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Director—Postdoctoral Translational Scholars Program (PTSP)
Education & Mentoring Group, Michigan Institute for Clinical & Health Research (MICHR)

The Michigan Institute for Clinical and Health Research (MICHR) seeks a Director to lead its Postdoctoral Translational Scholars Program (PTSP). This is a faculty position requiring a commitment of approximately 15% effort per 12-month calendar year.

The PTSP is a competitive, multidisciplinary career development program designed to prepare individuals already possessing a doctorate in a biomedical science or social science discipline for independent careers in clinical and translational research. The program provides trainees with an $85,000 career development award to be used over two years. Under the direction of a mentoring team that consists of a MICHR mentor, a mentor from the PhD discipline, and a clinical mentor, PTSP scholars develop their own tailored training program of coursework, mentored research, and clinical immersion experience, while also attending a monthly career development seminar series. See our website at https://www.michr.umich.edu/rdc/2016/3/18/post for more details.

DUTIES:

The Director of the PTSP will oversee the recruitment, application and admissions review process, including recruiting application reviewers; manage the orientation and mentor team meeting process; identify and recruit faculty to be MICHR mentors; in cooperation with the MICHR KL2 faculty lead, provide leadership for and contribute to the intellectual rigor of the MICHR fellowship seminar called MICHR Studio and other educational opportunities (curriculum development, etc.). The Director will be actively engaged with PTSP scholars to ensure their successful progression through the program. The Director will be a member of the Education and Mentoring Group (EMG), attending EMG leadership meetings and will actively engage in overall program planning with the EMG. The Director will also contribute to program development and expansion of mentoring resources in clinical and translational research.

MICHR Affiliated Faculty are expected to work in partnership with the other MICHR designated core members to advise the Education Director on implementation plans for priorities determined by the MICHR executive cabinet.

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

Candidates must hold a University of Michigan faculty position in a clinical or translational health field with an externally funded program of research. A clinician-scientist with clinical and research terminal degrees, e.g., PhD in combination with a PharmD, DDS, or MD, etc. is preferred. In addition, experience in the administration of education, mentoring, and/or career development programs and evidence of outstanding ability to provide scientific guidance to disciplinary and non-disciplinary mentees leading to papers, grants and study team/research positions is desired. The candidate will also have NIH study section experience; ability to facilitate and guide mentor-mentee relationships, as well as a desire and availability to attend planned program related activities.
Evidence of experience providing career guidance to diverse mentees beyond one’s discipline, and a track record of leadership in scholar training and investigator development.

Evidence of cross-disciplinary (more than cross departmental or cross divisional) scientific collaboration in research

Availability to attend all monthly MICHRI Studios and contribute intellectually to discussions

Availability to attend and lead the annual program orientation

Interest in contributing to planning orientations and MICHRI Studio content

Evidence of experience guiding competitive application process for a training award or educational program

Experience with NIH or other federal agency study sections/review groups including policies and practices

Knowledge of and engagement with responsible conduct of research and training in ethics for researchers

Evidence of capacity and gravitas necessary to intervene in a difficult mentor mentee relationship or situation, as requested, providing guidance and resources towards feasible and appropriate solution.

Evidence of ability to manage relationships with collaborating campus entities.

Availability and interest in attending national training meetings

Interested individuals should contact Tom Perorazio, PhD, Administrative Program Director—Education & Mentoring Group at tperoraz@med.umich.edu or 734-763-4320 for more information.

Please submit your CV and a letter of interest to tperoraz@med.umich.edu by March 31, 2018.