CALL FOR APPLICATIONS
2020-2021

National Academy of Medicine’s Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence

Sponsored by:
American Academy of Nursing, American Nurses Association, and American Nurses Foundation

The National Academy of Medicine (NAM)’s Distinguished Nurse Scholar-in-Residence program provides a year-long residential leadership opportunity in health policy in Washington, DC. Designed for mid-career professionals, this immersion experience supports engagement of nurse leaders in a prominent role in health policy at the national level and facilitates their interaction with other health fellows and scholars. The American Academy of Nursing (Academy), the American Nurses Association (ANA), and the American Nurses Foundation (the Foundation), in partnership with NAM, support this program. The program seeks individuals who have the capacity and skills to generate policy for issues of special interest and the ability to promote greater public understanding. Applicants with diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

NURSE SCHOLARS WHO MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY:

- Fellowship in the American Academy of Nursing and the American Nurses Association.
- Alignment of scholarly or professional achievements with the health policy priorities of the National Academy of Medicine and sponsoring organizations.
- Significant potential for future contributions to health policy at any level of government.
- Demonstrated commitment to interprofessional collaboration, diversity and inclusivity, and the impact of the social determinants of health on underrepresented populations.
- Effective communication skills with the ability to process information, analyze evidence, and produce relevant written products.

APPLICATION TIMELINE & PROCESS

TIMELINE
Applications are due on December 16, 2019 by 5pm ET. Selected candidates will be invited for an in-person interview in early 2020. The final selection will be announced Spring 2020. The start of the one-year program will begin September 1, 2020 and run through August 31, 2021.

SELECTION PROCESS
A review committee comprised of representatives from NAM and the three funding organizations (Academy, ANA, ANF) will review all applications. Top candidates will be invited for an in-person interview. Decisions will be based on application criteria, references, and the in-person interview.
DIRECT SUPPORT FOR SCHOLARS INCLUDES:

- A stipend of $90,000 (plus up to $5,000 for related expenses); this will be spread across a commitment of 12 months.
- Provision of an office at NAM with appropriate supports (e.g., computer, phone, access to a printer, access to software programs and library resources).
- An intensive two-month orientation in federal health policy formation coordinated by NAM.

SCHOLAR EXPECTATIONS:

- Participation in NAM activities and work.
- Support of NAM activities based on current and previous employment, personal research endeavors, and evidence from the literature or other such grey literature.
- Completion of a self-initiated study that impacts policy designed and executed following the health policy phase of the scholar’s experience and aligns with current NAM priorities while addressing a relevant or national health/nursing priority.
- A minimum of one policy-oriented paper in chosen area of study to be submitted for referring publication within six months of completion of program (i.e., as part of a NAM report or as an article in the Academy’s Nursing Outlook or ANA’s American Nurse Today journals).
- Quarterly leadership meetings (two in-person, two via phone) with funding organizations as well as bi-monthly status reports.
- Maintain confidentiality of the work, as appropriate.
- Final report provided to the Academy, ANA, and Foundation Boards of activities and accomplishments within 60 days of completion of program.

APPLICATION PACKET:

Applicants must submit the following documents electronically to the American Academy of Nursing:

1. A proposal (no more than five pages) describing how the applicant’s expertise and background dovetails with NAM initiatives, as well as Academy, ANA, or Foundation priorities.
2. Current Curriculum Vitae (CV) or Résumé not to exceed ten pages.
3. A cover letter which should include (no more than two pages):
   - Information that complements the CV about the applicant’s interdisciplinary experiences, policy interests, and ability to complete the project.
   - A statement of proposed full-time commitment to the program.
   - The names and addresses, including e-mail addresses, of two individuals who can speak to the applicant’s previous achievements, interdisciplinary and policy experiences, and ability to complete the project.

SUBMISSION PROCESS:

Complete applications should be sent electronically to the American Academy of Nursing by 5 pm ET on December 16, 2019, to Sonya Desai, Policy Assistant, at sdesai@AANnet.org. Please put “NAM Distinguished Nurse Scholar Application” in the subject line.

Questions can be directed to Christine Murphy, Senior Director of Policy, at cmurphy@AANnet.org.