

Health Policy Research Scholars

A Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Change Leadership Program

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Change Leadership Programs

Change Leadership to Build a Culture of Health

- Builds on RWJF's 40-year legacy of investing in leaders in health and health care
- Encompasses health and health care together with other key all factors influencing health: housing, education, technology, transportation, and more
- Increases collaboration and networking among professions and sectors; advances health equity to reflect the diversity of the nation
- Encompasses four new programs and five continuing programs
- Seeks leaders frustrated with status quo and eager to take leadership to next level



Clinical Scholars

WHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 50 clinically active health care providers with highest degree in field• Interprofessional teams of three to five members from different fields/specialties (physicians, nurses, pharmacists, osteopaths, physical therapists, etc.)
WHAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Creates a diverse community of clinicians improving health inside and outside their practice.
SUPPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$35,000 annual fellowship (\$105,000 over 3 years)
COMMITMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 years
PARTNERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Program Lead)• AcademyHealth• Community Campus Partnerships for Health• University of Nebraska Medical Center



Culture of Health Leaders

WHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Up to 50 participants selected each year in emerging or established teams or as individuals• Participants in education; transportation; technology; public health; government; business; health care; economic development; urban planning; more
WHAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cross-discipline, collaborative solutions to health inequities• Particular emphasis on framing issues effectively to influence local and national narratives
SUPPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$20,000 annual stipend (\$60,000 over three years) + financial support for project
COMMITMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 years
PARTNERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The National Collaborative for Health Equity (Co-Lead)• CommonHealth ACTION (Co-Lead)



Interdisciplinary Research Leaders

WHO	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 three-person research teams (two researchers from different disciplines + a community member or organization)
WHAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Applied, community-driven research
SUPPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each team receives annual stipends of \$25,000 per person, per year and research project grants up to \$125,000 per team
COMMITMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 years
PARTNERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• University of Minnesota (Program Lead)• Allina Health (Co-Program Lead)• AcademyHealth• ISAIAH• Local Initiatives Support Corporation• Minnesota Department of Health





Health Policy Research Scholars

Preparing Doctoral Scholars as Leaders

- Five-year program
- First- or second-year doctoral scholars, research focused
- Building equity by investing in scholars from underrepresented populations or disadvantaged backgrounds (race or ethnicity, socioeconomic status, or similar factors)
- Program elements:
 - Leadership training
 - Curriculum: health policy, health equity, population health
 - Interdisciplinary collaboration with leaders from various fields
 - Dissertation support and mentorship
 - Collaboration with participants in all four programs and RWJF



Dedicated Cohort, Robust Support

- Up to 50 participants each year
- Health policy-related research interest
- Enrolled full time in U.S. institution
 - Complete program from home institution—no relocation
- Support
 - \$30,000 annual stipend up to four years
 - Competitive dissertation grant up to \$10,000



PROGRAM OUTLINE

- **FALL 2016 – Online course**
- **SPRING 2017 – Online course**
- **SUMMER 2017 – 2 week course at JHU**
- **FALL 2017 – Online course**
- **SPRING 2017 – Online course**
- **SUMMER 2018 – 4 weeks @ UCLA, Michigan, Mayo**



PROGRAM OUTLINE

- **FALL 2018 – Online course**
- **SPRING 2019 – Online course**
- **SUMMER 2019 – 2 weeks in Washington, DC, AcademyHealth and George Washington University**
- **FALL 2019 – Online Seminar**
- **SPRING 2020 – Online Seminar**
- **SUMMER 2020 – Writing retreat**
- **Fifth Year – Dissertation Grant, Dissertation Support Group**



Seeking Leaders Who...

- Are interested in applying their own discipline-based research to affect health policy
- Are willing to learn how population health is affected by factors outside of healthcare
- Value diversity and inclusion
- Work collaboratively in interdisciplinary teams
- Embrace lifelong learning, complexity, risk-taking
- Are ready to take their leadership and influence to the next level



Timeline

DATE	EVENT
February 22	Call for applications opens
March 3 (12–1 p.m. ET)	Webinar for prospective applicants to learn more
April 19	Applications due
April 29–May 13	Applications reviewed
May 23–June 24	Applicant interviews
June 26–July 1	Selection meetings
mid-July	Finalists selected
September 1	Program begins
September 25–28	Required in-person program launch (Princeton, NJ)



Health Policy Research Scholars

2016 Call for Applications

Release Date: February 22, 2016

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Purpose

The goal of *Health Policy Research Scholars* is to create a large cadre of diverse doctoral students from multiple (nonclinical, research-focused) disciplines—students whose research, connections, and leadership will inform and influence policy toward a Culture of Health. Specifically, we aim to recruit doctoral students from a variety of social sciences (e.g., urban planning, health, economics, ethnography, education, social work, etc.) who are training to be researchers. For the 2016 cohort, the *Health Policy Research Scholars* program will enroll up to 50 scholars who are interested in health policy research and from underrepresented populations and/or disadvantaged backgrounds. Examples of eligible individuals include, but are not limited to, first-generation college graduates, individuals from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, individuals from racial and ethnic groups underrepresented in doctoral programs, and individuals with disabilities. *Health Policy Research Scholars* will be completed concurrently with the doctoral program and is designed to enhance and enrich the doctoral program. *For more information, see the full Call for Applications.*

DEADLINE:

April 19, 2016, 3:00 p.m. ET

[Apply Online](#)



[Preview a sample application before submitting →](#)

KEY MATERIALS

Please review all before applying:

[Funding Opportunity Brochure \(PDF\) →](#)

[HPRS Frequently Asked Questions →](#)

Key Dates

February 25, 2016 (1–2 p.m. ET)

Webinar for potential applicants of all four leadership programs. A recording is available [here](#).

March 3, 2016 (12–1 p.m. ET)

Webinar for interested applicants of the *Health Policy Research Scholars* program. Registration is [required](#).

April 19, 2016 (3 p.m. ET)

Deadline for receipt of full applications.

May 23–June 24, 2016

Semifinalist applicant interviews.

June 24, 2016

Deadline for receipt of semifinalist supplemental applications.

Mid-July 2016

Finalists notified of funding recommendations.

September 1, 2016

Program begins. Stipend funding initiated for program participants.

September 25–28, 2016

Fall Institute. Princeton, N.J.

Health Policy Research Scholars 2016 Call for Applications

Eligibility *

* Indicates required

Respond to each question below.

The Health Policy Research Scholars program is open to full-time doctoral students from underrepresented populations and/or disadvantaged backgrounds, entering the first or second year of their doctoral program (by September 1, 2016), from any non-clinical discipline who are training to be researchers and are interested in health policy research. The Health Policy Research Scholars program is **not** intended for students pursuing a clinical doctorate without a research focus. Rather, the program is designed for doctoral students from a variety of social sciences (e.g., urban planning, health, economics, ethnography, education, social work, etc.).

Examples of eligible individuals include, but are not limited to, first-generation college graduates, individuals from lower socioeconomic backgrounds, individuals from racial and ethnic groups underrepresented in doctoral programs, and individuals with disabilities.

1. Do you fit the eligibility criteria described above? *

- Yes
 No

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or individuals granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals ("DACA") status by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services at the time of application.

2. Do you fit the eligibility criteria described above? *

- Yes
 No

A recipient of this award cannot be related to any Officer** or Trustee of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, or be a descendent of the Foundation's founder.

** As you related by blood, marriage to any Officer, Trustee of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation?

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Applicant & Mentor Key Contact Information *

* Indicates required

- Enter the contact information requested for the applicant, mentor, co-mentor (if applicable) and the applicant's home contact information. Please complete all required contacts.
- To save your partially completed page, scroll to the bottom of this page and select "Save, continue editing" or "Save, return home."
- Use the "Copy feature" to copy completed institutional and address information to a new contact. Choose a role from the drop-down menu and then select the "Copy" button.

You may use the "Select contact information" link below to facilitate the entry of data required below. If the information already exists in the GuideStar Exchange or from prior activity with RWJF, the fields below will be prepopulated with the required data. If that occurs, please be sure to proofread the information to ensure that it is accurate and current. Feel free to edit as needed. [Use this link](#) to learn more about this feature. If, instead, you prefer to manually enter all the required information below, you may do so.

Health Policy Research Scholars (HPRS) Applicant *

This is the student who will be the HPRS scholar. This student will be the primary recipient of all key Foundation correspondence: copy of award notice, post-award financial and monitoring, and grant closure. Additionally, after the application is submitted, this student will be asked to provide feedback to an independent survey firm on the application process and applicant characteristics in a brief online survey. RWJF will share this student's contact information, including email address, with the survey firm for the sole purpose of soliciting feedback. Note: "Applicant's Home Institution" is the doctoral-degree-conferring institution. Type the doctoral degree you are planning to receive in the "Degree" box below.

College/University Email *

Confirm College/University Email *

Prefix

First Name *

Middle Name or Initial

Last Name *

Suffix

Home Institution Mentor *

Enter the name and contact information of the Home Institution Mentor below. This is a required entry. The HPRS Home Institution Mentor will be responsible for the HPRS scholar's academic support and career guidance at the scholar's home institution.

Email *

Confirm Email *

First Name *

Middle Name or Initial

Last Name *

Institution *

Position *

Department

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Letters of Reference (LOR) *

* Indicates required

A total of two letters of reference (LOR) from faculty members from your graduate or undergraduate institution are required. Please note: We **highly recommended** that one of your letters of reference be from your Home Institution Mentor or his or her designee.

Note: No letters of reference will be accepted from current or former members of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation staff or Board of Trustees.

When you use the "Invite" link below, the reference writer will automatically receive an email message with login information and instructions for submitting letters of reference electronically. Once the reference writer logs in, he/she will have access to complete instructions for providing LOR materials.

Applicants are urged to actively track the status of the submission of required reference materials.

- If a reference is no longer able to fulfill his or her obligation within the stated timeframe, you may "Un-Invite" that reference and "Invite" another.
- Use the "Re-Invite" link to resend the email invitation with login instructions to a reference writer.
- Please return to this section to monitor that references are submitted by **April 12, 2016**, to enable the applicant's submission of the completed package well before the application deadline.

Invite up to 2 people, 2 are required.

Name	Email Address	Date Invited	Status
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Contact Information for References *

* Indicates required

- Enter contact information for two (and only two) people writing your letters of reference.
- To save your partially completed page, scroll to the bottom of this page and select "Save, continue editing" or "Save, return home."
- Use the "Copy feature" to copy completed institutional and address information to a new contact, choose a role from the drop-down menu and select the "Copy" button.

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Reference #1 *

Please complete the contact information for this reference writer. It is recommended that this be the Home Institution Mentor or his or her designee.

E-mail *	<input type="text"/>
Confirm E-mail *	<input type="text"/>
First Name *	<input type="text"/>
Middle Name or Initial	<input type="text"/>
Last Name *	<input type="text"/>
University/College *	<input type="text"/>
Position *	<input type="text"/>
Department	<input type="text"/>
Address *	<input type="text"/>

2. What is your primary doctoral field of study? *

Anthropology

Political Science

Demography/population studies

Psychology

Economics

Sociology

Education

Transportation engineering/design

History

Urban planning/Studies

Other (please specify)



3. Specify area of emphasis, certification, or specialization, if applicable. *

If not applicable, enter "n/a"

4. Specify doctoral degree being sought (e.g., PhD, DSW, etc). *

14. If you selected racial or ethnic background, please select the best description of your race and/or ethnicity. *

Select all that apply or select "Not Applicable."

- African American/Black
- American Indian or Alaskan Native (specify tribal affiliation below)
- Asian (specify country or family origin below)
- Hispanic or Latino(a)
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (specify below)
- Not Applicable
- Other (please specify)

15. If you selected educational background above, please specify your disadvantaged educational background. *

Select all that apply or select "Not Applicable."

- First-generation college graduate
- English is a second language (please specify primary language below)
- Learning or other disability
- Not Applicable
- Other (please specify)

16. If you selected financial background above, please specify your disadvantaged financial background. *

Select all that apply or select "Not Applicable."

- Urban low-income community
- Rural low-income community
- Pell Grant eligible in undergraduate college
- Received free or reduced lunch benefits
- Not Applicable
- Other (please specify)

1. Discuss an example of how you overcame a challenge or adversity. *

Maximum of 1,700 characters including spaces. (approximately 250 words)

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2. Explain why you believe HPRS is important to achieve health equity. Please select at least one Action Area below to support how you might use your training to contribute to health equity in the context of building a Culture of Health in America. *

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation has developed the Culture of Health Action Framework to help our nation broaden the discussion about health, set goals, and integrate efforts to improve the health of the U.S. population. This framework translates the many actors, and the many facets, of a Culture of Health into four interconnected [Action Areas](#). To learn more about the Culture of Health Action Framework, visit www.cultureofhealth.org

The COH Action Areas are:

1. **Making Health a Shared Value**, measured by indicators such as the percentage of people who strongly agree that health is influenced by their peers and their communities and the percentage who indicate they have adequate social support from family and friends.
2. **Fostering Cross-Sector Collaboration to Improve Well-Being**, denoted by measures like the number of local health departments that collaborate with community institutions and employers who promote better health in the workplace.
3. **Creating Healthier, More Equitable Communities**, using measurements such as the number of grocery stores, farmers' markets, and safe sidewalks in communities; the ratio of children attending preschool; and the affordability of housing.
4. **Strengthening Integration of Health Services and Systems**, gauged by measures such as the percentage of people served by a comprehensive public health system and the percentage of physicians sharing electronic data with other clinicians, health systems and patients.

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Home Institution Mentor CV(s) *

* Indicates required

Ask that your Home Institution Mentor (and Co-Mentor if applicable) to provide you with their Curriculum Vitae (revised 2015 NIH format preferred.) Upload the CV(s) as part of your application.

To maintain the original formatting, **you must convert your document(s) to a PDF file prior to uploading.** For additional information, refer to Troubleshooting Tips.

Description	Templates	Uploaded Documents
<p>Home Institution Mentor Biosketch/CV *</p> <p>We prefer a 2015 formatted National Institutes of Health biosketch; however, the Home Institution Mentor may format his or her CV in any way as long as it includes publications most relevant to this application, as well as current and past grant support. If you have more than one mentor, you must upload a CV for each mentor.</p> <p><i>Maximum of two 15-page CVs.</i></p>		

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Application Preparation Hints

- ****Review Sample Application****
<https://anr.rwjf.org/applicationPrintView.do?phaseId=2438>
- **Demographic information**
 - Home institution—doctoral degree conferring institution
- **Home Institution Mentor**
 - Contact information
 - Upload Mentor's CV **PDF format**
- **Letters of Recommendations Due April 12, 2016**
- **Academic Information**
- **Community Service**



Application Preparation Hints

- **How do you anticipate participating in the HPRS program will help your future career?**
- **Two 250 word essays**
- **Applicant CV – 4 pages PDF format**
- **Unofficial Transcripts PDF format**



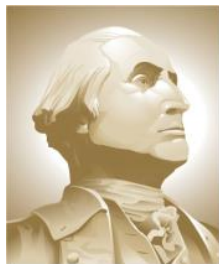
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