
The Center on Alcohol, Substance use, and Addictions (CASAA) announces one open postdoctoral position on our NIAAA Institutional Research Training grant, which has been renewed through 2025. The goal of the grant is to prepare future NIH scientists to conduct research to (1) elucidate the processes of change in drinking behavior, (2) develop and test effective methods to effect change through self-change, treatment and indicated prevention, and (3) develop and test models to disseminate knowledge of effective interventions for diverse populations. The grant supports four predoctoral fellows in the Department of Psychology and three postdoctoral fellows who may come from any discipline relevant to the goals of the training program. Fellows work with one of the core training faculty as primary mentor and have a secondary mentor as well. Primary mentors include: Katie Witkiewitz (PI and training program director), Margo Hurlocker, Theresa Moyers, Matthew Pearson, Jane Ellen Smith, J. Scott Tonigan, and Kamilla Venner.

Due to the tremendous success of current trainees in receiving grants and faculty positions, we have at least one opening to support a postdoctoral fellow for 2022-2023. Applicants must meet the following criteria: (1) demonstrated interest in the alcohol field as evidenced by prior coursework, research, and/or clinical experience; (2) a record of research productivity as evidenced by research presentations and peer-reviewed publications; and (3) a commitment to a career in alcohol research as an independent investigator. All fellows must be a United States citizen or a noncitizen national of the United States or have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence at the time of appointment. Individuals who have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence must have a currently valid Permanent Resident Card (USCIS Form I-551) or other legal verification of such status.

As part of the training program, fellows must be engaged in full-time research training, participate in a weekly Addictions seminar, define a training plan and achieve specific competencies during each year, and limit outside employment. For continued support postdoctoral fellows will be expected to prepare and successfully submit an NIH grant application.

The training program provides a NIH-defined stipend (based on years since doctoral degree), reimbursement for health insurance and tuition remission, support for professional travel, and support for training- and research-related expenses.

Interested applicants should submit a curriculum vitae and a 1-2 page cover letter that addresses their qualifications for and interest in the training program to Katie Witkiewitz, Ph.D., katiew@unm.edu. Applications received by July 1, 2022 will be given best consideration.

See http://casaa.unm.edu/traininggrant.html for information about the training program.