

The Faculty of Biology, Medicine & Health at the University of Manchester wishes to announce the Dean's Prize fellowship scheme with the goal to provide pump-priming funds for Clinical, Applied Health and Pure Science researchers who are looking to apply for externally funded, prestigious fellowships, from UK national funding bodies such as UK Research & Innovation (UKRI), the Wellcome Trust (WT) or the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR).

This distinguished award is part of our programme focussed on research culture and offers pump-prime funding to promote the careers of aspiring academic researchers by bridging that difficult career gap between excellent postdoctoral researcher and research independence. We are offering salary plus support costs for two years. Applications for an external fellowship will be expected by the end of the 1st year, or early in the 2nd year. On ongoing support fellows will be expected to secure substantial funding for their research and complete research outputs of international excellence. It is likely that successful candidates will have clear intellectual links to current faculty members in order to benefit from appropriate mentorship, advice and support.

The award is available for Clinical, Applied Health and Pure Science applicants as a stepping stone to intermediate or senior level fellowship. All applicants should already hold a PhD. While flexible, in broad terms, we anticipate pure science/applied health applicants will have 3-7 years of postdoctoral experience. Hospital-based medical applicants will be about to complete or have just completed clinical specialist training or equivalent. For the latter applicants, the University of Manchester will support basic salary up to 0.5 full time equivalent (FTE) with the remaining 0.5 FTE salary reflecting clinical duties by the most appropriate NHS partner of the Manchester Academic Health Science Centre (MAHSC). This clinical component of the salary needs to be agreed in principle by the relevant NHS Trust/MAHSC Partner prior to submission.

The application form is available on request from [Kerrie Webb](#), manager of the FBMH Fellowship Academy or via the [website](#). Deadline for applications is 30<sup>th</sup> May 2022 (12pm).

## **Application Guidance**

### *Contact Details & Employment Status*

In this section you will be asked to provide standard personal information, contact details, and information on eligibility to work.

### *Academic Education*

Please have to hand details of undergraduate, taught postgraduate, PhD and post-doc courses including subject, class, dates and institution.

### *Employment Details*

Please have to hand dates of posts held, summary of duties and employer. Please include details of all previous fellowship awards.

### *Additional Information*

This part of the form is structured to help you ensure you address and provide evidence that you meet the criteria for the role. You will be asked about:

- Fellowship applications and/or other grants held (please provide details of the awarding body, period, value credit share, role, type, and whether they can be transferred to the University of Manchester). Please also detail unsuccessful applications.
- Your research experience (200 words max; please give brief details of your research experience and training; please describe the subject of any previous external fellowships here if relevant)
- Prizes and awards
- Your fellowship and longer career plan (400 words max; please state what fellowships you will be eligible for within the timeframe of this award, your plans and timeline for applying, and an indication of longer terms plans thereafter. If you already hold an external fellowship please explain how the transition to the University of Manchester will be handled.)
- Links to other research at the University It is expected that you will have identified an area within the Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health where your research will fit. This includes the first steps to contact a relevant potential sponsor for this application, and wider collaborative network (i.e. the surrounding researchers with whom you hope to interact and who will allow your research to flourish). Please describe these relationships here in the context of your research plan. We will not accept additional letters of support. (max. 400 words).
- Name of potential sponsor at UoM. Please name the individual and state if you have contacted this individual.
- External links. We also realise that your career development is likely to involve collaborations and interactions with other leading figures nationally and internationally.

Please explain these relationships here in the context of your research plans. We will not accept additional letters of support. (max 250 words)

### *References*

Please have details (names, addresses, contact e.g. phone and/or e-mail) of three referees to hand.

### *Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Monitoring:*

All applicants are asked to complete our anonymous Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) survey. Monitoring ensures that all applications are treated equally in terms of gender, ethnicity and/or disability.

The information you share through the EDI Survey:

- will be stored separately from your application
- only be used for the purpose of monitoring equal opportunities
- be kept securely and in confidence