**PLEASE INCLUDE THIS PAGE AS THE COVER SHEET WITH YOUR APPLICATION**

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| Physiology of Aging T32 Training Grant Application **Trainee Candidate \_\_\_\_ PRE-DOC \_\_\_\_ POST-DOC** | | | |
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| APPLICANT: | | POSITION/TITLE: | |
| EMAIL: | | eRA Commons ID linked to ORCID iD *(required)*: | |
| PRIMARY MENTOR NAME and EMAIL (one only): | | ASSOCIATE MENTOR(s) NAME and EMAIL: | |
| EDUCATION/TRAINING: (*Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education)* | | | |
| INSTITUTION AND LOCATION | DEGREE / GPA  *(if applicable)* | DATE (mm/yyyy) | FIELD OF STUDY |
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| Home Address and Phone/Cell Number: |  |
| Title of Dissertation or Thesis: |  |
| T32 Project Title (must relate to aging): |  |
| GRE Scores: Written / Verbal / Quantitative |  |
| If applicable, all associated IRB / IACUC protocol numbers and most recent approval date. Please note who the PI of the protocol is. If pending, so state.  EX: 1234-01 IRB 06/01/15 PI Schwartz |  |
| Requested Start Date of T32: |  |
| Estimate of credit hours for first 12 months. |  |
| If currently employed by University of Colorado please provide: | Employee ID#:  Campus:  Dept/Division:  Dept/Division Administrator’s email: |
| Are you a U.S. citizen, noncitizen national or permanent resident? Yes/No |  |
| Self-identify if you are disabled with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities. Yes/No |  |
| Self-identify if you are from a disadvantaged background. Yes/No |  |
| Self-identify if you are a member of an underrepresented racial/ethnic group(s). **(Indicate: Alaskan Native, African American, Latino, Native American and/or Pacific Islander)** |  |

***General criteria and selection process***

* **Prior to making application, the prospective Primary mentor must speak with Dr. Robert Schwartz about the proposed project and receive an approval email from him to move forward with the application. This must be completed at least 2 weeks prior to the application deadline. Attach the approval email in the application.**
* Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, noncitizen national or permanent resident.
* Anyone eligible is encouraged to apply; individuals from underrepresented racial/ethnic groups are especially encouraged to apply.
* All proposals should relate to the Integrative Physiology of Aging T32 and **must** relate directly to aging. Appropriate subject matter would: 1) be publishable in aging specific journals; 2) include terms such as “aging”, “older”, “age-related” in the title; 3) be related to a disease or syndrome that is strongly related to an aging population (e.g. prostate cancer)
* All awardees will be required to apply for other individual grants
* All awardees doing human subject research are required to have approval from their IRB and SARC (if appropriate)
* All awardees doing human subject research must complete the NIH required human subjects training (CITI Biomedical Investigator [www.citiprogram.org](http://www.citiprogram.org) or similar program) prior to starting any aspects of the project
* Please refer to the current NIH Grants Policy Statement for specific Institutional NRSA (T32) details and requirements in Section 11.3. <https://grants.nih.gov/policy/nihgps/index.htm>

***Mentor Requirements***

* Co-mentoring between senior and junior level faculty for trainees is required.
* Only one Primary Mentor is allowed, but there may be multiple Associate Mentors.
* Carefully select Primary and Associate mentors to meet the following criteria:
  + Primary mentor must: 1) have sufficient funding to help support a trainee; 2) demonstrated research mentoring experience; 3) demonstrated interest in aging-related research or clear explanation of new interest in aging
  + Associate mentor may be deficient in one or more of those criteria, but must have time to meet regularly with the trainee

***Application Requirements: Please submit as a complete package and in the following order. At a minimum Coversheet, Biosketches, Project Description, and RCR Plan must be submitted in searchable PDF format.***

Email of approval to proceed with application to your Primary Mentor from Dr. Robert S. Schwartz

This completed Coversheet

**1-page** Letter of Interest from candidate that clearly indicates interest in an aging-related academic career

A list of your recommenders’ names. Confidential Letters of Recommendation (LOR) to submit:

**3 total for pre-docs; 4 total for post-docs** *(must be submitted from the letter writer to the committee directly via* [*Andrea.Chisel@cuanschutz.edu*](mailto:Andrea.Chisel@cuanschutz.edu) *)*

* + **1 LOR** from combined Primary and Associate mentors documenting support. **Max 2 pages**.
  + **2 additional LORs.** **Max 2 pages each.**
  + **POST-DOCS ONLY: In addition to 3 above, an LOR from former graduate mentor. Max 2 pages.**

Applicant’s NIH Biosketch with Personal Statement <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm>

* + Section C must include the NCBI publications link for Complete List of MyBibliography.

Mentors’ NIH Biosketches with Personal Statement <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm>

* + Section C must include the NCBI publications link for Complete List of MyBibliography.

Mentoring Plan (include professional skills developed) – provided by Primary Mentor. **Max 1 page**.

**3-page project description (Arial 11; ½” margins) –** *excluding references*

* + Specific aim / hypothesis
  + Brief Background
  + Brief experimental approach. **Standard methodologies may be referenced.**
  + Brief statistical approach for data analysis, including sample size/power calculation.
  + Briefly describe approach to rigor, reproducibility, and sex as a biological variable (when appropriate).
  + Brief timeline for research activity and expected end products of your research (spanning 2 possible years of funding)
  + References *(in addition to 3-page project description)*

Plan to satisfy Responsible Conduct of Research requirements. Section 11.3.3.5 in the most current NIH Grants Policy Statement <https://grants.nih.gov/policy/nihgps/index.htm>

* + Format: must include face-to-face discussions among trainees (case studies)
  + Subject Matter: (see list in 11.3.3.5.2)
  + Faculty Participation: training faculty are highly encouraged to participate in formal/informal instruction
  + Duration of Instruction: at least 8 contact hours of instruction (semester-long series are preferred)
  + Frequency of Instruction: at least once in each career stage and/or every 4 years

Written assurance that the candidate has met or will meet all criteria stipulated in the NIH T32 regulations including completion of a course on the ethical conduct of research.

**PRE-DOCS ONLY:** Transcripts

* + Undergraduate
  + Graduate

**PRE-DOCS ONLY:** GRE Scores

***TO MENTORS AND APPLICANTS:***

***If candidate receives an award, please be aware that the trainee will be appointed to a pre- or post-doc position in the Division of Geriatric Medicine. This will be solely for managing the T32 stipend/salary. The candidate’s home department will be responsible for managing all other administrative functions for the trainee.***