



The **University of Michigan Training Program in ELSI Research** (1-T32-HG-010030) is accepting applications for an open postdoctoral fellowship position to begin September 2020. The position provides two years of funding including a stipend (at least \$50,000 annually) and healthcare.

Program Overview:

Significant advances in genetics and genomics promise to enhance medicine and public health, while also posing important ethical, legal, and social implications (ELSI). The University of Michigan (UM) Training Program in ELSI Research, funded by the National Institutes of Health, seeks to prepare the next generation of ELSI scholars for success as innovative, impactful investigators.

The program offers an integrated program of advanced coursework, research mentoring, and professional development, led by an interdisciplinary team of ~20 UM faculty mentors with expertise and resources in medicine, public health, public policy, and social and behavioral disciplines. Trainees can become involved in mentors' ongoing research programs in areas including the following: implementation of precision medicine; direct-to-consumer genetic testing; return of genomic research results; genetic education for patients and providers; legal and policy issues; and racial health disparities. In addition, trainees will be able to participate in the rich research and practice environment at UM as exemplified by its highly regarded programs in public health genetics, genetic counseling, human genetics, genomic medicine, health law, science and technology studies, and its Center for Bioethics & Social Sciences in Medicine.

Upon entry into the program, each fellow will be matched with a primary and secondary research mentor with mutual interests and relevant research expertise. Such mentoring will be combined with an integrated program of advanced coursework and professional development activities. Each trainee will participate in an individualized, 2-year course of training that will provide knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- the current state of genomic science and medicine
- application of bioethics principles and frameworks to genetics / ELSI dilemmas
- quantitative and qualitative (e.g., deliberative) research methods
- grant writing and manuscript preparation
- implementation of interdisciplinary ELSI research projects

Eligibility Requirements:

- Experience in ELSI-related research
- Completion of doctoral work (e.g., PhD, MD or equivalent) by fellowship start date
- US citizen, noncitizen national, or permanent resident of US

To Apply:

Applications will be reviewed starting **January 15, 2020 and considered on a rolling basis until the position is filled**. Applications can be submitted online at <https://sph.umich.edu/elsi-fellowship> from the application information page. Applicants will be asked to do the following:

- Complete the online Trainee-Application Form

- At the end of the form, you will be asked to upload a single pdf file which includes the following:
 - Cover letter, including a detailed statement of:
 - research interests in ELSI topic areas
 - potential fit with UM mentors and projects
 - 1 writing sample (peer reviewed publication preferred)
 - Updated CV
 - Names, title, institution, and contact information for 3 professional references

For more program information, contact the Program Director:

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The University of Michigan conducts background checks on all job candidates upon acceptance of a contingent offer and may use a third party administrator to conduct background checks. Background checks will be performed in compliance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

The University of Michigan is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Michigan School of Public Health seeks dynamic staff with a commitment to contributing to a diverse, equitable and inclusive environment for all members of our community.

This job may be removed from posting boards and filled anytime after the minimum posting period has ended.