





This is the NEW annual call for applications from all CU-AMC Schools and Colleges for junior faculty participants in the CCTSI Clinical Faculty Scholars Program. We are looking for 5-6 new scholars for the 20th anniversary 2024-2026 cohort.

All participants must guarantee release time for research and pay tuition fees.

Since 2004, we have trained over 100 faculty scholars. The Scholars have published more than 3000 peer-reviewed manuscripts in top general medical and specialty journals and have obtained over \$30 million in external grant funding from federal, foundation, and industry sources. We believe the quality and the impact of the scholarly work is increasing too, and we are developing metrics to show the reach of their work.

CLINICAL FACULTY SCHOLARS PROGRAM 2024-2026 CALL FOR APPLICATIONS, Due March 18, 2024

The Clinical Faculty Scholars Program (CFSP) is affiliated with the Colorado Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute. The program is a two-year intensive mentored junior faculty development program designed to develop research-oriented faculty into independent investigators in patient-oriented clinical translational outcomes research. Through guided research project development, educational seminars, grant writing classes and mentorship, participants are assisted in applying for a research career development award (K08/K23 award or foundation equivalent) or a first independent, extramural project award (R21, R01 or equivalent). Each Faculty Scholar will submit an individual career development plan and receive regular individual mentorship from four experienced senior researchers in clinical epidemiology, health services research, biostatistics, and health economics. Regular biostatistical consulting is part of the program resources.

The CFSP enrolls 4-6 junior faculty members per year from clinical departments. Faculty from affiliated institutions (i.e., Denver VA, Denver Health, National Jewish, Kaiser Permanente) also are eligible. Physicians, other clinicians, and doctorally-trained researchers in disciplines relevant to clinical-translational research may apply. We welcome specialists and generalist clinicians.

Typical successful applicants share some qualities: have advanced research training and possess the skills needed to pursue independent research funding (regardless of whether a K-award has a training plan); want to build a career in clinical translational science (basic clinical or clinical-population) and health outcomes research; need help developing a local mentoring plan in terms of career and topical mentors; and may be new to campus, new to a specific field of inquiry, or new to research. Researchers must be focused on human or population-based health studies. Formal criteria are on the following page.

Inquiries, questions, and discussion of candidacy or the program are always available with Dr. Anne Libby or Dr. James Feinstein (<u>cfsp@cuanschutz.edu</u>). We often participate in recruitment interviews for likely participants. Alumni contact information is posted on our webpage.

CFSP Application Criteria:

- Must be a current or prospective member of regular/affiliated faculty at the University of Colorado.
- Must be a physician (MD or DO), DDS, DMD, PharmD or doctorally-trained non-physician (PhD or equivalent).
- Must have completed rigorous research training during fellowship (physicians) or doctoral program (PhD 3. etc.). An advanced degree (masters or doctorate) or substantial prior training in epidemiology, biostatistics, and research design is preferred for clinician applicants.
- Must not have any current or prior funding as a principal investigator at the R01 level or equivalent. Individuals with a current career development award (K-award or equivalent) are eligible.
- Must demonstrate a commitment to a career as a clinical-translational researcher, signified by evidence of prior accomplishments (training, publications, small grants received). A clear research plan to obtain a career development grant or independent funding at the R01 level (for applicants with an existing career development award) is essential.
- Must have the support of the applicant's home department/division; at least 50% protected time for research during the 2 years of enrollment in the CFSP with salary support for that protected time; and an agreement to fund the program costs. Total program costs paid by the sponsor are \$25,000 per participant per year for two years (July 2024 to June 2026).
- 7. Must be willing to plan around Tuesday work in progress and Special Topics training sessions (7:30am-9am weekly; 9-11am 4th Tuesday of the month August to June).
- Should have mentorship needs that are not fully addressed within the faculty member's home department or division, or new to campus and in need of establishing a new local mentorship team.

Applications are DUE March 18, 2024

via the CFSP Website: https://cctsi.cuanschutz.edu/training/cfsp

To apply, please go to the CFSP webpage listed above and click on gold button near middle of page "CFSP Call for Applicants - Deadline March 18, 2024". All required documents should contain consecutive page numbers, as well as a header with the author's last name on each page. Times New Roman 12-pt or Arial 11-pt type should be used. 1-inch margins are requested. Please have all documents ready prior to accessing the online application as you will not be able to save and go back once you have uploaded and submitted your application PDFs.

***The online application web form is available now.

COMPILE APPLICATION DOCUMENTS INTO 1 PDF DOCUMENT IN THIS ORDER:

- 1. Current curriculum vitae
- 2. 1 to 2-page statement of research goals
- 3. 1 to 2-page statement of career development plan and mentorship statement
- 4. 1 recent, first-authored publication or manuscript

COMPILE LETTER(S) OF SUPPORT INTO 1 PDF DOCUMENT OR EMAIL INDIVIDUAL LETTERS TO CFSP PROGRAM MANAGER LISTED BELOW:

Letter of support from department chair/division chief addressing research and career plans, as well as assuring departmental/divisional program fees and release time commitment (fully acceptable as only LOS). Up to 2 other letters of support (as appropriate or desired).

For more information, please contact:

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