Presidential Postdoctoral Fellows Program

Rutgers University welcomes applications for its inaugural cohort of Presidential Postdoctoral Fellows. Appointment is for a two-year term starting July 1, 2022, with the possibility of subsequent appointment to a tenure-track faculty position at one of the four Rutgers University campuses: Rutgers-New Brunswick, Rutgers Biomedical and Health Sciences, Rutgers-Newark, and Rutgers-Camden. Applicants may request to be affiliated with a particular campus across the Rutgers corridor, although all placements will be made in consultation with departmental and campus leadership.

Fellows will receive a $65,000 annual salary, $10,000 in discretionary research funds per year, an office, computer, health benefits, and a dedicated mentor. Fellows will typically teach one class or equivalent during the academic year. Fellows will also have the opportunity to participate in meetings and workshops structured for the purposes of networking, social interaction, and supporting professional development.

Presidential Postdoctoral Fellows will be appointed in one of three priority areas of strength at Rutgers:

- Presidential Postdoctoral Fellows in **Race, Racism, and Inequality** will conduct research into the structural, systemic, institutional, and individual effects of racism and discrimination, both historically and today, in all domains of the humanities, social sciences, and professional schools, including but not limited to area studies, business, criminal justice and the carceral state, families, education, environmental and climate justice, labor, law, media, public policy, urban planning, or other related fields.

- Presidential Postdoctoral Fellows in **Health Equity** will conduct basic, clinical, translational, community-engaged, and population-based research in the biomedical sciences, social sciences, behavioral, psychological sciences and related fields that addresses health inequalities, including but not limited to research on pathogenesis, chronic disease, mental health, disease prevention and treatment, access to healthcare, and public health.

- Presidential Postdoctoral Fellows for **Advancing STEM Diversity** will conduct leading work in any area of the physical, biological or biomedical sciences, earth sciences, computer sciences, engineering, mathematics, or in areas of convergence among multiple fields that define an emergent domain of research (e.g. AI and the data sciences, computational biology, interdisciplinary climate science, etc.).

Apply to the Rutgers Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship
Eligibility

Applicants must have completed their terminal degree (Ph.D., MFA, D.F.A., M.D. J.D. or other appropriate degree) no later than June 30th in the year of appointment at Rutgers and within three years of the start date of appointment at Rutgers (i.e. no earlier than June 30, 2019 for appointments beginning July 1, 2022). Fellows will be selected on the basis of scholarly promise and potential to add to the diversity of the Rutgers community. Fellows are expected to participate in annual cohort meetings and events, attend departmental events, and participate in mentoring activities associated with the Fellowship. Fellows must be U.S. Citizens or permanent residents.

Required Application Materials

- cover letter describing the applicant's education, research areas, and fields of interest
- Rutgers University values contributions to diversity, equity, and inclusion (diversity.rutgers.edu). We encourage applicants to comment (in a separate statement or in the cover letter) about how their research, teaching, and/or service in the past, present, and/or future could contribute to these values
- curriculum vitae, including publications, awards, honors, current and pending funding (if any)
- a Proposed Research Plan that describes what the applicant aims to achieve during the term of his /her/their appointment. Applicants should use this Plan to make any requests for specific placements at Rutgers and to explain why such a placement would be beneficial. Plans may be no longer than 3 pages, single-spaced, with one-inch margins, in 11 pt font.
- a writing sample of no more than 25 pages or a sample of prior research
- three letters of reference, one of which should be from the applicant's dissertation or thesis advisor

Have questions about applying or need further information?

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