

Deadlines and Milestones of 2-year Mentored Program

Feb 28, 2023	Letter of Intent to Attend Due
Mar 31, 2023	Application Deadline
May 2023 - Jun 2023	Pre-Live Primer Preparation (Home Institution): Self-assessment of Research Project and Updates
Jun 12-16, 2023	Live Primer
Jul 2023 - Oct 2023	Refine Protocol/Proposal (Home Institution)
Oct 2023	Finalize Research Proposal: Poster Presentation of Proposal/ Research Idea at ACCP Annual Meeting
Oct 2023 - Apr 2024	Study Design and Statistical Analysis: Data Collection Plans; Regulatory Issues (Home Institution); Develop Data Collection Instrument; Submit IRB
Jan 2024 - Sep 2024	Recruitment, Data Collection, and Data Analyses (Home Institution)
May 2024	Overcoming Challenges: Poster Presentation of Interim Results at ACCP Virtual Poster Symposium
Oct 2024 - Jun 2025	Disseminating Results: Poster Presentation of Study Results at ACCP Annual Meeting; Manuscript Publication

About the MeRIT Program

MeRIT is a training program designed to assist pharmacists with developing the abilities necessary to conduct investigator-initiated research, either independently as a principal investigator or as an active co-investigator within a research team. The 2-year longitudinal program utilizes a combination of teaching and mentoring methods (live events, webinars, and teleconferences) to provide mentees with the education and support needed throughout the entire research experience, i.e. from idea to publication.

Mentors

Participants are given the opportunity to work hand-in-hand with mentors that are experienced, funded researchers and educators within academia, practice, and industry. Highly skilled clinical, basic science, and biostatistician researchers are on-site teaching and guiding investigator participants.

Who Should Apply

Ideal candidates are pharmacy faculty or practitioners with limited research experience who are:

- Committed to incorporating research into their professional careers
- Interested in generating research themes or obtaining preliminary data for larger funding opportunities
- Aspiring to be active principal or co-investigators within a research team
- Able to commit at least 10% effort to research

When to Apply

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More Information

For more information and to download the MeRIT application, go to www.accpfoundation.org/MeRIT.

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Mentored Research Investigator Training MeRIT Program

June 12-16, 2023

University of Nebraska Medical Center College of Pharmacy



Day 1 - Monday

- 8:00 Welcome & Program Overview
 - 8:30 Lecture I: The Research Continuum
 - 9:15 Lecture II: Crafting Great Research Questions and Specific Aims
 - 10:30 Proposal Development Session I: Evaluating Research Ideas
 - 12:15 Lunch Provided by Foundation
 - 1:15 Individual Work Time
 - 2:30 Proposal Development Session II: Transforming Ideas into Hypotheses & Aims
 - 6:00 Team Building Event/Dinner
- Homework: Hypotheses & Aims

Day 2 - Tuesday

- 8:00 Perspectives From 2nd Year MeRIT Mentees
 - 8:30 Lecture III: Team Science & Being a Great Collaborator
 - 10:00 Proposal Development Session III: So What? How to Articulate the Impact/Significance
 - 11:30 Individual Work Time
 - 12:15 Lunch provided by Foundation
 - 1:00 Lecture IV: Designing One's Research Career Development Path
 - 4:00 Faculty Office Hours
One-on-one sessions with mentors
- Dinner on Your Own
- Homework: Refine Aims & Draft ½ - 1 Page Background

Day 3 - Wednesday

- 8:00 Lecture V: Research Approaches: Nuts and Bolts
 - 10:00 Mentor Office Hours
One-on-one sessions with mentor
 - 12:15 Lunch provided by Foundation
 - 1:00 Lecture VI: Defining the Analysis Plan When You Write the Proposal
 - 2:00 Lecture VII: Using Secondary Data Sources: Possibilities & Pitfalls
 - 3:00 Proposal Development Session V: Selecting Outcome Measures & Designing Methods
- Dinner on Your Own; Work on Proposals
- Homework: Clarify Methods & Outcomes: Outline Analysis Plan

Day 4 - Thursday

- 8:00 Grant Proposal Development Session VI: Articulating Analysis Plan/Alternative Approaches
 - 11:00 Individual Work Time
 - 12:15 Lunch provided by Foundation
 - 1:00 Lecture VIII: The Funding Continuum
 - 2:00 Lecture IX: Budget, Budget Justification, & Project Management After the Award
 - 3:30 Mentor Office Hours
One-on-one sessions with mentors
- Dinner on Your Own; Work on Proposals
- Homework: Redraft Proposal; Prepare for Mentors

Day 5 - Friday

- 8:00 Lecture X: Creating Scholarship Time
- 9:30 Next Steps in the MeRIT Program
- 10:30 Mentor Office Hours
One-on-one sessions with mentors
- 12:00 Luncheon Reception Provided by ACCP Foundation
- 1:15 Proposal Development Session VII: Wrap Up & Mentoring Plan for Home
- 2:30 Program Conclusion



There is no better way to get expert mentoring covering everything from a research idea to publication.