

## MUSSON Postdoctoral Fellowship (2018-2019)

Postdoctoral 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 successful research trajectories. 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 fellows' existing strengths while building toward successful independent research careers. Fellows will experience a vibrant research environment and resources to accelerate development of their program of research. Faculty with active programs of research will mentor fellows. Fellows will be provided with the constellation of research services available at MU School of Nursing. Fellows may access the Office of Research staff for developing grant applications. Fellows may work with MUSSON biostatisticians. The associate dean for research will assist fellows with developing a research trajectory. Fellows may choose to participate in leadership development activities. The fellowship will be distance-mediated with intensive onsite experiences. Preference will be given to fellows pursuing health behavior science.

### Eligibility criteria:

- Completed research intensive PhD or DNS doctoral degree. If the degree was completed more than two years prior to entering the fellowship additional information will be requested to explain the gap in preparation.
- Able to devote 100% effort to fellowship activities. Fellows will not have other full-time or substantial part-time employment. All employment will be approved by mentors and the associate dean for research.
- Motivation and discipline to develop a vigorous program of research.
- Match with MUSSON mentor(s) for substantive or methodological expertise.
- Graduate of a nursing program which prepares graduates for professional licensure.
- United States citizen or valid Permanent Resident Card USCIS Form I-551 (to match NIH requirements).
- Preference will be given to a candidate pursuing health behavior research. This is not a requirement.

### Program activities and expectations:

- Devote 100% effort to research activities.
- Meet with primary mentor weekly. Meet with mentoring team monthly. Meet with the PhD program director and associate dean for research quarterly. Virtual meetings are acceptable.
- Develop and implement an individual development plan implement plan during the fellowship.
- Complete human subjects protection training within the first month.
- Complete responsible conduct of research training (if needed) within the first month.
- Remain current on all necessary regulatory training.
- Participate in mentor and interdisciplinary research teams as appropriate.
- Be on site at Mizzou three times during the year.
- Attend at least one national or international meeting with MUSSON or interdisciplinary mentor.
- Achieve stated research productivity outcomes
- Submit a 6-month progress report as well as final report.

### Research productivity outcomes:

- Mock review of pilot project.
- Present at one Mizzou event.
- Present or have accepted for presentation at one research conference.
- Submit at least two first-authored journal manuscripts.
- Submit at least one grant application.
- Attend at least six lectures/seminars relevant for the fellow's program of research (may include virtual attendance)

### Financial considerations:

\$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