

Applicants Sought for the KL2 Mentored Research Career Development Program In Clinical and Translational Science

IMPORTANT DATES:

Informational Session

Competitive Letters of Intent due

Invitations to Apply

Applications due

Funding start date

November 18, 2020, 1:30-2:30 pm

January 4, 2021 by 5:00 pm

January 13, 2021

March 15, 2021 by 5:00 pm

July 1, 2021

The **Institute for Integration of Medicine and Science (IIMS)**, home to the NIH Institutional Clinical and Translational Science Award (CTSA) at UT Health San Antonio, is soliciting applications for the KL2 Mentored Research Career Development Program. The KL2 program targets early career faculty who have a professional doctoral degree or individuals who are completing postdoctoral training with an impending academic appointment. KL2 Scholars are selected on a competitive basis and will embark on a 2-3-year program of intensive training in clinical and/or translational research and science, combining an innovative educational program with mentored clinical/translational research. Completion of the program is expected to position the KL2 Scholar for a leadership role as an independent clinical/translational researcher and scientist in academic medicine, industry, or government.

Qualified candidates will hold a doctoral health professional degree, PhD, or equivalent degree, and have keen interest in careers that focus on clinical and/or translational research and science. Early career faculty from diverse disciplines including physicians, epidemiologists, behavioral scientists, biostatisticians, informaticians, pharmacologists, dentists, nurses, psychologists, engineers, and others are sought. All applicants must hold or be guaranteed a faculty position in effect July 1, 2021 at any of the following campuses, with the position not being contingent on receiving a KL2 award: UT Health San Antonio, UTSA, UT College of Pharmacy (San Antonio campus), the UT School of Public Health (San Antonio regional campus), and UT Austin. **Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.**

A minimum of 75% effort is **required** for each year of participation, with the exception of surgeons, who must devote a minimum of 50% effort on the KL2. Successful candidates will receive up to \$112,500/year or 75% of their institutional base salary (whichever is less) as well as \$25,000/year in research and travel support.

The IIMS anticipates funding up to 3 new KL2 Scholar positions available starting July 1, 2021. For each Scholar position, **the IIMS will fund the 1st 2 years of a Scholar's award.** A requirement of the program is to write an individual K award (e.g., K08 or K23) or R01 in Year 2. Given that these applications often take a couple of rounds to be funded, we strongly encourage the Scholar's home department to commit to providing 75% salary support (50% for surgeons) in Year 3 (2023-24) should the Scholar not obtain an individual K or R01 award by the end of their 2nd year. **Therefore, a letter of support from the applicant's department committing to the 3rd year of support is strongly encouraged. The application materials, consisting of the LOI, applicant's NIH format biosketch, and optional departmental letter are due Monday, January 4, 2021 at 5:00 pm.** Application materials will then be reviewed, and selected applicants will be invited to submit a full KL2 application by March 15, 2021.

All meeting times, application materials, information documents, application timelines are available online at http://iims.uthscsa.edu/ed_kl2_App_Info.html. Please refer to the website for the online application system link. For questions on the program, please contact KL2 Director, Joel Tsevat, MD, MPH (tsevat@uthscsa.edu). For questions regarding the application, please contact KL2 Program Coordinator Kathlynn Wray (wrayk@uthscsa.edu). UTHSCSA is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.