

Request for Applications

TL1 Predoctoral Clinical and Translational Research Training Program July 1, 2019 Appointment Start Date

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Executive Summary

Frontiers: The University of Kansas Clinical & Translational Science Institute invites applicants from all Frontiers affiliated institutions to apply for the NIH-funded Clinical & Translational Research Pre-doctoral TL1 Training Program. This 1-year program will stimulate interest in clinical research careers for **MD, DO, PharmD, DNP, DPT and DDS students within the final two years of their clinical doctoral degree**, by creating a dual-degree training track designed to foster active learning and clinical and translational science career development. Trainees must take a leave of absence from their current academic program for the following program requirements:

1. Complete a Master of Science in Clinical Research (MS-CR)
2. Actively engage in workshops and training opportunities designed to enhance research skills
3. Complete a mentored research project culminating in a published research article

Predoctoral TL1 Trainees Receive

- Tuition remission for MS-CR course work
- Monthly NIH NRSA pre-doctoral trainee stipend
- Travel funds to cover registration, airfare, lodging and incidental costs at national ACTS conference
- Up to \$4,200 towards research training related expenses (i.e., project materials and supplies, publication cost, consultant services such as statistical or other technical personnel)

Eligibility of Applicants

- United States citizen, non-citizen national, or permanent resident
- Currently enrolled in an MD, DO, DPT, DNP, PharmD a DDS or other clinical program at a Frontiers affiliated institution
- Proof of pre-requisite coursework completion in basic sciences and mathematics
- Approved leave of absence from your current program to complete the MS-CR coursework and participate exclusively in Frontiers sponsored or approved activities

Key Dates

Application due date: January 4, 2019

Award notifications: February 1, 2019

Funding commences: July 1, 2019

Application and Submission Information

Step 1: Identify your mentor(s)

One of the most important steps in applying is to identify a research mentor. Please schedule a meeting with Dr. Won Choi prior to submitting an application to discuss potential mentors, even if you have already identified one. To schedule a meeting, contact Amy Smith (asmith63@kumc.edu). If you need assistance selecting a mentor, Dr. Choi will help identify potential clinician researchers or population/community health researchers across the Frontiers partner institutions. He may also consult faculty research cluster experts in your area of interest to help identify potential collaborations. In addition to a primary mentor, you are asked to identify a junior mentor. Junior mentors are new campus faculty or investigators who extend the collaboration continuum and whom you may contact for both project-specific and career development mentorship.

Step 2: Complete TL1 application

- Please submit the following information to Amy Smith at asmith63@kumc.edu
 - A personal statement with a description of your previous research experience and career objectives. You may use the same personal statement for the MS-CR application.
 - Your resume/curriculum vitae (CV)
 - A one-page proposal for a mentored research project
 - Your mentor's NIH biosketch
 - Three letters of support
 - The letters should come from:
 - 1) Your research mentor describing how you will be integrated into the mentor's currently funded research efforts and how you actively participate in a research project suitable for first-authored publication at the end of your dedicated year of research training.
 - 2) The Dean of your current academic program
 - 3) One additional letter of support

For additional information, please contact

Amy Smith, Research Training Navigator, Frontiers Training Center

913-588-3030 or email: asmith63@kumc.edu