

VCU DOIM Rising Scholar Program

Apply Now – Deadline March 31, 2017

The VCU DOIM Rising Scholar Program is a unique opportunity to obtain dedicated formal training in Clinical and Translational Research, progressing in the academic career in Internal Medicine and subspecialties and continue to improve clinical skills.

The program is designed for individuals who are board-certified or -eligible in Internal Medicine, and will last 24 months with a start date of July 1, 2017. The program will combine formal training within the VCU Master of Science Program in Clinical and Translational Research with hands-on research experience under the tutelage of a dedicated mentor. The Scholars will be appointed as Clinical Instructor of Medicine within the DOIM, and will work 14-16 hours per week (averaged over 4 weeks) within the Hospitalist Night Medicine Program. As part of the program and as DOIM faculty, the scholars will receive an excellent benefit package, a competitive salary commensurate to the clinical load, a \$5,000 stipend for CME and other scholarly activities and a \$20,000 grant to support an approved research project.

At the end of the program, the trainees are expected to be competitive for appointment to an Assistant Professor faculty position and for a KL2 or K23 NIH training grant. Alternatively, the program can be preparatory to a clinical fellowship in an Internal Medicine specialty. Participation in the DOIM Junior Scholar Program at VCU, however, provides no guarantee for acceptance to a clinical fellowship or to a faculty position.

To apply, send a letter of interest to Leslie Bobb at leslie.bobb@vcuhealth.org, referencing the *DOIM Rising Scholar Program*. The letter should describe the interest in the program, the area of research interest (within the ones indicated in the Table), prior research experience (if any), and future career plans. Please attach also a short Biosketch or full length Curriculum Vitae. Deadline for submissions is March 31, 2017.

Any inquiries can be addressed to the Program Directors: Antonio Abbate, MD, PhD (Associate Chair for Research in the DOIM - antonio.abbate@vcuhealth.org) and Rehan Qayyum, MD, MHS (Hospital Medicine Section Chief – rehan.qayyum@vcuhealth.org).

Area	Mentor	Area of interest
Allergy/Immunology	Lawrence Schwartz, MD	Mast Cell Biology
Cardiology	Antonio Abbate, MD	Inflammation and Heart Failure
Endocrinology	Francesco Celi, MD	Thyroid Function and Fat Metabolism
Hepatology	Jasmohan Bajaj, MD	Neurocognition in Cirrhosis
	Arun Sanyal, MD	Liver Disease
	Richard Sterling, MD	Liver Disease
Hospital Medicine	Rehan Qayyum, MD	Patient-Centered Outcomes Research
Oncology	Gordon Ginder, MD	Early-Phase Clinical Trials
	Steven Grossman, MD	Lung Cancer
Pulmonary/Critical Care	Patrick Nana-Sinkam, MD	Lung Cancer/Exosomes
	Alpha (Berry) Fowler, MD	Acute Lung Injury