Opening for K12 Career Development Award in Women’s Health and/or Sex/Gender Differences Research

Proposals due October 19th, 2015

The Oregon BIRCWH (Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health) K12 program announces a special funding opportunity for OHSU junior faculty members to conduct women’s health and/or sex/gender differences research.

The BIRCWH program provides salary support and fringe benefits, limited research funding, and an infrastructure to support mentored career development for junior faculty interested in interdisciplinary basic, translational, behavioral, clinical, population, and/or health services women’s health and/or sex/gender differences research.

Proposals are due October 19th, 2015 (details below) for a two-year appointment beginning January 1, 2016.

Please send a brief email to bircwh@ohsu.edu indicating your potential interest in applying as soon as possible. We do not need details about your application and this is not binding; it is exclusively to facilitate our preparation for review and to disseminate additional information of interest to you (e.g. planned Committee presentation dates).

Eligibility. Applicants must: be U.S. citizens or non-citizen nationals, or individuals lawfully admitted for permanent residence (by January 1, 2016); hold a clinical or nonclinical doctoral degree or its equivalent (and have no more than 6 years of research or research training experience beyond their last doctoral degree); commit a minimum of 75% full-time professional effort to conduct women’s health research; have identified mentors with extensive research experience; and NOT be (nor have been) a PI on an R01, R29, program project, center, or K award.

The applicant’s Department must: agree to provide scholar salary support (75% protected time for research) for the last five months of the scholar’s appointment, in the event that the BIRCWH grant is not renewed; and commit at least $10,000/year in discretionary funds to the scholar, if appointed, which is added to the institution’s commitment of $15,000/year toward the scholar’s research projects and training.

Support. Scholars will receive salary support and OPE for 75% FTE up to a maximum of $95,000(salary and OPE) and up to $25,000/year for research, supplies, and travel. S/he will be appointed as an OCTRI scholar, which will give him or her access to core OCTRI services, including statistics, IRB, regulatory compliance, etc. (Some limitations will apply to these services.) This is an interdisciplinary research training program, so scholars must have multiple mentors who represent different disciplines.

To apply. The application consists of 7 elements and should be no more than 6 pages in length. You must identify a mentoring team, outline a research plan, and describe how this scholar position will help advance your career goals.
Application Details (maximum 6 pages)
1. Summary of applicant’s career goals relating to women’s health and/or sex/gender differences research
2. Research plan
3. Proposed mentors (designate primary mentor)
4. Vision of how this training program would advance your goals
5. Timeline – two-year timeline with details regarding future funding (K01, K08, R21, R01 or equivalent)
6. Biographical sketches of applicant and mentors (not included in page limit)
7. Letter of Support from Department/Division Chair (not included in page limit). This letter must ensure:
   • Support for faculty appointment
   • 75% FTE commitment to research, possible by appointment date
   • Agreement to cover salary and fringe that exceeds allowable salary/fringe
   • Agreement to cover salary and fringe benefits for last five months of appointment past the end of the program’s grant cycle, if not renewed
   • Office/research space and additional resources
   • Agreement to provide $10,000/year in discretionary funds to the faculty if appointed to support their research

Please email application materials to: bircwh@ohsu.edu

For questions or more information, please contact BIRCWH Program Director Jeanne-Marie Guise, MD, MPH at guisej@ohsu.edu or Program Coordinator Daniel Johnson, BS at johdanie@ohsu.edu.

More Information. Learn more about the program on the Oregon BIRCWH website: http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/health/services/women/bircwh/