

**UMass Chan Medical School  
Transdisciplinary Training in Cardiovascular Research (T32)**

**\*\*Request for Post-Doctoral Trainee Applications\*\***

UMass Chan Medical School has a cardiovascular T32 training grant entitled "[Transdisciplinary Training in Cardiovascular Research](#)" under the direction and senior leadership of Drs. Catarina Kiefe and Kevin Donahue. The program represents a unique opportunity for the institution to promote the entire spectrum (T0 – T5) of cardiovascular research on our campus. We are writing to request applications from trainees who wish to become part of this exciting program at the post-doctoral level.

**Applicant Eligibility:**

[https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps/HTML5/section\\_11/11.3.2\\_eligibility.htm](https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/nihgps/HTML5/section_11/11.3.2_eligibility.htm)

Applicants must show evidence of high academic performance in the sciences and commitment to a career as an independent researcher.

- Postdoctoral candidates must have received a PhD, MD, DO, DC, DDS, DVM, OD, DPM, ScD, DrPH, DNSc, PharmD, PsyD, or equivalent doctoral degree from an accredited domestic or foreign institution.
- By the time of the award, the individual must be a citizen or a non-citizen national of the United States or have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence (i.e., possess a currently valid Permanent Resident Card USCIS Form I-551, or other legal verification of such status).
- This fellowship program may not be used to support the clinical years of residency training. However, these awards are appropriate for the research fellowship years of a residency program.
- Research clinicians must devote full-time to their proposed research training and confine clinical duties to those activities that are part of the research training program.

**Duration of support:** Funding for two years of support provided. Trainees may apply for an additional year.

**Amount of support:** Based upon the NIH stipend schedule as outlined in the link below. Faculty sponsors may, at their discretion and with department and institutional approval, supplement the NIH stipend, but only from a non-federal, non-sponsored funding source.

[NOT-OD-24-104: Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award \(NRSA\) Stipends, Tuition/Fees and Other Budgetary Levels Effective for Fiscal Year 2024 \(nih.gov\)](#)

**How to apply:**

Postdoctoral candidates should submit the following sections (page limits in parentheses) as a single PDF to [Rebecca.Gigliello@umassmed.edu](mailto:Rebecca.Gigliello@umassmed.edu):

- Synopsis of Proposed Research (1 page). Must include:
  - Background
  - Specific Aims
  - Brief Description of Proposed Study Design
- A letter of reference from the identified faculty mentor describing the mentoring plan and support for the planned project (2 pages)
- Biosketch of applicant and mentor(s) (NIH guidelines, 5 pages each)
- 2 Letters of Reference not from mentor (1 should be from thesis advisor, if applicable- 6 pages)

**Submission Deadline Date:**

Applications will be reviewed and appointments will be made on a rolling basis. Send completed applications on or before **July 12, 2024 by 5:00 pm EST** to: [Rebecca.Gigliello@umassmed.edu](mailto:Rebecca.Gigliello@umassmed.edu)