

Medical Student Training in Aging Research (MSTAR) Program at UCLA, UCSF, and UCHSC

Expectations and Requirements

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	UCLA	UCSF	UCHSC
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Expectations of Mentors

- ◇ Students need to be able to complete a small project in an 8-12 week period, although occasionally some final analyses may remain.
- ◇ Students need to have access to you. We recommend face-to-face meetings once a week and the ability to contact you at other times if they have questions.
- ◇ Students will make an 8-10 minute oral presentation of their work on either August 2nd or August 9th. We understand that some students may not have finished their work by this time but they will need to present their progress-to-date. You are expected to facilitate this presentation and rehearse your student. Overheads or PowerPoint presentations are recommended.
- ◇ Students need to write a summary report (journal style, approximately 5 pages) of their research within 90 days of finishing the program and submit it to us and to the NIA. Our experience has been that students who can finish the reports before they leave find the process much less painful and so do the mentors. Please help them with this.
- ◇ At the end of the program, we will ask you to fill out a brief evaluation form of your student and the program. We will also ask you to complete an annual evaluation of the impact of the program.
- ◇ Please assist the student in preparing an abstract for the annual meeting of the American Geriatrics Society (or similar scientific meeting)
- ◇ Prior to students' arrival have necessary IRB approval for the project.

Expectations of Students

Scholars are expected to:

- ◇ Commit at least 8 to 12 weeks to conduct aging research under the supervision of a faculty mentor.
- ◇ Attend weekly meetings with your mentor
- ◇ Attend weekly seminars (in person at UCLA / videoconferencing at UCSF and UCHSC)
- ◇ Attend weekly clinical rotations (if your research allows this and if arranged at your site)
- ◇ Make an 8-to-10-minute oral presentation of their work on either August 2nd or August 9th at UCLA. We understand that some students may not have finished their work by this time but they will need to present their progress-to-date. Overheads or PowerPoint presentations are recommended.
- ◇ Complete all evaluations of the program.
- ◇ Submit a written report (journal style, approximately 5 pages) at the conclusion of the research project. Students will receive \$178 upon submission of the report.
- ◇ Submit an abstract in early December to the joint annual meeting of the American Geriatrics Society and the American Federation for Aging Research held in May (or a similar scientific meeting).

Print name and sign of Mentor/Scholar

Date