

Call for Applications – CWRU Translational Fellows Program

The newly established CWRU Translational Fellows Program (TFP) seeks to train individuals in entrepreneurship and the translation of innovation to benefit humanity by connecting them to programs and workshops around campus while protecting time for entrepreneurial activities.

We are seeking applications from senior doctoral students or post-docs to work through the process of developing a technology for commercialization for our inaugural year beginning June 1, 2020.

Benefits:

- 20% salary coverage for 12 months
- Training and support for commercialization efforts
- Entrepreneurship/commercialization mentoring team

Requirements:

- Commitment to one day/week set aside for moving the technology to market
- Attendance at meetings/workshops through the program (once/month group meetings, workshops 4-6 times/year)

Eligibility:

- Current senior doctoral student (ideally in their final year) or post-doc at CWRU
- Working with a PI on a CWRU-based technology that has the potential for commercialization
- Must be willing to commit to 20% effort for one full year, starting June 1, 2020

Selection Criteria:

- Support from PI
- Fellow interest in entrepreneurship
- Commercialization potential of technology
- It is preferred but not required that the applicant has scientific expertise in the technology (i.e. is a technology developed in the lab that they are working in)
- Applications are highly encouraged from female and underrepresented minority students and post-docs

To Apply:

- Statement of interest from potential fellow, describing interest in entrepreneurship, and brief description of technology that the fellow proposes to work toward commercializing (1 page maximum)
- Letter of support from PI demonstrating willingness to allow for 20% buy out of time, support of entrepreneurial activities and attesting to the strength of candidate
- Form filled out and submitted along with above via **Infoready** by May 1, 2020
- Individuals selected for participation will be notified around May 15, 2020

Questions may be directed to Cheryl Thompson, PhD, Associate Professor and Assistant Dean of Educational Initiatives, School of Medicine, at cheryl@case.edu or 216-368-3956.

We anticipate funding up to 10 fellows in the first year, but reserve the right to not select any fellows should funding that is concurrently being solicited not be awarded.