

2017 Siemens Foundation-PATH Fellowship



Abrar Nadroo

Laboratory Research Fellow

“Early on in my academic career, I became passionate about international affairs and biology. . . . I was attracted to (PATH fellowship) because it would allow me to use my STEM experience to contribute to a project with significant global applications. ”

Abrar Nadroo will receive his undergraduate degree in Biology and Economics from Columbia University in December 2018. He plans to continue working extensively to eliminate global health inequities, potentially through work as a physician-scientist.

Abrar grew up in Queen, NY – one of the most diverse places in the world, according to him -- where he was lucky to be exposed to a myriad of cultures and traditions from a young age. As a child, he recalls being captivated by the stories from “back home” told by his parents and neighbors. Those narratives drove his interest in studying global development and motivated him to do work that can reach communities around the globe.

In addition to his interest in biology and global development, Abrar is a proud political activist who feels that a great challenge for his generation is to stay politically engaged – especially for young scientists and engineers to be advocates for policies that promote health, economic and educational equity.