NEUROSCIENCE INITIATIVE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

POSTDOCTORAL CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The Neuroscience Postdoctoral Career Development Award is a unique funding opportunity for candidates interested in novel interdisciplinary and collaborative research. The two-year program provides a high degree of independence, a competitive stipend, travel to scientific meetings, and research support. Cross-disciplinary projects are designed to forge links between the Neurosciences and other disciplines creating new areas of research inquiry, example: Neuroeconomics, Neuroanthropology. A specially designed academic program supports the Scholars through monthly sessions in science and leadership.

Outstanding candidates from all disciplines are encouraged to apply for this prestigious award. Applicants should be one to three years post Ph.D. or M.D. degree. The infrastructure for this Postdoctoral Career Development Award is provided by the Emory University Neuroscience Strategic Initiative that spans multiple Schools, departments including 400+ faculty. The interdisciplinary nature of the Postdoctoral Fellow’s research requires co-mentors from each of the disciplines involved in the research with one being in Neuroscience. In the first year of the award, the Postdoctoral Scholar is aided in applying for external funding to begin the path to research and financial independence. The Office of Postdoctoral Education offers a myriad of career development opportunities, grant writing, and paper writing to support the Scholars.

Applications for this Career Award should be received by April 30, 2011.

- A current Curriculum Vitae with unofficial transcripts of your graduate training
- A one-page cover letter stating your interest in the described interdisciplinary research
- Three letters of recommendation from faculty other than the proposed advisors.
- Identification of the two or more Emory faculty co-mentors with their supporting letters
- A five-page research proposal (single space, 12 pt)
  - Abstract (1/2 page)
  - Specific aims (1/2 page)
  - Background and Significance i.e. Importance of new questions this proposed new interdisciplinary research will answer (1 Page)
  - Research Plan and Methods (3-5 pages)
  - References (limit 1 page)

Awardees will be notified by mid June, 2011 and funding to begin July 1, 2011.

All application documents and recommendations should be sent as attachments to:
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