all applications.
 - ☐ **Development Equity Measurement**
Proposes program, service delivery, or research uses of M4M's EquityTool to assess and improve health services for populations in low- and middle-income countries. Submissions must propose to collect or apply EquityTool data within the next two years.
 - ☐ **Humanitarian Equity Measurement**
Proposes innovative projects measuring equity in humanitarian health service delivery, including but not limited to applications of emerging tools or practices. Submissions must propose to collect data or apply the measurement method within the next two years.
2. *Project Name (limit 120 characters, including spaces):
3. *Anticipated Data Collection Start:
4. **Abstract:**
Please refer to the [Proposed Work guidelines](#) to tailor the focus of your abstract to your selected theme.
*Background and Rationale (max 1000 characters, including spaces)

*Methodology (max 1000 characters, including spaces)

*Anticipated Impact (max 1000 characters, including spaces)

Other (optional, max 750 characters, including spaces):

Please provide any other relevant information about your project, including links to publicly available materials. Do not include dissertation files.

SECTION 3: ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENTS

1. Publication of the nominated work

- ☐ * I confirm that this work is, or can be made, publicly available.
- ☐ * I confirm that my submission has been anonymized to remove sensitive personally identifiable information, if any.

2. *Finalist commitments

If I am selected as a Gwatkin Equity Catalyst Award finalist:

- ☐ * I understand that as a Finalist, I, or a member of my team, must be able to present this work in-person in a 4-minute lightning talk at an M4M-sponsored side session at the Health Systems Research Conference in Cairo, Egypt (December 7-9, 2026).
- ☐ * I understand that I may be asked to participate in social media posts, written case study or other promotional activities around the Gwatkin Equity Catalyst Award and conference lightning talks, and I will actively participate in such requests.
- ☐ * I understand that the Award recipient, as designated below, is solely responsible for all eligible taxes on any prize funds received. Metrics for Management will not withhold any taxes on the funds disbursed.

3. *Award recipient

Please note that the contact entered below will receive the prize distribution. If you enter an individual's name, the funds are intended to be received by the individual. If you enter an organization's name, the funds are intended to be received by the organization. The selection below is final, and we are unable to redirect funds at a later time.

- ☐ * I understand that I am responsible for ensuring that the contact provided below for prize distribution is in accordance with my organization's policies.

If selected, the prize funds will be awarded to:

- ☐ Individual:
- ☐ Organization:

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