

# Models of Disease (MoD) Boot Camp

## REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

**Brief description of course:** This popular three-week course is designed for clinical fellows who are making the challenging transition back to the lab following completion of their clinical training and are now starting basic or translational research fellowships. The Models of Disease Boot Camp is offered annually in July, and consists of a variety of group activities that include interactive lectures presented by leading HMS faculty on their recent discoveries, reviews of topical updates in biomedical science by leaders in academia, and panel discussions on topics ranging from academic-industry interactions to strategies for translation to team science. Fellows enrolled in the course have the opportunity to lead discussions on key papers, attend sessions with department chairs to discuss job-negotiating strategies, and take part in career workshops and networking opportunities with senior research fellows and junior faculty. Graduates of previous camps have uniformly shared enthusiastic reviews about their experiences. The course meets on weekday mornings at Harvard Medical School from July 10<sup>th</sup>-July 28<sup>th</sup>. There is no tuition charge; all meals are provided.

**Who is the target audience?:** Current Harvard teaching hospital-based clinical trainees with substantive prior basic/translational research experience who are completing their clinical training and are planning to continue basic or translational projects in their postdoctoral research fellowships in 2017.

**Date applications are due for applicants:** 5/12/2017 at 5pm

**Endorsements Due:** 5/19/2017 at 5pm

**Date by which applicants will be notified:** 5/22/2017

**Course Dates:** weekday mornings from July 10-28, 2017

### **Selection process and criteria:**

Successful MoD applicants will have had substantive prior basic research experience and plan to pursue basic or translational projects in their research fellowship. Applications will be reviewed as they are submitted. Space is limited, and once the course is filled with qualified applicants, enrollment will be closed. Interested fellows are advised to submit their applications as soon as possible.

The expectation is that by accepting a seat in the Model of Disease Boot Camp, the participant is agreeing to attend the entirety of the course. As part of the application process, the fellow's clinical fellowship director and the research mentor will be requested to grant the applicant permission to be away from the lab or clinical duties for the duration of the course. If a participant must be absent for any portion of the course, it is the participant's responsibility to notify the course director.

**If you have any questions about the course or information above, please don't hesitate to ask. The course coordinator can be reached at [Frances Sullivan@hms.harvard.edu](mailto:Frances_Sullivan@hms.harvard.edu). Thomas Michel can be reached at [thomas\\_michel@hms.harvard.edu](mailto:thomas_michel@hms.harvard.edu).**