

Clinical Research Orientation Program for PhDs (CROPP)

REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS

Brief description: Clinical Research Orientation Program for PhDs (CROPP) is a 9 week program designed to give PhDs with an interest in clinical research first-hand experience within a clinical translational research setting. The program has three main components: mentor meetings, didactic curricula and visits to Harvard Catalyst's Clinical Research Centers (CRCs). Participants will learn about the Harvard Catalyst resources for clinical research that are available to them and will be empowered to launch their own clinical research careers.

Who is the target audience: PhDs with an interest in, but little or no experience with, clinical translational research

Date applications are due for applicants and endorsers: Friday, July 8, 2016 (applicants) and Wednesday, July 13, 2016 (endorsers)

Date by which applicants will be notified: Friday, July 29, 2016

Selection process and criteria:

Course participants will be selected based upon: (1) completed application and supervisor endorsement and (2) equitable institutional representation. Applicants must be able to commit to all sessions of the course.

Harvard Catalyst's Education Program offers first priority to applicants who are current Harvard students, faculty, or current employees of Harvard University, its ten schools, and its seventeen Academic Healthcare Centers (AHC), or that of Boston College School of Nursing, MIT, or Harvard Pilgrim Health Care. A complete list of participating institutions can be found on the Harvard Catalyst website: <http://catalyst.harvard.edu/about/> .

The next level of priority is awarded to members of the national Clinical Translational Science Award (CTSA) consortium. A complete list of participating institutions (CTSCs) can be found on the CTSA website: <https://www.ctsacentral.org/institutions> Applicants who are external to the groups listed above are accepted for a fee when space is available.

Tuition/fee for external participants: Please contact us for more information.

The expectation is that by accepting a seat in one of the Education Program courses, the participant is agreeing to attend the entirety of the course. As part of the application process, a supervisor's endorsement for course attendance, granting the applicant permission to be away from the lab or clinical duties for the duration of the course, will be automatically generated. If a participant must be absent for any portion of the course, it is the participant's responsibility to notify course coordinators, since attendance is taken at all sessions. If the participant cannot be

reached, the coordinators will then be obliged to notify the endorsing supervisor of the unexplained absence. Since the Education Program courses are expensive to produce, but are offered to Harvard and CTSC affiliates free-of-charge, the only obligation of participants is to fully attend and participate.

If you have any questions about the course or information above, please don't hesitate to ask. The course coordinators can be reached at CROPP@catalyst.harvard.edu.