ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Positions are available in the Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Awards Program (IRACDA) at Tufts University. This NIH-funded program is designed to prepare talented postdoctoral scholars with the career skills needed to succeed in academic biomedical research. Scholars spend on average 75% of their time conducting research and 25% of their time in career development activities that will help them manage the multiple demands of a faculty position. Opportunities are available in a wide range of biomedical research disciplines. Teaching skills are developed through programs involving mentored classroom assignments at colleges serving diverse populations in the Boston area. Workshops cover essential skills such as grant and manuscript writing, science communication, mentoring, lab management, and inclusive teaching methods. The training components are sequenced to allow scholars to balance the activities and to build on previous experiences.

IRACDA postdoc scholars receive up to four years of salary support with benefits, and a yearly travel and supply fund. They complete the program ready to manage a successful research program, teach courses to diverse student populations, and balance the multi-faceted demands inherent in a career as an academic scientist. 89% of our program alumni have taken positions at institutions of higher education across the country, and 85% of those are in tenure-track positions! All others have gone into industry leadership positions!

APPLICATION INFORMATION

The application deadline for positions beginning in the fall (Sept. 1) of 2024 is Wednesday, February 1, 2024. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents with no more than two years of completed postdoctoral training at the time of their appointment to the program. The strongest candidates will have outstanding academic and research credentials, an interest in teaching, mentoring, and increasing diversity in STEM fields, and desire to pursue a career in academia. Application Portal access and all other information may be found on our website. JUST GOOGLE “TUFTS IRACDA”!

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