



**THE DEAN'S POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP AT HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL** is a two-year research fellowship established to nurture, advance, and retain a diverse scientific workforce that will continue to contribute to diversity through their ongoing academic and research scholarship. The fellowship program prepares scientists from groups historically underrepresented in the basic and social sciences for careers in academia and other sectors. Fellows benefit from a highly innovative and creative research environment that emphasizes scientific rigor, collaboration, and the pursuit of excellence in science.

### **BENEFITS**

The two-year fellowship provides funding in the amount of \$65,000/year, and DPF fellows are eligible for Harvard's generous benefits package. They receive additional opportunities for career enhancement, mentorship, seminars, workshops, and conferences, along with a robust support network, through the Harvard Medical School Scholars in Translational and Academic Research (HMS STARS) program.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Have an MD, MD/PhD, PhD, ScD, or equivalent degree in the basic or social sciences by **June 2024**.
- Have United States citizenship or permanent resident status.
- Come from a background that is historically underrepresented in the basic and social sciences.
- Have no more than two years of postdoctoral experience.

### **ELIGIBLE DEPARTMENTS**

Fellows conduct research with faculty within the basic and social science departments at Harvard Medical School. Applicants are encouraged to reach out to a faculty member or research laboratory within the basic and social science departments and discuss their interest.

[Biological Chemistry & Molecular Pharmacology](#)

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### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

The online application for the Dean's Postdoctoral Fellowship is available on the DICI website at <https://dici.hms.harvard.edu/the-deans-postdoctoral-fellowship-application>. Applicants need to submit the online form, which includes a cover letter, CV, and a statement that makes the connection between the mission of the Fellowship and their research interests and professional goals.

### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

Three letters of recommendation are required, one of which must be from the applicant's thesis advisor. For those who have held a postdoc position, the second letter must be from their postdoc advisor.

### **DEADLINE**

Applications are accepted starting **January 5, 2024**, and must be completed no later than **April 15, 2024**.

### **SELECTION**

Applications are reviewed by a committee comprised of Harvard Medical School faculty and administrators. Fellows are selected on the basis of: 1) their demonstrated academic achievement, scholarly promise, commitment to research; 2) potential to promote the diversity of the Harvard Medical School community; and 3) the likelihood that the individual may become an independent scientist and societal leader who, upon the completion of the fellowship, will continue to contribute to diversity through their ongoing academic and research scholarship.

### **CONTACT**

Interested candidates are encouraged to contact Jorge Fortin, Program Coordinator, Dean's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program at [dici\\_deanspostdoc@hms.harvard.edu](mailto:dici_deanspostdoc@hms.harvard.edu) with any questions.

