

TL1 Pre-doctoral Clinical Research Training Program Call for Applications (Graduate Students)

Deadline to submit: Friday, February 15, 2019 at 5:00 pm

All applications and supporting documents must be **submitted electronically in a single PDF file** to:
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The CTSC is pleased to announce a call for graduate student applicants to receive research funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) sponsored **TL1 Pre-doctoral Clinical Research Training Program (CTSC-TL1)**. The **CTSC-TL1** program is part of a fully integrated approach by the UC Davis CTSC to advance research education and training for multidisciplinary, clinical and translational investigators working to improve human health. The overall goal of the TL1 program is to provide pre-doctoral medical students and basic-science students with skills required to develop a career in multidisciplinary clinical and translational research relevant to human health. The **CTSC-TL1** training program is expected to strongly advantage scholars in preparing for successful careers in translational research.

Graduate students pursuing health related research and enrolled in UC Davis PhD programs are eligible to apply. Scholars will be selected based on a competitive application process in which student academic qualifications, career goals, and the quality of the training environment will be important considerations for funding. CTSC TL1 graduate student positions are funded by the CTSC.

Applicants must identify a potential faculty mentor and develop a proposed research plan in consultation with that mentor to be submitted with the application. The Award is initially for 1 year with the option of a second year based on progress of the trainee (June 1, 2018 – May 31, 2021). Award recipients are required to make a full-time research commitment to the training program and to all components of the training program, which includes the proposed research, didactic instruction and clinical experiences while simultaneously meeting the requirements of their respective graduate programs.

While in the program, awardees will receive a stipend and resident graduate student fees (equivalent to those of a California resident), as well as funds for research and travel expenses. Please be advised that the research budget must be administered under the current NIH directive with respect to clinical trial research and can only be used to offset research costs that do not directly support clinical trials. For example, TL1 funds may not be used to pay subjects or purchase medications. In addition, all funds must be managed by UC Davis, and not by off-site entities. As always, direct billing for services is permitted. All budgetary items should be reviewed and approved prior to initiating studies.

Eligibility Criteria:

- UC Davis pre-doctoral graduate student in good standing
- Strong academic credentials and good communication skills
- Ability to commit to all requirements of the training program
- Proposed research project must be relevant to human health
- Interest in developing a career in multidisciplinary, translational biomedical research
- Identification of a faculty mentor and strong mentor support
- No previous support from CTSC Training Programs, such as the HHMI-IMBI or CTSC TL1 and there is a 3 year limit on NRSA T32 training.
- U.S. citizen, noncitizen nationals, or have legal admission into the U. S. as a permanent citizen at the time of application (temporary or student visas are NOT eligible)

Application Procedure:

Candidates must submit a formal application with the following supporting documents in a single PDF file:

- Completed the CTSC-TL1 Training Program application form and submit a CV
- Two letters of recommendation, one must be from the proposed faculty mentor(s)
- Mentor's Biosketch

For questions or to receive an application: please contact Connie Koog at 916-703-9132 or cdkoog@ucdavis.edu. Applications will be reviewed by a CTSC committee chaired by Dr. Nicholas Kenyon.

**There will be a Q&A Session for this program on November 26, 2018, noon – 1 p.m.
in Room 2102, Education Building, UCDCM, Sacramento.**