

**Opening for Postdoctoral Research Fellow
T32 Program on Biobehavioral Issues in Mental and Physical Health
Department of Psychology
University of California, Los Angeles**

Program Goal

The primary goal of our program is to train research scientists in the development and use of basic theories and research in psychology to elucidate issues in mental and physical health. The focus of the program is on research training in the integration of biological, psychological, social, and ethnic/racial, and cultural levels of analysis to study mental health in relation to physical health. Quantitative methods, diversity science, and translational science, including research with clinical populations, are training strengths of the program. Research goals that integrate new ways of investigating psychopathology in line with the RDoC are welcomed. <http://www.nimh.nih.gov/research-priorities/rdoc/index.shtml>
Underrepresented minorities, and persons with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply .

Program Structure

One scholar will be appointed for two years beginning July to September 2021. A postdoctoral scholar enters the program with a designated primary and secondary faculty mentor. Individualized plans of supervised research (IDPs), involvement in labs, and appropriate coursework are designed by each trainee with mentors and approved by training directors.

Faculty

The program is led by Professors Chris Dunkel Schetter (Director), Julie Bower (Co-Director), and Annette Stanton (Co-Director). Nearly 20 faculty in psychology and other departments and schools at UCLA serve as faculty mentors in the program. These individuals have expertise in the following areas: Biological processes in mental and physical health and disorders; Psychoneuroimmunology; Stress, coping, and social support processes; Health behavior, obesity, and addiction; Ethnic, cultural, and socioeconomic influences on mental and physical health. See website for full list of program faculty and their areas of research expertise: <https://health.psych.ucla.edu/fellowships/>. You may consult Director Dunkel Schetter regarding currently available primary and secondary mentors.

Requirements

Applicants must have completed a Ph.D. from an accredited psychology program. In order to qualify for this federally funded grant, an applicant must be a U.S. citizen, a non-citizen national, or a foreign national possessing a visa permitting permanent residence in the U.S. Applicants are not eligible if they have received 3 years of prior PHS support.

Stipend

Stipend levels are set by the NIMH and depend on years of post-doctoral experience.

How to Apply

Applicants should send a brief letter describing: (1) their background, (2) area(s) of interest and possible mentors, (3) proposed objectives for the fellowship. A curriculum vitae and selected prints/reprints should be included. Applicants should also arrange for three letters of reference to be sent directly to the address (post or email) below. All correspondence should be addressed to:

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We review applications and conduct telephone or in-person interviews to make final decisions. Postdoctoral offers are made on the basis of the strength of the applicant, fit with the program, and maintenance of a balance of interests among the faculty mentors. **Review of applications is ongoing and will continue until the position is filled. Last date for application is January 1.** For more information please visit our website: <https://health.psych.ucla.edu/fellowships/>