

Policies and Instructions for Pelotonia Fellowship Application

Applicants are strongly advised to verify their eligibility prior to preparing an application. Eligibility and scoring criteria may be found on the webpage of the award you are applying for. Applications that do not comply with eligibility criteria or guidelines will be administratively disapproved. Complete requirements and instructions are included in this document.

Information and Documents Required for the Application:

- Current Contact Information
- Demographic Information
- Original Home City or Town Information
- Academic Background
- Applicant Biosketch* (NIH format)
- Mentor (and Co-mentor if applicable) information
- Mentor (and Co-mentor if applicable) NIH-format biosketch
- Mentor letter of support **
- Name and Email Address of Someone Who Can Provide a Letter of Support*** (recommender)
- Dates of Previous Pelotonia Fellowship Applications (if applicable)
- Research Proposal Introduction:
 - **Project Title:** The title should not exceed 100 characters in length (including spaces). Please avoid abbreviations, if possible
 - **Technical Abstract** [350 words maximum]: Provide an executive summary of the project, including overall goal, methodology and significance
 - **Lay Language Abstract** [350 words maximum]: A lay language abstract is a brief summary of a research project that is used to explain complex ideas, technical and scientific terms to people who do not have prior knowledge about the subject. (Basically a simplified version of your abstract so that someone who doesn't work in a lab can understand it.)
 - **Impact/Innovation:** Tell us how your goals will have an impact on cancer research
- Research Proposal Document**** (*The file cannot be larger than 20.0 MB and must be the following type: pdf. The research proposal document must be written in single spaced 11 point Arial font, with margins of 0.5 inch. Please use the following as a guide for the format of your research proposal document:*)
 - **Project Summary** [do not exceed 1 page]: This is a structured technical summary of the proposed research and should include Background, objective/Hypothesis, and Study Design
 - **Project Description** (*up to 3 pages not including bibliography*):
 - Background and Significance
 - Specific Aims
 - Preliminary Data
 - Experiment Design Methods
 - Expected Results and Considerations
 - Other Funding: *Explain what other sources of funding are committed to support your project.*
 - Bibliography

* Biosketch Including impact factor and ranking in field of publications. Only accepted publications (your referees may discuss “submitted” or “in preparation” publications in their letters of support) Undergraduates may submit a Resume/CV instead of biosketch.

** Your mentor letter MUST include: a) a detailed training plan, b) experience as a mentor, and c) an acknowledgement of the requirement to the minimal fundraise commitment for Pelotonia.

*** You will need two letters of recommendation. One must be from your mentor. Your second letter should be someone else that can vouch for your work ethic and academic success.

**** If this is a re-submission, please submit up to 1 page description of what has changed since the last submission and to address previous reviewers' concerns.