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University of Missouri Health

Distance-Mediated Post-Doctoral Nursing Fellowship, 2018-2019

Post-doctoral fellows will receive training to prepare for future careers as nurse researchers. Fellows will engage in mentored research training for the purpose of acquiring the professional skills needed to launch a successful research trajectory. The fellow program is a stepping stone to a longer-term position conducting nursing research in academia, practice, or industry. Program flexibility will ensure learning opportunities are matched to the fellow's existing strengths while building toward a successful independent research career. The fellow will experience a vibrant research environment and resources to accelerate the development of their program of research. Faculty with active programs of research will mentor fellows. Fellows may access the Office of Research staff for developing and submitting grant applications. Fellows may work with MUSSON biostatisticians. The Associate Dean for Research will assist the fellow. Fellows may choose to participate in leadership development activities such as the preparing future faculty program on campus. The fellowship will be distance-mediated with intensive onsite experiences. Preference will be given to a candidate pursuing health behavior science research.

Benefits of being a post-doctoral fellow:
> $64,625 total compensation ($47,870 salary)
> $ 2,000 to attend two national/international research conferences
> $ 1,689 tuition for one course (optional)
> $10,000 project costs

Research development opportunities include:
- Mentorship generating valid research designs to address research questions
- Assistance with abstract submission for research conferences
- Mentorship to develop and deliver paper/poster presentations at research conferences
- Substantive and process consultation for manuscript development and publication
- Access to existing data sets for trainees to conduct analyses as learning experiences and to develop research presentations and manuscripts
- Preparation in analysis and interpretation of existing data sets
- Mentorship to write, secure, and administer funded grants
- Introductions to national leaders, such as at research conferences
- Preparation to develop and refine research trajectories following post-doctoral study
- Long-term mentoring relationships following completion of the post-doctoral fellowship

Characteristics of a successful post-doctoral fellow:
- Goal-directed individual
- Committed to the challenge of being a full-time post-doctoral fellow
- Research focused on health behavior science (desirable but not required)
- Dedicated to pursuing a research career

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Applicant Name: _____ _____ _____
Last   First   MI

Current Address: _____ _____ _____ _____
Number & Street   City   State   Zip

E-Mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____   U.S. Citizen?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

Date of Birth: _____

Driver's License #: _____ State: _____ State of Residence: _____

Race: Please check one or more that apply.

☐ Asian (other)   ☐ White/Caucasian   ☐ Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

☐ American Indian or Native Alaskan   ☐ Black or African-American

☐ Asian (includes Chinese, Filipino, Japanese, Korean, Thai, and Asian Indian)

Ethnicity: Gender: ☐ Woman

☐ Hispanic or Latino   ☐ Man

☐ Non-Hispanic or Non-Latino   ☐ Gender Non-comformity/Non-binary

                                                      ☐ Gender Fluid

Sex: ☐ Male   ☐ Female   ☐ Another Gender Not Listed

Have either of your parents attended college?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

Are you from a rural residential background?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

  Definition of rural is a geographical area that is not part of a Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Are you from a disadvantaged background?   ☐ Yes   ☐ No

Definition of a disadvantaged background is a citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident of the United States or the District of Columbia, the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico or the Marianas Islands, the Virgin Islands, Guam, the American Samoa, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated State of Micronesia who either:
  a) Comes from an environment that has inhibited the individual from obtaining knowledge, skills, and abilities required to enroll in and graduate from a health professions school, or from a program providing education or training in an allied health profession; OR
  b) Comes from a family with an income below a level based on low income thresholds according to family size published by the U.S. Bureau of Census, adjusted annually for changes in the Consumer Price Index, and adjusted by the Secretary, HHS, for use in health professions and nursing programs.

What is your veteran status?   ☐ Active duty military   ☐ Reservist

   ☐ Veteran (prior service)   ☐ Veteran (retired)   ☐ Not a Veteran

I ☐ am ☐ am not in default of a federal or other loan.

Highest degree obtained? _____ Name of University: _____

If employed, current position and place of employment.

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Please provide the name and contact info for your dissertation mentor.

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Please provide your dissertation title, abstract, and citation, if published.

Please list any publications you have and whether they are in progress, submitted, accepted pending revision, in press, or published. List authors for each publication.

Please list any grants you have submitted and whether they are under review, not funded, or funded. List co-investigators for each grant.

Who would you select for your primary post-doctoral mentor at the MU Sinclair School of Nursing?

Please identify other Sinclair School of Nursing faculty with whom you would like to work during your time in the post-doctoral fellowship.

Explain why you believe you qualify to be a post-doctoral fellow.

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The expectation for the post-doctoral fellowship is full-time participation in research activities. Please share your strategies for committing to full-time research experience, including family, work, and professional commitments.

Discuss how the post-doctoral fellowship will assist you in achieving your academic and professional goals.

Discuss your research topic and what you see as your "next step:"

Agreement

The focus of my post-doctoral research will be:

_____

As a recipient of a post-doctoral fellowship, I agree that the following statements are true:
(initial statements if true)

_____   I am a U.S. citizen or have a valid Permanent Resident Card USCIS Form I-551.

_____   I am committed to being a full-time post-doctoral fellow for the next year.

_____   I am committed to a research career.

As a fellowship recipient, I agree that I will do the following: (initial if you agree)

_____   I will provide contact information while in the fellowship and will update the information
post-completion if requested.

_____   I will participate in the research development program.

_____   I will maintain routine communication with the post-doctoral directors, faculty, and staff
including any required progress reports.

_____   I will attend at least one research conference with my mentor.

_____   I will attend the required on-campus experiences (summer, fall, spring).

_____   I will notify the post-doctoral director if I am unable to meet the objectives as outlined in my
Individualized Development Plan during the course of the fellowship funding period.

_____   I will present or have accepted for presentation at one research conference.

_____   I will submit at least two first-authored journal manuscripts.

_____   I will submit at least one grant application.

_____   I will attend at least six lectures/seminars relevant for the fellow's program of research (may
include virtual attendance).

I verify that the above information is correct and complete, and I hereby authorize verification as
required by the school.

Printed Name: _____   Date: _____

Signature: _____

<u>Steps to Applying for the MUSSON Distance-Mediated Post-Doctoral Fellowship</u>:

1) Complete the attached application.

2) Application materials to include:
   - Current CV
   - PhD/DNS preparation (program, date, mentors, transcript)
   - Copies of first-authored publications or manuscripts in preparation
   - Statement of research interest
   - Statement of career goals
   - Description of match with potential MUSSON mentors
   - Statement of needed resources (office or lab space, statistical support, etc.)
   - Brief research proposal*

3) Submit the application to:

   Dr. Vicki Conn
   S317 Sinclair School of Nursing
   University of Missouri
   Columbia, MO 65211
   conn@missouri.edu

   Deadline for submission is: April 1, 2018

   Questions? Contact Vicki Conn at conn@missouri.edu.

* The brief research proposal should include: specific aims, significance, innovation, and approach/research methods. The brief proposal will be used to evaluate the candidate. Mentors will influence the actual project completed during the fellowship.