

# Beverly and Jerome Fine Summer Research Fellowship

## **Program Description**

Each year, first year medical students are invited to apply for the Beverly and Jerome Fine Summer Research Fellowship program. Selected students will receive a stipend of \$3600 to support research opportunities at Sinai Hospital of Baltimore. The project must be a minimum of 8 weeks in length and the proposed project objectives or intended outcome must be achievable within that time frame. Projects must be discovery/inquiry-based research projects, such as retrospective clinical research, basic science mechanistic studies, randomized clinical trials or education research. Projects may be conducted either under the mentorship of faculty of Sinai Hospital or at Sinai Hospital (or affiliated Baltimore community sites) with a mentor from the GW faculty.

## **Student Eligibility**

### Eligible Students

- First year GW medical students who intend to complete their third and fourth years of medical school at the RMC at Sinai Hospital of Baltimore.
- Good academic standing (the award is contingent upon the student's good academic standing throughout the duration of the accepted program)

### Non-Eligible students

- Students who have previously received SMHS summer program funding
- Students accepting any other scholarships or fellowships for their proposed summer program
- Students with no affiliation to the RMC

## **Selection Criteria**

A committee of reviewers will be evaluating your project proposal according to the following criteria:

### Project

- Describes goal or question, measurable objectives and research hypothesis
- Provides feasible timeframe and breakdown of activities.
- Impact on field will be meaningful

### Educational Value

- Student role makes it likely objectives will be achieved
- Student role in data analysis or biostatistics
- Impact on the healthcare community
- The project will further the students educational and career goals

### Mentor Support

- Mentor research experience
- Strong plan for supervision/training

## Student

- Demonstrates interest in research
- Student involvement in developing the project

## **Application Requirements**

### Applicants must submit the following:

- Completed application form (last page of this document)
- Brief project description of no more than 3 pages that includes the following:
  - Project Description
    - Brief background and overview of the project
    - Main question and primary hypothesis to be tested
    - Measurable objectives
    - Project structure and timeline
  - Educational/Scientific value
    - Your role in developing the project
    - Impact your project will have on the healthcare community
    - How the project will further your educational and career goals
  - Personal Statement
    - Your personal interest in the project
    - Past experience (if any) related to the project
  - Mentor Support
    - The role the mentor will play in helping to achieve the project objectives
    - Plans for meetings and project oversight by the mentor
- Verification of acceptance from the mentor – provided on letterhead or in an email from the mentor that includes:
  - Specific information regarding the project
  - Supervision structure
  - Student responsibilities
- Mentor's CV
- Applicant's CV
- IRB approval letter (if applicable)

## **Reporting Requirements**

- An abstract describing the project due by October 1 (includes title, authors, methods, results, statistical analysis and conclusions)
- A poster (created in PowerPoint or other program) that can be used for Research Days or other professional meetings
- A presentation for a group which may include donors, members of the Dean's office, or other students and faculty

Submit application electronically to Dr. Jennifer Berkeley at: [jberkele@lifebridgehealth.org](mailto:jberkele@lifebridgehealth.org). Please submit all documents as attachments in a single email. Email Dr. Berkeley with any questions.

Application Deadline: February 21, 2025

Award Notification: March 28, 2025

## Beverly and Jerome Fine Summer Research Fellowship Application

### Applicant Information

Name	
Mailing Address	
Cell Phone	
Email	

### Mentor Information

Name	
Department	
Mailing Address	
Cell/Office Phone	
Email	

### Project Information

Project Title	
Department	
Facility where project to occur	
Other researchers involved in study and roles	
Does the project have IRB approval? (required for all human subjects research)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (pending) <input type="checkbox"/> No (not required)