

***Call for applications:*****DOM Faculty NIH Grant Writing Workshop Series**

The Department of Medicine Research Office will hold a faculty grant proposal development workshop series to provide dedicated writing time, develop proposals, provide peer support, and provide detailed feedback from grant writing experts and senior faculty in the Department. This will be an intensive 9-week series (one afternoon per week) for faculty who are actively developing NIH R01 or VA/DOD R01-equivalent proposals for submission in an upcoming cycle. We will focus on specific components of the proposal: the Specific Aims page, Significance, Innovation, Approach, Introduction (for resubmissions), and the Biosketch. There will be an emphasis on strong grantsmanship and clear communication.

This 'writing retreat' style workshop series will be a constructive way to block time to develop your proposals and take advantage of advice from others. The structure, advice, and feedback provided during the workshop sessions will help you develop a strong application.

The workshops will be led by Jennifer Kemp, PhD, Director of the DOM Research Office, with expert input from senior DOM faculty and leadership during the second half of the series.

**Dates:** Wednesdays 1- 5 PM, March 4-May 13, 2026 (with an optional session on May 20).

**Goal:** To develop a complete draft of your proposal, ready for submission.

**Group sessions:**

- 5-7 faculty will be admitted.
- The series will consist of 9 sessions over 9 weeks. Sessions will be 4 hours long.
- Sessions will typically include 1-2 hours of guidance and discussion on Specific Aims, Significance, Innovation, Approach, Introduction (if applicable), and the Biosketch, along with individualized feedback from Dr. Kemp, group discussion, plus 2 hours of dedicated writing time. Participants must commit to the full 4 hours for each session. Each participant will receive individualized help at every session.
- Near the end of the workshop series, senior DOM faculty will provide additional review and feedback on completed drafts.
- The DOM Grants Manager will be available part of this workshop series to answer any budget and routing questions.

## Eligibility:

- Because space is limited and the workshop series is designed for a small cohort, we must limit the number of participants. All are welcome and encouraged to apply, but preference will be given to faculty applying for their second R01-level grant and, if space permits, those who have recently completed the CCTSI K to R program (<https://cctsi.cuanschutz.edu/training/k2r>) and are honing a final grant proposal.
- Must hold a primary faculty appointment in DOM.
- Must be actively preparing an NIH grant proposal for an upcoming grant submission with a June-July 2026 due date.
- Eligible mechanisms: NIH R01 or similar mechanisms from VA or DOD
- No Ks, CDAs, or foundation grant proposals. For help with Ks, please apply to the CCTSI's pre-K program (<https://cctsi.cuanschutz.edu/training/prek>)

## Expectations:

- Faculty members must commit to attending all sessions.
- These workshops will not provide all the time needed to complete an application. Faculty members will also need to complete additional writing between sessions. Our expectation is that you will need to commit a minimum of 4 hours each week outside of the workshop.
- Faculty members will share in-progress drafts with workshop leaders and participants for feedback and discussion.
- Proposals developed in this workshop must be routed through DOM.

## To apply, please complete this simple application:

<https://redcap.ucdenver.edu/surveys/?s=XFMYCJ7MHE39LRHN>

## Application Requirements Include:

- Name, Degree, Title, Division
- Target Agency (NIH institute, VA, or DOD)
- Proposal Due Date to Sponsor
- New or resubmission?
- Attachments:
  - draft aims page (new and resubmission)
  - summary statement and original proposal (resubmission)
  - Biosketch or CV
  - Other support

**Application due date:** Applications will be accepted through **Wednesday February 18, 2026**, and notification will be given by Monday, February 23, 2026.

**Contact Info:** For questions or further information, please email: [DOMResearch@cuanschutz.edu](mailto:DOMResearch@cuanschutz.edu)

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