**PREDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS**

*Behavioral Science Training in Drug Abuse Research*

**PURPOSE:** This fellowship program supports behavioral scientists from all disciplines interested in learning about and developing careers in advanced research in the area of drug use and misuse.

**THE RESEARCH AND TRAINING EXPERIENCE:** Predoctoral Fellows will develop knowledge of and skills in drug abuse research through hands-on experience and formal training. Dissertations may be on any topic related to drug abuse or infectious diseases related to drug abuse. Opportunities exist for working with senior project directors on current research projects. Examples of on-going projects include studies related to drug abuse and crime, intravenous drug use, HIV/AIDS, prenatal and maternal drug use, treatment of mentally ill drug abusers, teen drug use and psychosocial health, and evaluations of several treatment programs. Numerous data sets are available in these and other areas of drug abuse for developing thesis topics. In addition, Fellows may be enrolled at universities in the NY metropolitan area to take advanced courses on drug abuse research, related substantive topics, and research methodologies as deemed necessary to round out their professional expertise.

**BENEFITS:** Fellows receive an annual stipend of $23,844, health insurance, tuition and fees and travel expense at the university where they are pursuing their degree. Predoctoral fellowships are awarded for a period of 12 months and are renewable for up to an additional 4 years.

**SPONSOR:** The BST program, NIDA’s largest and longest-standing behavioral sciences training program is housed at the College of Nursing, New York University and is affiliated with the NIDA-funded Center for Drug Use and HIV/HCV Research, one of the nation’s premiere research centers focused on substance use and infectious diseases.

**APPLICATION:** Candidates interested in writing a dissertation on some aspect of drug abuse and with a serious interest in a career in drug abuse research are encouraged to apply. Candidates who have completed their exams and are at the proposal writing or dissertation research stages are given preference. Minority candidates are especially encouraged to apply. U.S. citizenship or permanent resident (green card) status is required. Fellows must reside in the New York metropolitan area.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** about the BST program and application instructions, see our website at wp.nyu.edu/bst

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