

Request for Applications

TL1 Predoctoral Clinical and Translational Research Training Program

Summer 2020 Appointment

Anticipated start date: July 1

PROGRAM SUMMARY

TL1 Program Directors:

Won Choi, PhD, MPH

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Steve Leeder, PharmD, PhD

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Frontiers: University of Kansas Clinical and Translational Science Institute invites applicants from all Frontiers affiliated institutions to apply to the NIH-funded 1-year TL1 Predoctoral Clinical and Translational Research Training Program. The award is specifically designed to stimulate interest in clinical research careers for MD, DO, PharmD, DPT and DDS students within the final two years of their clinical doctoral degree, by creating a dual-degree training track designed to foster active learning and clinical and translational science career development. Frontiers is wholly committed to attracting and welcoming diverse early stage researchers to its institutions. Underrepresented minorities and those from disadvantaged backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

Benefits of the Program

Those selected for the TL1 award receive:

- One year of training and support
- Tuition remission for MS-CR coursework
- Monthly NIH NRSA Predoctoral trainee stipend
- Intensive mentored research experience with formal training in clinical and translational research skills
- Up to \$4,200 in research funds (e.g. project supplies, publication costs, consultant services, etc.) per year and additional travel support to the national Association for Clinical and Translational conference and other conferences

Structure and Metrics of the TL1 Program

Structure:

Early in the program trainees are mentored to determine their clinical and translational research strengths, weaknesses and training needs to create an individual career development plan (IDP). The IDP along with input from TL1 program leadership and mentors guide each trainee's individual training experience. To further enhance the experience, opportunities to participate in regular seminars, grant writing workshops, externships and multidisciplinary mentorship are provided.

Metrics:

Program achievement metrics include both quantitative (i.e. publications, poster presentations, etc.) and qualitative (knowledge/skills in research methods, perceived benefits of mentorship interactions and readiness to promote team science) measures.

Eligibility

Individuals from Frontiers affiliated institutions that meet the following requirements are eligible to apply:

- United States citizen, non-citizen national, or permanent resident
- Currently enrolled in an MD, DO, DPT, DNP, PharmD a DDS or other clinical program at a Frontiers affiliated institution
- Proof of prerequisite coursework completion in basic sciences and mathematics
- Approved leave of absence from your current program to complete the MS-CR coursework and participate exclusively in Frontiers sponsored or approved activities

How to Apply

If you are interested in the TL1 Predoctoral Clinical and Translational Research Training Award, please set up a meeting with Dr. Won Choi to discuss your mentorship plan and research interests. Meeting arrangements with Dr. Choi can be made via Amy Smith, Frontiers Training Navigator, at asmith63@kumc.edu.

Complete TL1 Application (submitted in one pdf to Amy Smith asmith63@kumc.edu):

1. A personal statement with a description of your previous research experience and career objectives. You may use the same personal statement for your MS-CR application.
2. A 1-page proposal for a mentored research project
3. Your resume/CV
4. NIH biosketch from the proposed primary mentor
5. Three letters of support from:
 - **Your research mentor** describing how you integrate into the mentor's currently funded research efforts and how you actively participate in a research project suitable for first-authored publication at the end of your dedicated year of research training.
 - **The Dean** of your current academic program
 - **One additional** letter of support

Key Dates:

Applications due Friday, January 3, 2020

Award notifications sent out no later than Tuesday, February 4, 2020

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