Join Us in Promoting Careers in Aging

The Gerontological Society of America (GSA) and the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education (AGHE) are preparing for the sixth annual Careers in Aging Week, which will take place from April 8–14, 2007. Its purpose is to introduce to a broad audience the wide-ranging career opportunities that exist in the field of aging and to promote GSA and AGHE as the premier organizations for supporting career development in the field of gerontology.

AGHE has created a website (www.careersinaging.com) that provides extensive information on the different career tracks and academic programs in gerontology. The site is a resource for individuals who are unfamiliar with the field of aging as well as for those who may have some knowledge but want to know more about aging-related careers.

The two organizations both extend invitations to their members, as well as members of the gerontological honor society Sigma Phi Omega, to participate. Individuals are asked to submit brief proposals to GSA of activities to take place on their campuses or in their organizations during the week. Examples of proposed activities include sponsoring forums with panels of professionals in the aging field, holding receptions with gerontology faculty and students, and offering open houses in university gerontology departments. During the past five years, an average of over 80 institutions have participated each year.

In addition to the website, GSA and AGHE have created special printed material including careers in aging brochures and booklets, flyers, posters, pins, and notepads. To sign up for this year’s Careers in Aging Week, please contact Jessica Clark at jclark@geron.org.

AJN Reports Highlight Methods for Addressing Hearing, Vision Impairment

The American Journal of Nursing’s (AJN) latest two articles in their “New Look at the Old” series discuss strategies to deal with changes in hearing and vision that occur as a part of the aging process. Broken into two parts under the title “Sensory Impairment in Older Adults,” these reports can be found online at www.nursingcenter.com/ajnolderadults.

Readers are provided with assessment strategies and information on a range of interventions — from environmental changes to state-of-the-art assistive technologies — all geared to maximize safety, function and communication where impairments exist. These articles provide simple tests and specific strategies to better address these problems.

This series represent a collaborative effort among the AJN, The Gerontological Society of America, and Trinity Healthforce Learning. It is funded by Atlantic Philanthropies with additional support from the Nurses Service Organization. The venture — designed to provide information and skills to improve the care and well-being of older adults — has already received several professional distinctions. Most recently it was bestowed the Silver Award for Best Feature Series from The American Society of Healthcare Publications Editors.
Don’t forget………

Important Dates for the 2007 AGHE Annual Meeting

Deadline for Registering in Room-Sharing Program
February 2, 2007

Deadline for Advertising in the Program Book
February 3, 2007

Deadline for Reserving Exhibit Space
February 3, 2007

Deadline for Hotel Reservations
February 14, 2007

Deadline for “Early Bird” Pre-Registration
February 15, 2007

Tibbitts Award Nominations Sought

The Awards Committee invites you to submit nominations for the 2008 Clark Tibbitts Award, to be presented at AGHE’s 34th Annual Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland. This award recognizes individuals and organizations that have made outstanding contributions to the advancement of gerontology as a field of study in institutions of higher education. The selection criteria include (1) national impact, (2) involvement in either gerontology or geriatric education, and (3) evidence that the nominee’s career/work has advanced the goals and mission of AGHE.

Send your nomination packet to the chair of the AGHE Awards Committee: Kathryn L. Braun, DrPH, School of Public Health, University of Hawaii, 1960 East West Road Room C106, Honolulu, HI, 96822. Packets must include a letter of nomination, up to four supporting letters, and the nominee’s résumé. The deadline for receipt of nominations is February 2, 2006.

Funding Opportunities

Paul Beeson Career Development Awards in Aging Research Program

The National Institute on Aging (NIA), The NIH Office of Dietary Supplements, The John A. Hartford Foundation, Atlantic Philanthropies (USA), the Starr Foundation, and an anonymous donor are collaborating on this initiative to sustain and promote the research careers of clinically trained individuals who are pursuing research careers in aging, the Paul Beeson Career Development Awards in Aging Research Program. This program provides three to five years of mentored career development support to clinically-trained faculty members in strong research environments to enable them to gain skills and experience in aging research, under the guidance of a mentor or mentors, and to establish an independent program of research in this field. The application receipt date is December 20, 2006.

http://www.afar.org/beeson.html

If you are interested in receiving additional information about gerontological education, training, and research issues and resources, consider becoming an AGHE subscriber!

Visit the AGHE website (www.aghe.org) for additional details.
In Memoriam

GSA has learned that Sandra C. Howell, a long-time member and Fellow, passed away in May 2006 at the age of 77. She was formerly a professor in the Department of Architecture at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 1969, while working for GSA in St. Louis, she co-authored (with Martin Loeb) a monograph as a supplement to *The Gerontologist*. Her later research dealt with patterns of use of both public and private spaces within purpose-built elderly housing. Howell also served as an elected member of the Environmental Design Research Association’s board of directors.

Paul Baltes, a GSA Fellow and former chair of the Behavioral and Social Sciences Section, died in early November in Berlin, Germany. He was director of the Center of Lifespan Psychology at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development and a professor of psychology at the Free University of Berlin. He received his doctorate from the University of Saarbrücken (in Saarland, Germany) in 1967. Before returning to Germany in 1980, Baltes spent 12 years as professor of psychology and/or human development at several American institutions, including Pennsylvania State University, where he directed the Division of Individual and Family Studies. After the passing of his late wife Margaret Baltes, he established a foundation in her name. GSA’s annual Margaret M. Baltes award is given in conjunction with this organization.

Colleague Connected!

This month’s $25 amazon.com gift certificate winner:

**Nancy M. Watson**

(She became eligible after referring new member Susan Glose.)

The winner was randomly selected using randomizer.org!

For more details on the Colleague Connection promotion, which includes a chance to win free lodging at the annual meeting, visit [www.geron.org/ColleagueConnection.htm](http://www.geron.org/ColleagueConnection.htm)

New Member Publications

**Women in Anthropology: Autobiographical Narratives and Social History**

edited by Maria G. Cattell & Marjorie M. Schweitzer.

Published by Left Coast Press.

**Encyclopedia of Gerontology (2nd Edition)**

edited by James E. Birren. Published by Academic Press.

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2007 AGHE Reflections Calendar

now available at www.aghe.org

Mark your year with stirring and inspiring images of older adults caught in the act of living! The 2007 AGHE Reflections Calendar is a continuing reminder of the joys and challenges of growing old, and of the importance of the work done by professionals in the fields of gerontology and geriatrics.

This year’s calendar is once again in the format of an 8½” x 11” wall-mountable calendar, providing you with enough room to jot down important reminders. In addition, key dates for AGHE and The Gerontological Society of America are marked on the inside cover as well as throughout the year.

These inspiring and functional calendars are being sold for only $10 each, plus $3.85 shipping/handling. For orders of multiple calendars, all additional calendars will be shipped free of charge.

All proceeds benefit the Association for Gerontology in Higher Education, the educational unit of The Gerontological Society of America.
The University of Rochester is accepting applications for a 2-year NIH-funded research training program, beginning in 2006 or 2007. The program includes a mentored research experience and coursework leading to an MPH degree. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Further information and an application can be found at:
www.urmc.rochester.edu/medicine/geriatrics/ResearchGrant.aspx

or by calling Christine Carrier-Gray at: 585-341-6202

GERIATRICS FELLOWSHIP
IN CLINICAL AND HEALTH SERVICES RESEARCH

Section of Geriatrics offers a 2- to 3-year training program in Geriatric Clinical Epidemiology and Aging-Related Research, sponsored by the National Institute on Aging. The goal of the program is to provide highly qualified fellows (MDs or PhDs) with research skills in geriatric clinical epidemiology and an intensive research experience under the mentorship of experienced investigators in geriatric medicine and gerontology. Fellows will have access to resources and expertise through the Geriatric Medicine Program, the Program on Aging/Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center, the Robert Wood Johnson Clinical Scholars Program, the Investigative Medicine Program, and the School of Public Health.

Applicants should be committed to an academic career in aging-related research and must have completed their doctoral or clinical training before the start of the program.

Yale University is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Women and members of under-represented minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

Please refer to our website at:
http://info.med.yale.edu/intmed/geriatrics/fellowship/fellowhome.htm
or contact our Fellowship Coordinator, Robbin Bonanno, at robbin.bonanno@yale.edu or 203-688-9423

Virginia Tech is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Institution

The Department of Psychology at Salem State College is seeking to fill a tenure track position for the Fall of 2007. Responsibilities include a 12-hour teaching load including undergraduate and graduate courses in areas that may include general psychology, developmental psychology, and gerontology, and guiding student research. The position is advertised pending funding. Required qualifications include a Ph.D. or Psy.D. in Psychology or a closely related discipline from an accredited institution, with research interests in Gerontology. Also required are a strong commitment to teaching and research, and competency in the areas to be taught. Preferred qualifications include a Ph.D. in Lifespan Psychology. We also prefer candidates with experience in and commitment to teaching in a multicultural, multiethnic environment with students of diverse backgrounds and learning styles, as well as in distance learning and instructional technologies, and candidates who enjoy serving as role models and mentors for a diverse student body. The salary is competitive and commensurate with education and experience. Application review will begin in the fall of 2006 and continue until an adequate pool is developed.

To apply, send a letter of application, a brief statement of teaching and research interests, resume, appropriate transcripts and three letters of reference addressing teaching strengths and research potential, and selected reprints to:
Office of Human Resources & Equal Opportunity
352 Lafayette Street
Salem, MA 01970
Fax: 978-542-6163
Email: eo-hr@salemstate.edu (Word Attachments Only)
Reference Code: 07-AA-F-PSY-LS/GER

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Racial Disparities a Persistent Problem, Report Finds

The Alliance for Health Reform has released a four-page issue brief, which reviews the types of disparities that minority populations face, some programs underway to reduce disparities, and proposals for future action. Also included is a list of expert sources with telephone numbers, and helpful websites. The study was funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. To download, go to www.allhealth.org/publications/pub_38.pdf.

AMDA Seeks Nominees for Medical Director of the Year

The American Medical Directors Association (AMDA) is asking long term care facilities and their interdisciplinary leaders to identify outstanding medical directors—those individuals whose vision, passion, leadership, and commitment succeed in taking patient care to high levels of quality, excellence, and innovation. These physicians will be featured in a series of articles. And, one practitioner will be named “Medical Director of the Year” and honored at AMDA’s Annual Symposium. Leading candidates will be selected by a panel of interdisciplinary long term care leaders. The top nominees will be featured in articles in Caring for the Ages and on the AMDA Web site (www.amda.com). The individual selected as outstanding medical director will receive a special plaque honoring his/her accomplishments, complimentary registration to AMDA’s Annual Symposium, and a gift certificate for AMDA products and publications. Additionally, he/she will be honored at the 2007 Symposium and participate in a panel discussion on “Best Practices in Interdisciplinary Care” at the 2008 program. Applications must be received by February 7, 2007. Nominations will be accepted online at http://www.amda.com/awards/mdoty.cfm. For more information, contact Marcie O’Reilly, AMDA Director of Membership and Communications, at 410/740-9743 or moreilly@amda.com.

Service Offers Alerts on Research News

The Massachusetts Medical Society, publisher of the New England Journal of Medicine, offers free e-mail updates with news from 11 different medical specialties on its Journal Watch site (http://www.jwatch.org). The latest addition to the updates is called Physician’s First Watch, “designed to provide a highly concise synopsis of the last 24 hours of important medical news within the first three minutes of a physician’s day.” Physician’s First Watch is a free email that is sent by 7:30 a.m. ET each weekday morning and features three to five clinically focused briefs. It includes current medical news with full citations and links to Medline abstracts.

Study Finds Greater Proportion of Older People Working

As the baby boom generation anticipates retirement, a growing proportion of older Americans are remaining in the workforce. According to Older Americans Update 2006: Key Indicators of Well-Being, an updated report from the Federal Interagency Forum on Aging-Related Statistics, labor force participation rates for older women have increased significantly since the mid-1980s and for older men since the mid-1990s. The Forum is comprised of 13 federal departments and agencies, including NIA, that collect, provide, and use data on aging. The report is designed to serve policymakers, the media, and the public with an interest in the well-being of older Americans. It provides updated information on a variety of topics, including labor force participation, leading causes of death, health care use, and other important areas. Interested parties can get a copy of Older Americans Update 2006: Key Indicators of Well-Being, the latest report in the Forum’s key indicator series, online at www.AgingStats.gov. Print copies are available by calling (866) 441-6247.

Two tenure-track faculty positions for 2007-08. Director of Gerontology/Associate Professor of Social Work with a specialty in gerontology. Direct practice and administrative experience preferred. Assistant Professor of Social Work, with a specialty in direct practice, MSW plus two years post-master’s experience preferred. Both positions require PhD or equivalent in social work or related field. Salary commensurate with qualifications. Review of applications will begin December 1, 2006, and will continue until position is filled.

Curriculum vita to: Margaret Sherraden, PhD, School of Social Work, University of Missouri-St. Louis, One University Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63121. EOE
POSITION OPEN: DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL OF AGING STUDIES AND CHAIR OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA COLLABORATIVE ON AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL

The School of Aging Studies at the University of South Florida is searching for a leader in the field of Gerontology to become the next Director of the School of Aging Studies and Chair of the USF Collaborative on Aging Advisory Council. We invite applicants with outstanding research credentials who wish to lead a highly productive, interdisciplinary program as it contributes to USF’s goal of becoming a top 50 public research university. The School of Aging Studies has been selected by the university administration as an area of focus for attaining this goal, and the next Director of the School will have resources and support commensurate with the goal. This is a 12-month, tenure track position with the appointment made at the full professor level, and is expected to begin in August 2007. Salary is negotiable. Applicants must have Ph.D. or comparable degree in Gerontology or a relevant field, and must have an outstanding record of scholarly activity and research funding. Academic administrative experience and excellence in teaching are preferred, but not required.

About The School of Aging Studies, the Collaborative on Aging, and the University of South Florida
The School of Aging Studies, which includes the Florida Policy Exchange Center on Aging, currently has 14 faculty, offers BA, BS and MA degrees, and hosts the interdisciplinary Ph.D. Program in Aging Studies. The new Director will lead a faculty that has a strong track record in publishing, research funding, and excellence in teaching. The faculty have research concentrations in aging and health, cognitive aging and Alzheimer’s disease, and public policy and long-term care. The School currently has $2.6 million in research funding, with the goal of continually increasing this funding. The Aging Studies Ph.D. Program, with 24 current students, is a major strength of the School and has graduated 21 students who have gone on to excellent research positions in academic, government, and private industry. The School of Aging Studies has over 150 majors in its bachelors and masters programs, and teaches over 3,000 students from other majors in its courses in Gerontology every year. The Collaborative on Aging, hosted by the School of Aging Studies, works to enhance USF’s strength in aging research, education, and service. The Collaborative consists of faculty from throughout USF, including the Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, the Florida Mental Health Institute, Florida ADRC, and USF Health, and provides leadership and support for multidisciplinary research and education programs. The School of Aging Studies and Collaborative on Aging have a combined annual state-funded operating budget of $1.6 million. The University of South Florida, with its main campus in Tampa, is a metropolitan-based Research 1 university enrolling more than 42,000 students. The School of Aging Studies has been described by the President of the University as “one of our top priorities and is one of the University of South Florida’s beacons of excellence.” Further information about our aging programs is available at http://www.cas.usf.edu/agingstudies/

TO APPLY
Please send a statement describing your research, administrative, and teaching experience, a current CV, and the names and contact information for at least three references to the chair of the search committee. References will not be contacted without permission of applicant. Review of applications will begin on January 15, 2007 and continue until the position is filled. Send materials to:
Dr. Cathy L. McEvoy, Search Committee Chair
School of Aging Studies, MHC1300
University of South Florida
4202 E. Fowler Ave.
Tampa, Florida, 33620-8100
Email: cmcevovoy@shell.cas.usf.edu
Phone: (813) 974-1940

According to Florida Law, applications and meetings regarding them are open to the public.
For ADA accommodations, please contact Ms. Gail Smith (813-974-9742), at least five working days prior to need.
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Emerging Scholars and Professional Organization
As a New Engander, December used to be one of my favorite times of the year – cool weather, holiday decorations, and the excitement of skiing and ice skating in the near future. And then I went to school. If you’re like me, December, the end of the semester, is filled with stress, late nights and too much coffee. This month’s ESPO article will discuss time management and tips to avoid burnout.

It is easy to get overwhelmed when thinking about what seems like an impossible amount of work to be accomplished in what seems like an impossibly small amount of time. Rather than focusing on everything together, it is often helpful to make a “To Do” list. To Do lists allow you to break big projects into smaller parts, making getting to your goal much more do-able. Because projects like literature reviews often require so much library work, preparation and reading, you may work for several days without seeing results, which often leads to frustration. Adding the articles you need to read and the outlining of the paper to your To Do list allows you to see what you have accomplished at the end of the day.

Prioritizing your To Do list will help you stay on task. Many of us feel an unnaturally pressing urge to clean our closets or organize our file cabinet during finals and paper season. Step back and decide how important the task is and rank it on your To Do list accordingly. Recognizing that although laundry is necessary, repainting the bathroom can wait a few weeks, may help you avoid procrastination.

Finally, don’t underestimate the importance of taking time to relax and unwind. It is easy to get so involved in our work that we neglect healthy activities such as exercise and maintaining relationships. Taking a break from work allows us to clear our minds and come back to the task refreshed. Other relaxation techniques such as yoga or meditation may also provide a study break, improve concentration and help avoid burnout.

As December arrives, the Emerging Scholars and Professional Organization would like to wish all its members a successful end of the semester. Don’t worry - that pile of work will shrink and, somehow, it will all get done.
Wayne State University’s Institute of Gerontology (IOG) invites dedicated graduate students and scholars to join us. Our pre- and post-doctoral research training program offers interdisciplinary expertise. Participating faculty represent:

- Psychology
- Neuroscience
- Economics
- Anthropology
- Nursing
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Epidemiology
- Rehabilitation Sciences

Nationally recognized as a leader in aging and urban health, the IOG is distinguished by relevant and innovative research, exceptional mentoring of students, and extensive community involvement. The IOG partners with scholars across campus and the nation and is a leader in Minority Aging Center grants. IOG faculty hold several investigator-initiated research programs.

PRE-DOCTORAL PROGRAM—Applications are available on our Web site. Deadline: January 30, 2007

POST-DOCTORAL PROGRAM—Applications (US Citizens or Permanent Residents) are accepted on an ongoing basis and must include: curriculum vitae, 3 writing samples, and a letter of interest outlining the proposed topic of study. We are recruiting for 2 Post-Doctoral Fellows for 2007

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To discuss fellowships, please contact:
Dr. Peter Lichtenberg, Director
p.lichtenberg@wayne.edu

To learn more, please visit:
www.iog.wayne.edu
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Harvard School of Public Health
Department of Society, Human Development and Health

Assistant Professor in the Area of Aging

The Department of Society, Human Development, and Health at the Harvard School of Public Health seeks candidates for a tenure-ladder position as assistant professor in the area of aging.

Applicants should have a record of research and teaching in issues related to aging. There is particular interest in the areas of the social determinants of aging and life course and developmental issues. Expertise in multidisciplinary and quantitative methods is highly desirable. Applicants should hold a doctorate in epidemiology, demography, a social science, gerontology or a related field.

The successful candidate will be expected to develop an independent research program and to collaborate with others in the department. S/he will teach and advise master's and doctoral students.

Please send a letter of application, including a statement of current and future research interests, a curriculum vitae, sample publications, and the names of three referees to the following address.

Applicants should ask their three referees to write independently to this address:

Chair, Search Committee in Aging • c/o Toby Bernstein
Department of Society, Human Development and Health • Harvard School of Public Health
677 Huntington Avenue, Kresge 710 • Boston, MA 02115

Harvard University is committed to increasing the number of women and minorities in its faculty, and encourages applications from such candidates.
Researchers for International Work Solicited by NIH

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is currently seeking applicants for its International Research Scientist Development Award. This program supports U.S. postdoctoral biomedical, epidemiological, clinical, social and behavioral scientists in the formative stages of their careers to conduct research in developing countries. These awards will provide the successful candidates with a three- to four-year period of intensive mentored research, leading to an independent research career focused on global health. The total amount to be awarded is expected to be $250,000 - $500,000 and the anticipated number of awards is two to five. The program announcement can be found at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-07-014.html

Elderhostel Grant Open to Doctoral Students

Elderhostel invites applications from doctoral candidates researching lifelong or later-life learning for the Elderhostel K. Patricia Cross Doctoral Research Grant. This $5,000 grant is awarded annually to a student in various disciplines, including but not limited to psychology, education, gerontology, cognitive studies, neuroscience and social work. The application deadline is February 15, 2007. For further information, including requirements and the online application, please visit: www.elderhostel.org/grants. Any questions about this particular grant can be sent to grants@elderhostel.org.

Civic Ventures Opens Nominations for 2007 Purpose Prize and new BreakThrough Award

Every day nearly 8,000 baby boomers turn 60. This past September, anticipating this huge demographic shift and what it could mean for our country, Civic Ventures announced the first winners of The Purpose Prize—five $100,000 and ten $10,000 investments in Americans over 60 whose creativity, talent and experience is transforming the way our nation addresses critical social problems. Dozens of other innovators received national recognition for their work. Now nominations are being accepted for the 2007 Purpose Prize. To nominate someone or apply yourself, visit www.purposeprize.org. The application deadline is February 1, 2007. The awards will be announced in September 2007.

NIH Pioneer Awards Application Date Approaching

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) has announced it will soon begin accepting applications for its Director’s Pioneer Award. This prize supports exceptionally creative scientists in a wide range of fields who propose highly innovative—and potentially transformative—approaches to major challenges in biomedical research. In September 2007, NIH expects to make 5 to 10 new Pioneer Awards of $500,000 in direct costs per year for 5 years. The program is open to scientists at all career levels and in any field of research, provided they are interested in exploring biomedically relevant topics. NIH particularly encourages applications from women, members of groups that are underrepresented in biomedical research, and individuals in the early to middle stages of their careers. The streamlined, electronic application process includes a 3- to 5-page essay and 3 letters of reference. The application period opens on December 1, 2006, and closes on January 16, 2007. There is also a registration process, which NIH recommends starting at least 4 weeks before submitting an application. Detailed instructions can be found at http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-RM-07-005.html. For more information, see the Pioneer Award Web site at http://nihroadmap.nih.gov/pioneer or send questions to pioneer@nih.gov.

Older Americans Among Groups Hardest Hit by Flu

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is recommending the flu vaccine to people over six months old, especially those 65 and older who are at high risk for grave complications from the flu. According to CDC, the flu vaccine is the single best way to protect against this serious disease and its possible complications that can lead to hospitalization and even death. Each year in the United States, on average, more than 200,000 people are hospitalized because of complications from the flu and 36,000 people die from this disease. To find out when or where to get a shot, people are encouraged to contact their doctor or local health department. They may also find a nearby clinic by visiting the Web site, www.flucliniclocator.org and entering their zip code.

EPA’s Program Aims to Improve Senior Mobility

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), with partner organizations across the country, is developing a national pilot program to recognize communities that factor into community planning, environmental considerations and the need for older adults to be physically active. Titled “Building Healthy Communities for Active Aging,” the goal of the program is to raise awareness about the importance of linking “Smart Growth” with the need for and desire by older adults to be physically active. Smart Growth is characterized by development patterns that create attractive, distinctive, walkable communities that give people of varying age, wealth, and physical ability a range of safe, affordable, convenient choices where they live and how they get around. A fact sheet about Building Healthy Communities for Active Aging can be found here: http://www.epa.gov/aging/resources/factsheets/build_healthy-factsheet.html
Pre and Post Doctoral Training Program in Minority Aging and Health

The Sealy Center on Aging at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, Texas has openings for both pre-doctoral and post-doctoral positions for the 2007/8 academic year. These positions are for research focusing on the health of older minorities, with an emphasis on older Hispanics. Fellows collaborate with any of more than 15 Center faculty who have over $42 million in research pertaining to minority health and aging in the areas of medical outcomes, health service utilization, social epidemiology, psychosocial stress, and health promotion. Aging-related research initiatives at UTMB include a Center for Population Health and Health Disparities, a Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center, and the Hispanic Established Population for Epidemiologic Studies of the Elderly. Pre-doctoral fellows earn a Ph.D. degree in sociomedical sciences or health services research in the Department of Preventive Medicine and Community Health, or other doctoral programs at UTMB. These fellowships are funded by a grant from the National Institute on Aging. The pre-doctoral stipend is approximately $20,000; post-doctoral stipends range from $36,000-$51,000. All fellows receive full health care benefits. Screening of applications begins December 1, 2006 and continues until positions are filled. All fellows must be U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents. See our website at http://www.utmb.edu/scoa for more information.

UTMB Aging faculty

James S. Goodwin, M.D. (Harvard, Medicine) Professor, Geriatric Medicine, Director, Institute of Clinical and Translational Research
Kyriakos S. Markides, Ph.D. (Louisiana State, Sociology) Professor and Director, Sociomedical Sciences
Ronald A. Carson, Ph.D. (Glasgow, Ethics) Professor, Institute for the Medical Humanities
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Applicants should send a letter stating research interests, relevant prior training, and a curriculum vitae to:

Karl Eschbach, Ph.D.
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New Fellowship Application Criteria for 2006
The processing of Fellowship applications has changed this year. You MUST now be nominated by a current Fellow of your Section AND have prior status as a Regular member (no student time) for a minimum of 5 years. Self-nominations are no longer permissible.

The complete application form and additional standards for qualification can be found at www.geron.org/fellows.htm.

For more information, please contact: Laurie Johnson, Fellowship Coordinator, GSA 1030 15th Street, NW, Suite 250 Washington, DC 20005-1503 Ph: 202-842-1275 • Email: ljohnson@geron.org

Deadline for Applications: January 15th
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