

Predoctoral / Postdoctoral Applicant Information

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*****IMPORTANT, PLEASE READ:** - It is highly recommended that YOU or your PRIMARY MENTOR reach out to the designated TPEHS Steering Committee member at your institution to discuss your background and project prior to completing this application. List of institutional representatives is located at the bottom of this form.

First Name: Middle Initial: Last Name:

Birthplace: Citizenship:

Birthdate: Gender: Phone Number:

Requested Trainee Level of Support: Institutional email:
 Personal email:

Current Address: Current Institution:

Department or Graduate Program:

Date Started Current Graduate Program or Postdoc: Graduate GPA:

Primary Mentor

You MUST select a mentor from this list.

Name	Department	Institution	Email
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Secondary / Co-Mentor(s)

Name	Department	Institution	Email
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Testing Information

GRE General: MCAT (if applicable):
 Verbal Raw: Quantitative Raw: Analytical Raw:
 Verbal Percentile: Quantitative Percentile: Analytical Percentile:

Education

List all prior institutions where you have earned a degree, beginning with the most recent (prior to your current program).

Institution #1: Degree: Degree Date:
 Field of Study: GPA:
 Institution #2: Degree: Degree Date:
 Field of Study: GPA:
 Institution #3: Degree: Degree Date:
 Field of Study: GPA:

Predoctoral students: PhD Subject Area:
 Anticipated Degree Month/Year:

TPEHS Project Information

Project Title:

For this section, please attach a document to your application package with the following components and email as a single PDF to herrera@rice.edu. All sections MUST be completed!

- 1. Project Description (max 750 words):** Explain the biological problem you are addressing, and the environmental approaches you are using to solve it.
- 2. Layperson's Project Description (max 250 words):** Note, a layperson's description is a simple description that would be understandable by someone with only a basic science background. It is for general purposes only and should describe relevance to human health.
- 3. Mentoring and Training Plan (max 400 words):** Provide a brief description of the plan you and your mentors have jointly developed to achieve your stated career goals. Include what specific skills/ knowledge/ training you will acquire from each mentor during your appointment. Include any anticipated didactic course work, anticipated research training, lab meetings, journal clubs, enrichment activities and personal development (e.g. writing and speaking skills), professional meetings to be attended, etc. The plan should include an estimated timeline for completion of the graduate training program (or postdoctoral fellowship) and specific milestones to be achieved. Again, this plan should be jointly developed by you and your mentors (mentors will confirm this in their Recommendation Letters).
- 4. Grant Support:** List all current and previous grant support (federal or otherwise) supporting your project/stipend, including any previous or current training grant or training fellowship support. Include the project title, grant sponsor, total award amount, and dates of support.
- 5. Publications:** Provide a list of all your peer-reviewed publications, abstracts, patents, patent applications. PMID numbers must be included, where applicable. The preferred format for manuscript publications is as follows:

Halpern SD, Ubel PA, Caplan AL. Solid-organ transplantation in HIV-infected patients. N Engl J Med. 2002 Jul 25;347(4): 284-7.

6. Brief Individual Development Plan:

Career Plans

Plan A: e.g. faculty position	and	Plan B: e.g. job in industry
Long-term career goal:		Long-term career goal:
Short-term goal:		Short-term career goal:

List 2-4 of your skills that need improvement

Examples: developing/managing budgets, how to interview, networking for job contacts, statistical skills, grant writing, teaching, dealing with conflict, delegating responsibilities, improving oral presentation skills, etc.

Goals for the 12 months, including those that will improve your skills

Include goals listed for the upcoming 12 months, starting with the month after your interview. Include presenting at the Keck Annual Research Conference in October. To save space, do not include attending Keck Seminars and monthly trainee meetings.

a. Professional and career development workshops you will attend in the next 12 months

Examples:

Jan 2020: Workshop on how to improve and use your LinkedIn profile

Mar 2020: Research mentor training

May 2020: Workshop on starting a lab

Sept 2020: Workshop at institution X on developing a grant budget (or interviewing skills, negotiating to minimize conflict, etc.)

List only workshops that actually will be offered the months you name.

b. Timeline and steps for preparing, writing, and publication of papers on your TPEHS project

Example:

May 2020: finish gathering data

June 2020: Test the application of your algorithm, refine the systems

Jul 2020: data analysis

Aug 2020: finish data analysis

Sept 2020: draft figures, abstract, and specific aims

Continue through when you anticipate submitting a manuscript. Include every month from Mar 2020 to Feb 2021 or beyond.

c. Required grant writing course.

This may be a multi-month grantsmanship course at your institution, such as UTH's Grants 101 or Grants 102. (name months it will be offered), or the MD Anderson 1.5 day course (1 day on R01s, 1/5 day on K awards), offered either in Spring or Fall.

Estimated completion date of the grant proposal (K01, R21, other; please specify).

d. Plans for conference presentations on your TPEHS project in the next 12 months

List anticipated conference names and dates, and types of presentations: oral, poster, podium, abstracts.

Department Administrator

Name of trainee's department administrator responsible for processing stipend:

Administrator's phone number: Administrator's email:

Keywords

Provide up to six key words describing your research:

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Research Information List all prior research experience and provide the requested information in the appropriate sections below.

Role/Level	PI / Mentor Name	Institution	Dates of research	Total no. of months
Undergraduate				
Undergraduate				
Graduate				
Graduate				
Postdoctorate				
Postdoctorate				

Research Ethics Have you taken a biomedical ethics course in the Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR)?

No. If no, what course do you plan to take and when?

Yes. If yes, please provide name of course, where taken, and when it was completed.

COMPLETED Coursework List the TPEHS-relevant courses you have taken prior to your TPEHS appointment that you would like to count toward your TPEHS curriculum requirements.

Course category	Course name, number, institution	Credit Hours	Semester and Year completed
Genetics			
Environmental Health			
Data Science			
TPEHS Foundations course			

REQUIRED Coursework List the TPEHS-relevant courses you will take during your TPEHS appointment to satisfy the TPEHS curriculum requirements - complete ALL sections.

Course category	Course name, number, institution	Credit Hours	Semester and Year you plan to complete
Genetics			
Environmental Health			
Data Science			
TPEHS Foundations course			

Additional Applicant Information (Required for reporting):

Responses to the following items will help provide statistical information on the participation of individuals from diverse groups in Public Health Service (PHS) programs and identify inequities in terms of recruitment and retention based on race, ethnicity, disability and/or disadvantaged background. **Trainees, scholars, and participants are strongly encouraged to provide this information, however declining to do so will in no way affect the outcome of their application.**

Are you Hispanic (or Latino)? *Note -'Hispanic or Latino' refers to a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race. The term, "Spanish origin," can be used in addition to "Hispanic or Latino."*

Do you have a disability? *Note - A 'disability' is a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities, as described in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.*

If so, you may add additional information here, however this field remains entirely OPTIONAL.

Applicant's Signature

Checking this box is considered the equivalent to your signature.

I certify that all of the information submitted in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge, and I waive the right to see recommendation letters submitted on my behalf.

TPEHS Fellowship Application Submission CHECKLIST

Please make sure you have completed all of the following components of this Application for full consideration into the TPEHS fellowship program. Send all application material to the attention of Vanessa Herrera (herrera@rice.edu) in ONE email.

Have you...

- Requested your Mentor and Co-Mentor Recommendation Letters?
(These letters should be sent directly from the mentors to herrera@rice.edu)
- Requested Two additional Letters of Recommendation and included the corresponding contact information below?
(These letters can be from anyone else other than your mentors and should be sent from the recommender to herrera@rice.edu)
- Completed the TPEHS fellowship application form (*this PDF*)?
- Completed the Project Information document? Is it attached?
- Sent Transcripts to herrera@rice.edu?
- Sent a current resume (CV) to herrera@rice.edu?
- Sent proof of citizenship (e.g. copy of passport/resident card/birth certificate) to herrera@rice.edu?

TPEHS Steering Committee members - Institutional Representatives

Baylor College of Medicine --- [Dr. Richard Finnell](#) or [Dr. Rui Chen](#)
 The University of Texas Health Science Center --- [Dr. Craig Hanis](#)

Additional Recommenders' Contact Information:

Name	Department	Institution	Email

Application Completion and Submission Instructions

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