



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS DIABETES RELATED RESEARCH

The University of Washington Graduate School in conjunction with the Diabetes Research Center (DRC) is soliciting applications for a graduate fellowship designed to broaden participation in research related to diabetes and its complications at the University of Washington. This fellowship is made possible by an endowment from Samuel and Althea Stroum, who are University of Washington Benefactors and generous supporters of other civic and charitable organizations in the Seattle area. Selection of the Samuel and Althea Stroum Fellowship recipient will be made by the Dean of the UW Graduate School upon recommendation of the University of Washington DRC, and will be based on academic merit, research training environment, and relevance of the applicant's graduate research to diabetes.

SAMUEL AND ALTHEA STROUM ENDOWED GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP

Purpose: To support the training of promising graduate students in diabetes-related research.

Eligibility: Any registered University of Washington full-time graduate student pursuing diabetes-related research in a Ph.D. degree-granting program. Eligible disciplines include but are not limited to the basic and health sciences, social sciences, and arts/humanities. Eligible applicants must have passed their general exam prior to the date that funding is scheduled to begin. (Students in M.D., Pharm.D., D.D.S. and J.D. programs are not eligible. Masters degree applicants may be eligible in certain departments and require prior approval.)

Support: One award of \$20,000 toward graduate student stipend and benefits, based on fellowship guidelines, is available. The tenure of the fellowship is one year. Carryovers and extensions are not permitted. (*Students in fee-based graduate programs should check with their program administrator for questions related to tuition waivers.*)

Funding begins July 1, 2012.

Application: Prospective applicants must submit a **mandatory**, brief **letter of intent** (nor more than 2 pages) that include the following:

- Applicant's name, UW mailing address, e-mail address, and phone number.
- Academic department and school or college.
- Degree-granting program (if applicable)
- Dissertation Supervisory Committee Chair.
- Date that general exam was passed (or will be taken).
- Project title and brief description of the applicant's thesis research project and its relationship to diabetes.
- Applicant's statement of interest in diabetes research and career plans.

Letters of intent are due by **January 17, 2012** and should be sent by email to derc@u.washington.edu

The letter of intent will assist the DRC in guiding eligible applicants into the application procedures. Following receipt of the letter of intent, eligible applicants will be given a password to a website that has instructions on how to submit applications. Applications are submitted electronically to a special DRC website. Prospective applicants and their dissertation supervisory committee chairs are encouraged to direct questions regarding eligibility and application procedures to the Associate Director for Pilot & Feasibility Programs (Chris Hampe, Ph.D.) prior to submitting a letter of intent. Applications require approval by the applicant's departmental chairperson and Dissertation Supervisory Committee Chair.

Important: Approvals for human subjects, animal use, and biohazards (as well as any other requirements) must have been obtained from the appropriate University of Washington review committees prior to initiation of funding but are not required for submitting the application. Since the procedures for obtaining these approvals can be lengthy, prospective applicants should discuss with their dissertation committee the feasibility of obtaining the necessary approvals prior to the starting date for the award. Delayed approvals will not be grounds for an extension of the award.

Deadline: Applications are due by February 21, 2012

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