



The American Physiological Society
Porter Physiology Development Program

Porter Physiology Fellowships for Minorities

Deadline for **NEW** Applications:
January 15, 2008

The goal of the Porter Physiology Development Program is to encourage diversity among students pursuing full-time studies toward the Ph.D. (or D.Sc.) in the physiological sciences and to encourage their participation in the American Physiological Society.

The Porter Physiology Development Program provides 1-2 year full-time graduate fellowships in programs leading to the Ph.D. (or D.Sc.) in the physiological sciences. The program is open to underrepresented ethnic minority applicants who are citizens or permanent residents of the United States or its territories.

For more information on the program, visit:
http://www.the-aps.org/education/minority_prog/index.htm

Apply online at <http://www.the-aps.org/awardapps>

**Fellowship period:
September 1, 2008-August 31, 2009**

Information Needed for Online Application for NEW Porter Fellowship

1) Applicant's Personal Information

Contact information

Ethnicity/race

Citizenship

Month/Year began Graduate School

2) Applicant's Educational Background

- a) Request **OFFICIAL** transcripts to be sent to APS Education Office from EACH institution attended, including your current institution. APS staff will upload them into your online application. Please check back to make sure we have received them. You will be able to see when each transcript is uploaded.
- b) Upload a copy of the acceptance letter to the graduate training program **ONLY** if coursework has not yet begun
- c) Upload a current CV or resume
- d) Upload a **COMPLETE** list of all the undergraduate institutions you have attended. Include the following for each institution:
Name of college/institution, City/State, Year(s) attended, Degree received (if any)
- e) Upload a **COMPLETE** list of all graduate institutions you have attended. Include the following for each institution:
Name of college/institution, City/State, Year(s) attended, Degree received (if any)

3) Applicant's Biographical Sketch (To be completed by APPLICANT)

Upload a file containing the following information (be sure to address all 3 items):

- Brief biographical sketch (in addition to your CV)
- Previous opportunities and experiences in research
- Statement regarding your specific interest in studying the physiological sciences and career aspirations

4) Advisor/Program Director Contact Information

Include Advisor's/Program Director's name and title, department, institution, telephone and email address

5) Applicant's Proposed Training/Research Plan (To be completed by APPLICANT)

This description should NOT be "cut and pasted" from a grant proposal. Rather, it should be written by the student applicant with only editorial assistance from the preceptor.

LIMITATIONS: 4-6 pages, including figures, but not including references; use at least 1-inch margins and 10 pt. type

6) Advisor's/Program Director's Research Training Environment (To be completed by ADVISOR/PROGRAM DIRECTOR)

Upload the following documents:

- a) Advisor's/Program Director's biographical sketch (NIH-style, **NOT CV**)
- b) Description of the environment for research and training of the fellow including:
 1. Physical facility
 2. Laboratory
 3. Technical support
 4. Number of previous and current trainees
- c) List of Applicant's Other Pending and Current Fellowship Awards/Other Support
Include Source/Agency and Award Amount for each (if none, specify "none")
- d) Affirmation of Student-Written Proposal
Upload a signed and dated statement certifying that the information provided in the application is accurate to the best of the advisor's knowledge and that the research plan was **written by the student applicant and approved by the advisor.**

7) Recommendation Letters

Request the uploading of **two CONFIDENTIAL letters of recommendation that provide an assessment of** your overall qualifications and potential. One letter **MUST** be from your research advisor/Program Director. Enter the persons' email address for system notification.

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If you have any questions regarding your application or its submission, please contact Ms. Brooke Bruthers, Award Coordinator, at bbruthers@the-aps.org or 301-634-7226