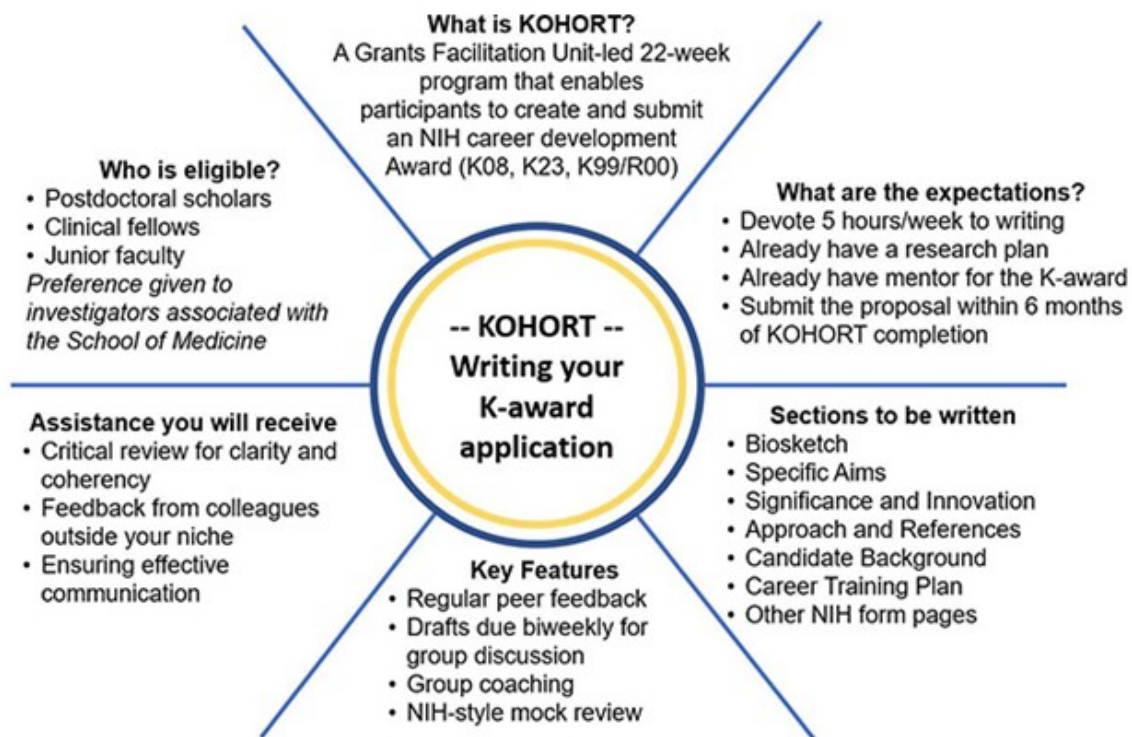


Office of Research
Grants Facilitation Unit

2024 KOHORT K-Award Grant Writing Workshop Application



KOHORT is a five-month program **solely for postdocs and early-stage investigators** (ESI; having had no prior NIH R-series research award funding). This program is developed and led by the School of Medicine Office of Research Grants Facilitation Unit (GFU). KOHORT is designed to provide investigators with a solid foundation in creating, submitting, and receiving a career development award (K01, K08, K23, K99/R00, etc.) from the National Institutes of Health (NIH). It is **not suitable** for investigators writing research (R-series) proposals for NIH or for people writing career development proposals for NSF or other extramural funding agencies or foundations. Our expectation is that KOHORT participants will use this program to prepare K applications for the October 2024 due date. If you are working on a resubmission or want to submit an NIH K-award before October 2024 (e.g., June cycle), contact our team to seek one-on-one support.

Mentors are expected to actively participate with their mentee in KOHORT, which involves: 1) participating in the KOHORT kickoff session; 2) critically reviewing mentee's proposal and sharing feedback at writing group sessions; 3) participating in a mock review session with an outside reviewer, and 4) reviewing mentee's grant application sections throughout the duration of KOHORT.

Application Process: Please complete the following form and email a single PDF of the required materials by February 15, 2024, to Tracy Huff (tahuff@ucdavis.edu). All applications will be thoroughly reviewed, and candidates will be informed of their inclusion in the KOHORT program by March 15, 2024. The KOHORT program will begin on April 18, 2024.

Name: _____

Department: _____

Email address: _____

Your current career stage:

- Postdoc
- Clinical fellow
- Assistant professor
- Associate professor
- Other (specify) _____

By October 2024, what will be your career stage?

- Postdoc
How many years of postdoctoral training will you have had by October 2024? _____
- Clinical fellow
- Assistant professor
- Associate professor
- Full professor
- Other (specify) _____

Your highest degree(s) - select all that apply

- M.D.
- Ph.D.
- M.D./Ph.D.
- D.V.M.
- Pharm.D.
- R.N.

What type of NIH career development award will you write during the KOHORT program?

- K01
- K08
- K22
- K23
- K99/R00
- Other (specify) _____

Provide the name(s) of the NIH institute(s) you are targeting for funding: _____

Have you submitted an NIH K award before?

- Yes
- No

If yes, please specify the mechanism and year of submission (e.g., K01 submitted February 2023): _____

Mentor commitment: Do you have at least one mentor, faculty colleague, or other Scientific Advisor who will assist you in developing the detailed research and training plan as part of your K-award?

Yes

No

If yes, provide your mentor's name, department, and email: _____

The KOHORT application requires you to include a **mentor commitment letter** from your mentor. The letter should express the mentor's willingness to participate in the KOHORT kickoff session, critically review their mentee's proposal and share feedback at writing group sessions, participate in a mock review session with an outside reviewer, and review their mentee's grant application sections throughout the duration of KOHORT. The letter should also describe specific plans for the frequency of contact between the mentor and the applicant during the KOHORT program. Finally, each mentor should describe their experience with mentoring and provide a list of their completed and current grants (include name of funder, funding mechanism [e.g., R01, R21, R03, T32, etc.], project title, and their role).

For junior faculty: Do you have support from your department chair to submit a K-award proposal?

Yes

No

If yes, please include a **letter from your department chair** approving your participation in this program and confirming that you will have at least 5 hours per week of time to write your proposal during KOHORT.

Publications. For the following questions, please provide a number as your response.

How many peer-reviewed research publications do you have? By peer-reviewed, we mean accepted for publication or already published in a peer-reviewed journal. _____

How many of these are first author or co-first author publications? _____

How many of your peer-reviewed research publications are:

a. Original research? _____

b. Literature reviews? (published either in a peer-reviewed journal or as a book chapter) _____

c. Case reports? _____

How many peer-reviewed conference abstracts have you published? _____

Citizenship status

Receiving NIH funding generally requires investigators to be a US citizen or permanent resident. K99 is the only mechanism that funds non-citizens. To ensure that you are applying for the appropriate mechanism, please let us know if you are a citizen or permanent resident (green card holder) of the United States.

Yes, I am a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.

No, I am not citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.

Demographic information (Does not affect your selection for this program)

What is your race/ethnicity? You can select more than one response.

White - For example, German, Irish, English, Italian, Polish, French, etc.

Hispanic, Latinx, or Spanish origin - For example, Mexican or Mexican American, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Salvadoran, Dominican, Colombian, other Central or South American, etc.

- Black or African American**- For example, African American, Jamaican, Haitian, Nigerian, Ethiopian, Somali, etc.
- Asian** - For example, Chinese, Filipino, South Asian, Indian, Pakistani, Vietnamese, Korean, Japanese, etc.
- American Indian or Alaska Native** - For example, Navajo Nation, Blackfeet Tribe, Mayan, Aztec, Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, Nome Eskimo Community, etc.
- Middle Eastern or North African** - For example, Lebanese, Iranian, Egyptian, Syrian, Moroccan, Algerian, etc.
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** - For example, Native Hawaiian, Samoan, Chamorro, Tongan, Fijian, Marshallese, etc.
- Other** – (specify) _____
- Decline to state**

Which of the following best describes your gender identity? You can select more than one response.

- Male
- Female
- Transgender
- Non-binary
- Other
- Decline to state

Submission

Please email a **single PDF** of your completed application with the following materials to Tracy Huff (tahuff@ucdavis.edu) by February 15, 2024. Ensure your material is in the following order:

1. This completed application form.
2. Research plan/proposal (1 page max, single-spaced, 0.5-inch margins): Briefly describe your proposed research (e.g., critical need, aims, hypotheses, research strategy and methods, analytical approach, outcomes/impact of research).
3. Training plan (1 page max, single-spaced, 0.5-inch margins): Describe your short and long-term career goals along with the areas you'll propose to obtain training in for your K application. Also, note why you want a K-award at this stage of your career.
4. Your current NIH Biosketch.
5. Mentor commitment letter.
6. Required only for junior faculty applicants: Letter of commitment from department chair.