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AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS



Request for Applications KL2 Mentored Career Development Award

Summer 2024 Appointment

Anticipated start date: July 1, 2024

<https://frontiersctsi.org>

KEY DATES

Letters of Intent due:

October 23, 2023

Full Applications due:

January 29, 2024

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Frontiers Clinical and Translational Science Institute at the University of Kansas invites applicants from all Frontiers partner institutions to apply to the Frontiers Clinical and Translational Research KL2 Mentored Career Development Award. The KL2 award is specifically designed to foster the development of early career investigators interested in conducting groundbreaking clinical and translational research.

Frontiers is wholly committed to attracting and welcoming diverse researchers to its institutions. Researchers from underrepresented communities in academia are strongly encouraged to apply.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

- ❖ Salary support for 75% protected time dedicated to clinical and translational research*
- ❖ Two years of training in a collaborative, supportive environment
- ❖ Intensive mentored research experience
- ❖ Formal training in clinical and translational research
- ❖ Approximately \$25,000 per year in research funds*
- ❖ Assistance toward securing independent funding by the end of Year 2

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*Financial support is contingent on availability of funds. Some positions may be contingent on receiving departmental financial support. Frontiers Clinical and Translational Science Institute at the University of Kansas is part of a nationwide network of Clinical and Translational Science Awards institutions working to speed the research process from scientific discovery to patient care. Frontiers supports the spectrum of translational research, from animal health studies to community-based and population health outcomes research. Frontiers recognizes that diverse teams are essential to improve health, and of utmost importance are the partnerships and collaborations with communities, families, and individuals. Frontiers is supported by a five-year, \$27 million grant from the National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS) of the NIH.

Structure and Metrics of the KL2 Program

Structure:

KL2 scholars work with their mentors and KL2 leadership to identify their training needs and create an individual career development plan. Training includes interdisciplinary seminars, grant writing workshops, externships, and multidisciplinary mentorship. Training is integrated with mentored research experiences designed to launch an independent research career.

Metrics:

Success is measured both quantitatively (e.g., publications, grant funding, and career milestones) and qualitatively (research skills, quality of mentorship, creation of research teams, and contributions to science).

Eligibility

- United States citizen or non-citizen national, or have legal admission as a permanent resident
- Doctoral level degree (MD, DO, DDS, PharmD, PhD, DVM, or equivalent degree) and completion of all clinical training by time of KL2 appointment
- Prior training in clinical research methods with preference given to individuals who have already completed masters or PhD-level training in a relevant program
- Minimum of two years of post-terminal degree research experience
- Appointment to a faculty position by the time of KL2 appointment
- Commitment from Frontiers partner institution, school, or department to provide 75% protected effort for the scholar to direct towards the KL2
 - Clinicians in certain specialties who need to maintain procedural skills may be allowed to commit only 50% research effort
- An incoming KL2 Scholar cannot be or have been a PD/PI on an R01, R29 or subproject of a P or U grant, independent mentored career development (K- series) grants, or other equivalent research grant from PHS except for an R03 or an R21

How to Apply

Interested applicants should submit the following documents via

https://bit.ly/Frontiers_KL2:

- Letter of intent: Two pages outlining career goals, preliminary plans for mentorship, and a brief outline of the anticipated program of research
- NIH biosketch from the applicant
- NIH biosketch from the primary mentor

The committee will notify individuals by **November 22, 2023**, to submit full applications. Questions regarding the application process can be sent to Tresza Hutcheson at thutcheson@kumc.edu.