
NIDDK DISTINGUISHED POSTBACCALAUREATE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases Intramural Research Program (NIDDK IRP), part of the National Institutes of Health, announces the **Distinguished Postbaccalaureate Scholars Program** for recent college graduates to pursue full-time research for 1-2 years at NIDDK campuses in Bethesda, MD or Phoenix, AZ. *The Program strongly encourages the participation of individuals with a demonstrated commitment to diversity including those from underrepresented populations.*

<https://www.niddk.nih.gov/research-funding/at-niddk/training-employment/postbaccalaureate>

Over 90 NIDDK IRP Principal Investigators lead research teams exploring basic biological processes as well as clinical research on diabetes, digestive diseases, endocrine and metabolic disorders, hematologic, kidney and liver diseases, nutrition and obesity that all disproportionately burden underserved communities.

Candidates must submit an online application to the NIH Office of Intramural Training and Education (OITE).

https://www.training.nih.gov/programs/postbac_irta

In addition, your CV along with a Diversity Statement (300 words or less) must be e-mailed to Ms. Lorraine Moore in the NIDDK Fellowship Office at lorrainem@intra.niddk.nih.gov. The NIH community strives to create a supportive, diverse, and inclusive environment, which is critical to achieving excellence in biomedical research. Your Diversity Statement should describe how your personal experiences and community engagement activities would contribute to these efforts.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: Completed applications (including three letters of recommendation) must be received by 5pm EST, Dec. 31, 2021. After initial screening, semi-finalists will be invited to a virtual interview. Five finalists selected by a panel of senior NIDDK scientists will be notified in early February, 2022. Questions? Contact Ms. Moore.

Eligibility

- US Citizen or permanent resident
- GPA – minimum 3.0 on 4.0 scale
- Completed a bachelor's degree by start of postbaccalaureate fellowship or have obtained a B.A. or B.S. within two years prior to fellowship start date.
- Must plan on applying to graduate/professional school if not already accepted.
- Background Check: Candidates must be able to pass a Federal background check, using Standard Form-85 ([read SF-85](#)). NOTE: Section 14 of the form asks "In the last year, have you used, possessed, supplied, or manufactured illegal drugs?" The question pertains to the illegal use of drugs or controlled substances in accordance with Federal laws, even though permissible under state laws.

Program Benefits for Fellows

- Fellowship stipend with health insurance provided by NIDDK
- Cohort support system, Principal Investigator (PI) support and secondary mentoring network
- Access to NIH resources including NIH Library, research core facilities, Scientific Interest Groups
- Professional development opportunities including workshops, webinars and academic classes
- Attendance at one national scientific conference