The HOPE T32 training program is recruiting two postdoctoral trainees (MD or PhD) to join by August 2022.

Competitive applicants will have research goals in the fields of HIV or other pathogens with pandemic potential (e.g., Influenza, Tuberculosis, Malaria), and a strong publication record. Their planned research should align with the program’s scientific themes.

1. Reducing the Incidence of HIV, COVID-19, or other pandemics
2. New Therapies and Vaccines for HIV (including Cure), COVID-19, or other pandemics
3. Comorbidities, Coinfections, and Complications related to HIV, COVID-19, or other pandemics
4. Health Disparities in HIV, COVID-19, or other pandemics
5. Other pathogens with pandemic potential

The Selection Committee aims to identify applicants most likely to have outstanding training outcomes from this program, specifically excellent first author publications, leadership of research projects, and ultimately, faculty appointments with outstanding biomedical careers (academic or industry) in a field consistent with the program’s scientific themes.

HOPE T32 applicants should plan to commit at least two years to the training program, when the program will support them to conduct their research projects with their mentoring team. Trainees will receive hands-on career guidance and mentoring from the Research Review Committee and the Diversity Committee. Trainees will also attend journal clubs, work-in-progress meetings, HIV and Global Health (HIGH) Rounds, and other seminars relevant to their work. Most trainees also participate in formal graduate coursework relevant to their research.

An abiding emphasis of the training program is placed on diversity in the trainee cohort, including members of underrepresented groups in biomedical research: individuals from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups (e.g., Black or African American, Hispanic, Indigenous, Alaskan Native), individuals with disabilities, individuals from sexual and gender minorities, and individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Please note that the funds available to support the trainee do not entirely support the full UC San Diego postdoctoral salary and benefits. The balance (or “delta”) must be provided by the HOPE T32 research mentor, and ranges between $5,000 and $20,000 based on the degree and the seniority of the trainee.

**How to Apply:**
Candidates for the HOPE Training Program must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and must have a doctoral degree. To apply, please send the following information to Mayra Rodriguez (Program Coordinator) at mvrodriguez@health.ucsd.edu.

Link to the online PDF: Click Here

1. Current curriculum vitae
2. Three letters of recommendation from the candidate’s current postdoctoral mentor (if applicable), graduate degree mentor (if applicable), and at least one supporter or collaborator
3. Statement of prior research accomplishments (1 page)
4. Sample first author manuscript
5. Statement of interest in research relevant to the HOPE themes with future career goals (1 page)