



**Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training Fellowship
Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
University of Michigan**

The University of Michigan, Department of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation is accepting applications for two, 2-year Advanced Rehabilitation Research Postdoctoral Fellowships to begin Fall of 2009. The fellowship is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services (OSERS) National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR). Fellows will select from a focus on one of three content areas: (1) community participation, including social and environmental factors effecting independent living; (2) health and function; and (3) assistive technologies. Cross cutting themes covered in all content areas include health disparities and community needs of underserved populations with disabilities, women's health, and aging with disability. Fellows will participate in a variety of didactic and practical experiences, including academic courses, research seminars, presentations, collaborative research projects, and lectures at meetings and national conferences. Opportunities for a brief clinical rotation are available.

All Fellows will work with a primary mentor to develop an individualized research plan and to participate in their mentors' research projects. Potential mentors consist of highly trained faculty at the University of Michigan. Specialty areas include for research spinal cord injury, brain injury spine and pain. A list of potential mentors is available on the website. Fellows are also expected to complete a rotation at the Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living, a community based agency serving persons with disabilities. At completion of this research training program, fellows will have acquired and enhanced specific research skills; learned how to collaborate effectively across rehabilitation areas and disciplines; and have demonstrated a capacity to apply the results of research to the problems of persons with disabilities.

All applicants must have a terminal degree and show a commitment to research, including interest in an area of training of this program. The fellowship offers a competitive salary plus an excellent benefits package. In addition, fellows will have tuition and travel stipends to present at national conferences or visit with mentors at other sites.

To apply, send a personal statement describing career objectives, background and experience as well as three letters of support, a copy of graduate transcripts, CV, and published materials (if available) to: Michelle Meade, Ph.D., University of Michigan Department of PM&R, Advanced Rehabilitation Research Training Program, 325 E. Eisenhower, Ann Arbor, MI 48108. Please e-mail inquiries to kmorfie@umich.edu or call (734) 763-5600. The University of Michigan is a Non-Discriminatory Affirmative Action Employer.

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