

NICHD OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Activities, Programs, and Professional Development

LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

- Project management for scientists
- Organizational dynamics and supervisory skills
- Setting expectations and goals
- Improving lab communication

RESEARCH AWARDS

- Annual Fellows Award for Research Excellence (FARE)
- K99/R00, Pathway to Independence Award
- NIGMS Postdoctoral Research Associate (PRAT) Program
- National Research Service Award (NRSA), individual predoc and postdoc fellowships
- Intramural Research Fellowships for NICHD postdoc and clinical fellows

TEACHING

- Skills workshops on curriculum design and active learning
- Six-week college teaching workshop series, each summer
- “Becoming an Effective Scientist” course for postbac fellows, an eleven-week lecture and journal club series taught by postdocs and clinical fellows

RESEARCH ETHICS

- An established training plan for all fellows
- 8-hour requirement, within the initial two years of training
- Completed by the fellow or facilitated by the mentor or Office of Education

MEDICAL AND GRAD SCHOOL PREPARATION

- Individual consulting
- Mock interviews
- Shadowing opportunities

CAREERS

- Job interview preparation
- Alumni speakers and panels from various career paths
- Editing of job application materials (c.v., cover letter, resume, teaching/research statement)
- Guidance for IDPs/Annual Progress Reviews
- One-on-one advising and career counseling

WRITING AND PUBLISHING

- Editorial service
- Grant preparation
- Online classes for scientific writing
- Getting published: strategies and approaches

GRANTS

- Grant writing/review workshops
- Mock study sections
- Individualized coaching for the NIH application process
- NICHD Fellows Intramural Grants Supplement (FIGS) Award

ANNUAL FELLOWS RETREAT

- The next retreat will be held in spring of 2021
- Postdocs, clinical fellows, graduate students retreat
- Off campus, one day event
- Current scientific topics, keynote addresses, fellow talks, posters, networking, and career events

SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

- Presentation skills (oral, poster, and chalk talks)
- Annual Three-Minute Talks (TmT) Competition
- Graduate student talks
- Individual sessions with a public speaking coach

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