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Funding and Training Opportunity! CTSI Scholars Program (K12) for Junior Faculty in Clinical and Translational Research Request for Applications and LOI

The Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI) is accepting applications for the CTSI Scholars Program, a training opportunity for junior faculty investigators conducting clinical or translational research in health-care related areas.

The [CTSI Scholars Program](#) provides up to two years of support for salary, travel, training, and mentoring for scholars with demonstrated potential to attain independence as clinical and translational scientists. The fundamental goal of the program is to assist scholars in developing the skills and experience necessary to become independent researchers. The program emphasizes productivity, collaborative research, career development and translational science. Individuals who do not previously have methodologic training in clinical research are encouraged to participate in the NYU MS in Clinical Investigation or equivalent training.

Funding will be through the NYU CTSI's K12 award, through institutional funds or through a combination.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Faculty must hold an Instructor or Assistant Professor appointment at the time of funding, with at least one year of full-time research experience in clinical/translational research and with the expectation of staying at NYU for at least the duration of the award.
- Affiliation with any unit or school within the University or CTSI-affiliated New York City Health + Hospitals institutions.
- Working towards research independence with the aim of securing "next level" federal funding.
- Cannot be funded by the NIH K12 award if you have another NIH K- or R-level grant funded/submitted or pending review.
- U.S. citizenship or permanent residency required for K12 funding at the time of funding.

Time Commitment and Support

Time Commitment: Scholars devote 75% of full-time professional effort to the program for training and their own research activities. The remaining 25% can be divided among other clinical, administrative, and teaching responsibilities that are consistent with the proposed goals of the program. CTSI scholars' salary support is set at 75 percent of an applicant's salary for his or her current academic appointment, up to a possible maximum of \$100,000 plus fringe. Surgeons can request salary support of 50%.

Support:

- Tuition:** \$1,950 per year is provided to scholars for tuition and fees.
- Travel:** \$2,000 per year is provided to scholars to attend the Association of Clinical and Translational Science (ACTS) Conference or an alternative conference approved by the Program Directors. Scholars are expected to attend the ACTS conference at least once in two years. Travel costs include scholar registration, airfare, hotel, and associated transportation (to and from the airport, tolls, parking), meals, and incidentals.
- Research Related Support:** \$11,500 per year is provided to support research expenses, such as supplies, services, and research-related activities.
- Training activities:** CTSI scholars have access to the training resources and workshops of the CTSI.

Application Timeline:

LOI Deadline: June 30, 2026, at 5:00 PM EST

Full Applications Due: September 4, 2026, at 5:00 PM EST

Awards Announced: November 2, 2026

Funding Start: January 15, 2027

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you are interested in applying, we ask that you submit a non-competitive, non-binding letter of intent to help us determine the number of reviewers needed for evaluation.

LOI Guidelines

Submit an LOI of no more than **750 words** (11-point Arial, 0.5" margins) by **June 30, 2026 at 5:00 PM EST** via the [online application portal](#).

The LOI must include:

- Principal Investigator name, title, and affiliation
- Project title
- Research aims and rationale (~250 words)
- Brief description of proposed research and career development plan (~500 words)
- Anticipated mentor(s) and their departments

Full Application Process:

Complete the [CTSI Scholars Program Application form](#). The following application materials are required:

- an NIH biosketch (use the [SciENCv tool](#) for your biosketch);
- the NIH biosketch of your proposed mentor and co-mentor;
- a personal statement (no more than 500 words; 11 point Arial font, 0.5" margins) that describes your reasons for applying and your career plans beyond this training;
- a research plan (no more than 3 pages; 11 point Arial font, 0.5" margins);
- an individual development plan for the 2 years of the K12 award, including milestones agreed upon by you and your mentor (see example)
- a letter from your proposed primary research project mentor (must be a full-time member of the faculty or research scientist at NYU), addressing your potential to become an independent investigator, your proposed career development activities during the award and your mentor's track record of successful mentoring
- a second letter of recommendation addressing your potential to become an independent investigator from your secondary mentor or someone who is familiar with your work;
- a letter of support from your Dean, Department Chair, or Division Chief confirming their endorsement of your application. This letter should also specify that you will have at least 75% of your time available for coursework and/or research during the two or more years of the program with no more than ten (10) hours per week in unrelated teaching and/or clinical work.

Since this is an internal award, it does not require submission to the Sponsored Programs Administration Office.

Other Required Documents if Selected for the CTSI Scholars Program:

- **Human Subjects and Live Vertebrate Animals Approval:** The program is required to comply with the NCATS policy regarding research involving human subjects and live vertebrate animals. Scholar projects involving human subjects or live vertebrate animals are required to secure approval from NCATS before funds can be released and project work can begin.
 - If selected, scholars will be sent detailed instructions and the required documents for IRB/IACUC submission for their proposed research project.
 - Please be aware that the NCATS prior approval process takes a minimum of 30 days once a request is submitted to NCATS.
- **Research funds cannot be released until NCATS approval has been obtained.** Scholars are able to receive salary support.

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