

FROM LABS TO LIVES

COLORADO IMMERSION TRAINING IN COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Experiential Education and Training in
Community Engaged Research



Apply online by March 2, 2026:
<https://tinyurl.com/2026CIT>

What is the Colorado Immersion Training in Community Engagement (CIT)?

The CIT is a six-month experiential learning program designed to expose academic researchers to Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) principles and practices through a series of directed readings, in-person seminars, structured mentoring and a one-week guided immersion into one of our diverse partner communities.

Who should apply?

CIT is for Colorado-based researchers from all health-related disciplines seeking new skills and knowledge in community engagement and CBPR. Early career researchers, instructors, doctoral students and fellows are encouraged to apply. Applicants must have a faculty appointment at the University of Colorado Anschutz or another CCTSI-affiliated institution. See the application for more detailed information about eligibility.

Do I have to pay to participate in the program?

The CIT program is subsidized by the CCTSI Community Engagement Core. Participants are expected to cover the cost of their meals, transportation to and from metro-area locations, and other miscellaneous expenses. Participants from outside the Denver-metro area are responsible for any transportation and lodging expenses not related to the week-intensive or otherwise covered by the CCTSI.

Want more info? Watch our video:
<http://bit.ly/2BTnsKK>

NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS!

- Learn core principles of community-based participatory research and community engaged translational research.
- Develop skills to engage community partners in research.
- Spend time in the community and begin building relationships.
- Receive ongoing technical assistance and coaching from CCTSI faculty and staff.
- Learn about special funding opportunities.

2026 CIT Community Tracks

- Urban Asian Refugee
- Urban African American

2026 Program Dates*

- Application Deadline: March 2nd
- Orientation: April 30th, 5:00-7:00 pm
- Directed Reading & Online Discussion: May 18th – June 12th
- Week Intensive in Community: June 22–26
- Program Debrief: July 22nd (In-Person)
- Follow up: August – September

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* Before you apply! Please ensure that you are available to participate in the entire course, which includes meetings, directed readings, five full days in community, and related follow-up activities. Partial participation is not permitted.