Request for Applications
Pre-Doctoral Clinical / Translational Research Option for MS/MSPH Degree

Full-time mentored research training experience with stipend

This mentored research training program is currently accepting applications from pre-doctoral students in health profession programs.

Program content areas include, but may not be limited to:

- Healthcare systems and disparities
- Healthcare quality measurement and improvement
- Patient-Centered Outcomes Research (PCOR)
- Behavioral Medicine
- Comparative Effectiveness Research (CER)
- Pharmacoepidemiology and Patient Safety
- Informatics and Data Science
- Implementation Science

The mission of the Center for Clinical and Translational Science (CCTS) is to address disparities and diseases disproportionally represented in the Deep South (see partner sites & web address below). In addition to actively engaging in a 12-month mentored research experience, trainees will:

- Experience dynamic learning with multi-disciplinary peers of excellence
- Have access to pool of 30+ experienced mentors
- Benefit from career-enriching training
- Publish a paper
- Gain exposure to epidemiological, statistical, experimental, & quasi-experimental methodologies
- Analyze large data sets, including health outcomes assessment & economic evaluation

This one-year fellowship offers:

- $22,920 NRSA stipend for full-time multidisciplinary mentored research training
- $1,500 Travel support
- Training-related expenses – up to $4,500 available to support health insurance, travel, and research related expenditures

For trainees who are not engaged in a PhD training program, the fellowship also includes $16,000 tuition support for an approved MS/MSPH degree track at UAB.

ELIGIBILITY: Candidates must be U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, or have permanent residency status. Eligible applicants will be pre-doctoral students in the CCTS Partner Network that have completed their first two years of their health profession program. Candidates must be able to demonstrate a commitment to full-time research training.

APPLICATION: The following materials are required:

1. Current CV including GPA and relevant test scores (i.e.: GRE Scores V, Q, Adv and/or MCAT or PCAT Scores)
2. Official letter of good standing from current pre-doctoral program (usually comes from the local Registrar’s office)
3. Letters of recommendation (2)
4. Two-page personal statement that clearly addresses a) Reason for interest in participating in a CER/PCOR experience, b) Goals for research training and career development, including degree attainment, and c) Research experience to date (if any).

SUBMISSION OF MATERIALS: The interested applicant will email his/her application to Program Manager Jeanne Merchant at jsmerchant@uabmc.edu. Application materials are due by December 22, 2017.

CONTACT: For questions regarding eligibility, program requirements, and the application process, please contact the UAB TL1 program (jsmerchant@uabmc.edu or 205.996.9672) or the CCTS (ccts@uab.edu or 205.934.7442).

ON THE WEB: www.uab.edu/ccts/partner-network

The CCTS Partner Network includes Universities of Alabama, Alabama at Birmingham, Auburn, South Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana State, Tulane and Tuskegee as well as the research institutions of Hudson-Alpha Institute for Biotechnology, Pennington Biomedical Research Center and Southern Research. Supported by the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS 5TL1TR001418)