Accepting Applications

Center Scientist Announcement

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The Michigan Lifestage Environmental Exposures and Disease (M-LEEaD) Center is accepting applications for two Center Scientists. The Center Scientist position provides special mentorship experiences to an early stage investigator and includes a contribution to salary and benefits. The Center Scientist is expected to engage in research that addresses the goals of the M-LEEaD Center to define, explain, or mitigate impacts of environmental exposures during vulnerable stages of life.

Center Scientists complete formal rotations with each of the core facility leaders (Exposure Assessment, Integrated Health Sciences, and Omics & Bioinformatics) and with the Community Engagement Core (CEC), gaining breadth of expertise in environmental health sciences approaches and learning the crucial role of community engagement. Center Scientists also work with a core leader to plan and execute an M-LEEaD workshop or other training program. The M-LEEaD Career Development Program encourages Center Scientist participation in career development programs at MICHRI, including the MICHRI K award grant writing workshop. Center Scientists prepare short quarterly reports and meet regularly with the M-LEEaD Career Development Program leader. Through engagement in these activities, M-LEEaD Center Scientists are provided opportunities for advanced training in environmental statistics, omics-related bioinformatics, research integrity and certification, professional development for teaching and service, seminar presentations, and attendance at national meetings.

APPLICATION DUE DATE
March 18, 2019

AWARDS
An award of up to $25,000 toward salary support plus associated benefits of the Center Scientist for one year. Two awards are intended to be made.

FUNDING PERIOD
The expected start date of support is May 1, 2019 with an end date of March 31, 2020.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS
Eligible applicants can be current postdoctoral trainees or research fellows. Junior faculty appointed as assistant professor, assistant research professor, clinical assistant professor, or assistant research scientist with less than two years in rank may also apply. Members of the M-LEEaD Center are encouraged to identify candidates. Applicant’s environmental health research must be without a foreign component.

APPLICATION PREPARATION GUIDELINES
To apply, applicants should provide the following:
1. A single PDF file that includes:
• Summary of research plan, including knowledge to be gained and relevance to the M-LEEaD Center and NIEHS strategic goals (2-page limit; minimum text size 11 point; 6 lines per inch; half-inch page margins on all sides);
• Description of training goals for the duration of the funding, including plans for research grant application(s) (1-page limit; minimum text size 11 point; 6 lines per inch; half-inch page margins on all sides);
• CV.

2. Letter of support from mentor (for postdoctoral trainee and research fellow applicants) or senior faculty member (for assistant professor, assistant research professor, clinical assistant professor, or assistant research scientist applicants) willing to serve as mentor within the applicant’s department, including detailed description of mentoring plan and research support for the applicant.

APPLICATION SUBMISSION INFORMATION
Application materials should be submitted electronically to the M-LEEaD Center Administrative Assistant, Michelle Daoud, at lowdenm@umich.edu.

Applications should be received by March 18, 2019 with an expected decision by April 19, 2019 and initiation of funding soon after.

FURTHER INFORMATION
Additional information about the M-LEEaD Center and its Career Development Program can be found here. The NIEHS Strategic Goals can be found here.

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