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Opportunity Title: National Institutes of Health, Office of Evaluation, Performance, and Reporting - Strategic Planning and Evaluation Postdoctoral Fellowship
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Organization National Institutes of Health (NIH)

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Description The National Institutes of Health (NIH), Division of Program Coordination, Planning, and Strategic Initiatives (DPCPSI) is offering postdoctoral fellowships at the Office of Evaluation, Performance, and Reporting (OEPR).

What will I be doing?

As an Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) participant, you will join a community of scientists and researchers in a unique NIH-wide perspective on the stewardship of biomedical research, including the priorities and policies guiding NIH's investments. Potential training experiences include a mentored project on implementation of the new NIH-Wide Strategic Plan, in which you will learn to translate strategic priorities into actionable, evidence-based initiatives that may be tracked and assessed. You may also engage in a guided project on the development of an Evaluation Hub to strengthen NIH's capacity for evaluation and evidence-based decision-making, as well as a mentored case study research project examining the outcomes and long-term impact of NIH-funded research for the NIH Impact Pages. Together, these training experiences offer you a broad, mentored exposure to strategic planning, evaluation, and impact assessment across the entirety of NIH.

What will I be learning?

Under the guidance of a mentor, you will gain hands-on experience to complement your education and support your academic and professional goals. You will learn to apply strategic planning methods used in implementation of a major federal strategic plan, developing skills in translating high-level priorities into evidence-based initiatives. Through your participation in the development of the Evaluation Hub, you will learn and apply program evaluation design, data collection and analysis methods, and approaches for building and assessing organizational evaluation capacity. Through mentored development of case studies for the NIH Impact Pages, you will learn to synthesize research outcomes into clear, evidence-based narratives for public and congressional audiences. Overall, you will gain a broad, transferable science policy skill set spanning strategic planning, evaluation methodology, impact assessment, and science communication, under the mentorship of OEPR's Acting Director.

Where will I be located?

Bethesda, Maryland as in-person or hybrid

What are the provisions?

You will receive a monthly stipend to be determined by NIH. Stipends are typically based on a participant's academic standing, discipline, experience, and research facility location. Other provisions may include the following:

- Health Insurance Supplement (*with the enrollment of health insurance through ORISE)*

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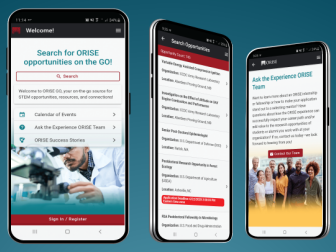
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- Travel Expense Allowance
- Training and Research Allowance

What is the length of the appointment?

Appointments are initially for one year with the option to extend the appointment for up to four additional years, contingent upon project needs and funding availability.

What is the anticipated start date?

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis until February 28, 2027, and fellowships will be filled as qualified candidates are identified. Exact start dates will be determined at the time of selection.

What is the Nature of the Appointment?

This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and the National Institutes of Health (NIH). Participants do not become employees of NIH, DOE, ORISE, nor ORAU, and there are no employment-related benefits. Additional information about research happening at NIH can be found at: NIH Participation Programs

Qualifications

The qualified candidate will have a doctoral degree or if currently pursuing, will have completed by the start of the fellowship, in any of the disciplines listed in the opportunity's Eligibility criteria. The degree must have been received within five years of the appointment start date.

Citizenship Requirements: This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR), and foreign nationals. Non-U.S. citizen applicants should refer to the Guidelines for Non-U.S. Citizens details page for information about the valid immigration statuses that are acceptable for program participation.

A completed application consists of:

- Zintellect Profile
- Educational and Employment History
- Essay Questions (goals, experiences, and skills relevant to the opportunity)
- Resume (PDF)
- Transcripts/Academic Records - Please upload a copy of a transcript for your current or most recent degree program that meets the disciplinary qualifications of the opportunity. The transcript or academic record must include the name of the academic institution, name of the student, courses completed/in progress, grades and degree expected/awarded. A copy of your official transcript and/or letter showing proof of your degree will be required prior to starting the appointment. Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts.
- One Recommendation - Applicants are required to provide contact information for at least one recommendation in order to submit the application, but up to three are encouraged. You are encouraged to request a recommendation from professionals who can speak to your abilities and potential for success, as well as your scientific capabilities and personal characteristics. Recommendation requests must be sent through the Zintellect application system. Recommenders will be asked to complete

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a recommendation in Zintellect. Recommendations submitted via email will not be accepted. Recommendations must be submitted before your application can be reviewed.

All documents submitted must be in English or include an official English translation.

All social security numbers, student identification numbers, and/or dates of birth should be removed (blanked out or blackened out, made illegible, etc.) prior to uploading into the application system.

If you have questions, contact us at NIHprograms@orau.org. Please include the reference code NIH-DPCPSI-OSC-CDR-2026 for this opportunity in your email. Please understand that ORISE does not review applications or select applicants; selections are made by the sponsoring agency identified on this opportunity. All application materials should be submitted via the “Apply” button at the bottom of this opportunity listing. Please do not send application materials to the email address above.

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Stipend $88,000.00 Yearly

Point of Contact Alecia

Eligibility Requirements

- **Degree:** Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 months or currently pursuing.
- **Discipline(s):**
  - **Business** (1 👁)
  - **Communications and Graphics Design** (2 👁)
  - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (7 👁)
  - **Mathematics and Statistics** (2 👁)
  - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** (7 👁)
- **Age:** Must be 18 years of age

Affirmation I affirm that I have received my Doctoral degree within the last five years or am currently enrolled in a graduate program. If currently enrolled, I understand that my degree must be received before the appointment start date.