The Ohio State University Center of Excellence in Regulatory Tobacco Science (OSU-CERTS) invites applications from individuals interested in obtaining a post-graduate research fellowship in tobacco regulatory policy. OSU-CERTS, located in Columbus, is one of 14 Tobacco Centers of Regulatory Science (TCORS) established by the National Institute of Health (NIH) and Food and Drug Administration (FDA). The 14 Centers conduct research needed to ensure that U.S. tobacco regulatory actions are based on sound and relevant scientific evidence.

The 2-year training program in tobacco regulatory science research will include: 1) mentored research, 2) development of a grant proposal and 3) an opportunity to take coursework toward a master’s degree. To facilitate transdisciplinary training, trainees will be matched with at least two mentors from different but complementary disciplines.

The fellow will gain research experience by working on OSU-CERTS research projects and exploring the legal and policy implications of the scientific research conducted by OSU-CERTS. Among other topics, our research will explore the impact of advertising and marketing, patterns of smokeless tobacco and dual/multi product use, and factors influencing tobacco-related decision-making.

The fellow will participate in a broader fellowship program that will include trainees focused on tobacco regulatory research in the areas of behavioral health, epidemiology, psychology, and biostatistics.

Program Eligibility

We are looking for individuals with a JD, PhD, or equivalent, preferably with research training in public health, public policy, or other population sciences. A stipend, tuition, health insurance, research support, and travel to scientific meetings are provided. Prior relevant research and a strong commitment to a research program in tobacco regulatory science are desirable. The OSU-CERTS values diversity and especially encourages applications from individuals from Appalachia, women, and underrepresented ethnic and minority groups.

Applications

Applications are being accepted now and will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Applications should include the following: 1) All graduate or professional school transcripts; 2) A statement of research interests and goals to be accomplished through the training period; 3) Curriculum vitae; and 4) Three letters of recommendation.

Applications should be sent to:

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More information about OSU-CERTS can be found at http://go.osu.edu/certs
More information on the TCORS program can be found at http://prevention.nih.gov/tobacco/tcors.aspx