



The Division of Physician-Scientists announces the first request for applications for the [Dean's Scholars Program](#).

Supported by an [Institutional Training Grant Award from the Burroughs Welcome Fund](#) to enhance training of MD-only candidates performing basic science research, the program seeks to support outstanding individuals committed to a career as a physician-scientist. This program aims to alleviate the Scholar's financial stress and provide them with mentorship, institutional support, and the protected time necessary to generate data and publications. At the end of the support period Scholars will be competitive for NIH K08 and related awards and be on the path to a successful career. Women and minorities underrepresented in medicine are especially encouraged to apply.

The ideal applicant has completed most if not all clinical training, is currently focused on laboratory research, and seeks additional research support and protected time to be competitive for research career development awards, such as a K08. However, applicants at other stages of training will be considered. Women and minorities underrepresented in medicine are especially encouraged to apply.

Applicants will be evaluated based on their evidence of commitment to research, the quality of their research proposal, the strength of their mentorship team and training environment, and the impact that support from the Dean's Scholars program would have on their career. Semi-finalists will be interviewed by the DPS for final selections. The DPS anticipates making up to five Scholar awards this year.

Eligible applicants must:

- Have an MD degree (MD-PhDs are not eligible).
- Have completed most if not all clinical training and be currently focused on laboratory research. Applicants at other stages of training will also be considered.
- Have at least 75% time (preferably more) devoted to basic science research for non-surgical specialties.
- Propose a basic science project. Clinical or epidemiological research is not appropriate for this program. Translational research is acceptable if the work is primarily laboratory-based.
- Be eligible for mentored support, such as NIH K award.
- NOT already have a K award or related mentored or independent grant at the time of application.
- If selected for an interview, applicant must be available for a 30-minute time slot on Monday, June 15, 2020 between 1:00-4:00pm.

Applications are due to physicianscientists@wustl.edu by **May 15, 2020**. Please see our [website](#), along with the attached [RFA](#) and [Facepage](#) for complete instructions. If selected for an interview, applicant must be available for a 30-minute time slot on Monday, June 15 between 1:00-4:00 pm.

Note: We will continually monitor the COVID-19 situation and update deadlines as needed. If you are unable to meet the application deadline due to issues related to COVID-19 please let us know.

Have questions or need guidance? Contact Jacqui Hawkins, PhD jahawkin@wustl.edu

Sincerely,

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Attachments:

[Dean's Scholar RFA](#)
[Dean's Scholar Facepage](#)

