



Wilmot Cancer Institute 2022 Predoctoral Research Fellowship Request for Applications

The Wilmot Cancer Institute Research Fellowship Program at the University of Rochester Medical Center is supported by the Wilmot Foundation, named in honor of Rochester businessman and philanthropist James P. Wilmot. The program provides support for cancer research training for emerging scientists, with the goal of enabling them to build an independent career in the investigation of the causes, diagnosis, treatment, prevention or management of cancer or its side effects. Wilmot predoctoral fellowships, open to PhD or MD/PhD candidates under the mentorship of a Wilmot Cancer Institute member, provide two years of support. The Wilmot Cancer Institute anticipates making up to three predoctoral awards each year.

Important Dates

Application due date: February 11, 2022

Anticipated award notification: May, 2022

Anticipated start date: July 1, 2022

Eligibility

Applicants must be URMIC PhD or MD/PhD candidates. The applicant's primary mentor must be a member of the Wilmot Cancer Institute. Applicants must have successfully completed their qualifying examination.

Budget

Awardees will receive a contribution of \$15,000 per year toward their graduate stipend. In addition, awardees will receive \$5,000 per year for other research expenses, including travel to relevant scientific conferences.

Application and Review Process

Applicants must submit applications via the online application questionnaire available at this link:

<https://redcap.urmc.rochester.edu/redcap/surveys/?s=7J3LHXPJFN>.

Application instructions and formatting details are available online here:

<https://rochester.box.com/v/WilmotPreDocInstructions>.

After administrative review, a scientific review committee made up of cancer research scientists from other academic medical centers will rank applications and submit award recommendations to the Board of Trustees of the James P. Wilmot Foundation. The Wilmot Cancer Institute will notify applicants of the Board's decisions in May, 2021.

Terms and Conditions

- The term of the award is two years.
- Awardees must be engaged in a research project that primarily involves the causes, diagnosis, treatment, prevention or management of cancer or its side effects.
- The Wilmot Cancer Institute Predoctoral Research Fellowship does not support clinical training. Predoctoral awardees must be engaged in full-time graduate research training throughout the award period.
- Wilmot strongly encourages awardees to apply for individual F31 or other appropriate fellowship awards, and to plan such an application as a training goal to be addressed during the Wilmot Fellowship award period.
- Each awardee is required to attend the Wilmot Seminar Series, held on a weekly basis during the academic year.
- Each awardee is required to attend monthly meetings of one of the three Wilmot research programs with their mentors.

Contacts

Please contact Thom Fogg at thomas_fogg@urmc.rochester.edu with questions about the program or application process.