CTSC ADVANCED CERTIFICATE IN CLINICAL & TRANSLATIONAL INVESTIGATION

Request for Applications

DUE BY 5PM ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8, 2023
Courses Begin in September 2023

CLICK TO INITIATE APPLICATION
View Eligibility Requirements and Application Instructions

The CTSC Advanced Certificate in Clinical & Translational Investigation is comprised of a core curriculum in clinical and translational research structured as lectures, interactive seminars, and workshops that can be completed within a one year period.

APPLICATIONS FROM ALL DISCIPLINES ARE WELCOME TO APPLY.
INDIVIDUALS FROM UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS, DISADVANTAGED BACKGROUNDS AND/OR WITH DISABILITIES ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.

What is Translational Science? Translational Science is the field of investigations that focus on turning observations in the laboratory, clinic, and community into interventions that improve the health of individuals and the public—from diagnostics and therapeutics to medical procedures and behavioral changes. Read more about the stages of translational science here.

The goal of the Clinical & Translational Education Program (CTEP) is to educate and train highly motivated individuals to become successful, members of the clinical and translational (C/T) research workforce with a strong foundation in knowledge and practical skills to conduct clinical and translational team research across disciplines and institutions.

REVIEW CRITERIA
Upon submission to the online application module ePAR, your application will undergo review based on several Application Review Criteria.

APPLICATION PROCESS & TIMELINE
Applications are due by 5pm on Wednesday, March 8, 2023. Applicants will be notified by June 2023 whether his/her application is approved. At that time, if accepted, the applicant must complete additional required enrollment documents.

Questions? See CTEP FAQs, or email CTSC-Education@med.cornell.edu
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ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Applications must comply with eligibility and submission requirements

Missing or incomplete documents or information will disqualify your application for review

Program Eligibility - All Candidates

Must be a US Citizen, Non-Citizen National, or Permanent Resident (Proof of residency status required)

Must have primary appointment or be employed at a Weill Cornell CTSC partner institution

Only 2 resubmissions are allowed by an individual applicant

Medical students and Medical Doctors (MDs), MD/PhDs, senior residents, fellows

Veterinarians (DVM), Osteopaths (DO), Dentists (DDS, DMD), or Physical Therapists (DPT)

Pre- and Post-doctoral PhDs seeking a career in clinical and translational research

Faculty members from any of the partnering Weill Cornell CTSC institutions

PhD candidates in Nursing School, those with Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), and Doctorate of Science in Nursing (DNS) degrees

Certified Physicians’ Assistants and Clinical Research Project Coordinators/Aides with a bachelor’s degree

Application Instructions and Checklist

To access your application login to WebCAMP. Click on Protocol Authoring and Review. Under the Abbreviated Title column click on Your Advanced Certificate Title to access your application. Links to required application sections (Trainee Application Form, Biosketch and Supporting Documents) are in the upper left hand side of the application page.

Trainee Application Form

- A valid employer issued/institutional email is required to initiate an application.
- Is this a re-submission? Answer ‘yes’ if the current application is a re-submission of a prior application that was not selected for funding/admissions. Resubmissions must outline/highlight changes from previous submission. No more than 2 resubmissions are allowed.
- Click on your current Residency Status.
- Has there been any disadvantage in your life or training that you have had to overcome?

Biosketch

Upload a PDF file for the applicant; note the new NIH Biosketch format is required.

Supporting Documents – Please Upload Attachments as individual PDF files.

1. Clinical Research Experience: Provide a concise description of your research experience (clinical or otherwise), and translational research goals, if applicable.

2. Career Statement (1 page or less): Discuss short and long-term goals, how this award would impact your career & professional development. Include your First Name, Last Name in the upper left hand corner.

3. Letters: address to the Advanced Certificate Admissions Committee, on departmental letterhead, sign, and send from the department to ctsc-education@med.cornell.edu with candidate’s name in the subject header.

   a) Department Chair/Division Chief Letter: Must state approval for candidate to participate in the Advanced Certificate program to attend courses.

   b) Letters of Recommendation: 2 letters of recommendation from professors or other professionals in a
position to judge the applicant’s preparation & fitness for training in the proposed program of study.

4. **Provide Verification of Residency Status:**
   - **US Citizen:** U.S. Passport, Birth Certificate, Certificate of Citizenship, or Naturalization Certificate
   - **Non-Citizen National:** a notary’s signed statement certifying that you have legal verification of such status
   - **Lawfully Admitted Permanent Resident:** a notary’s signed statement certifying that you have legal verification of such status and scanned copy of Permanent Resident Card (USCIS Form I-551)

5. **Transcripts and Test Scores:** Upload digital copies of transcripts and applicable exam scores with application submission. Upon acceptance, official documents will be requested. TOEFL exam scores are required in cases where English is not the applicants’ native language.

6. **Non-Refundable Application Processing Fee ($175):** A non-refundable Application Processing Fee of $175 payable by a departmental account or by PayPal must accompany all applications. Please contact ctsc-education@med.cornell.edu to set up a departmental transfer. For PayPal, please use the link below to pay the application fee: [https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=963CRYNF9QTVA](https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=963CRYNF9QTVA). Once you have successfully completed the payment, please upload a photo of the receipt to your WebCAMP application as proof of payment.

   *Medical/Graduate students, please email [ctsc-education@med.cornell.edu](mailto:ctsc-education@med.cornell.edu) before proceeding to make payment.*

A. **How to Submit Your Advanced Certificate Application**

1. Return to the Application Status Page (link in the upper left-hand side of the page), click on the blue **Submit Application** button.
2. If you do not see the **Submit Application**, please click the **Run Detailed Completeness Check** link to display items missing, or incomplete.

Questions? See [CTEP FAQs](mailto:CTEPFAQs), or email [CTSC-Education@med.cornell.edu](mailto:CTSC-Education@med.cornell.edu)
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Application Review Criteria

Each application is carefully reviewed by at least two independent evaluators taking into consideration the following criteria:

- **Candidate’s quality** - career statement, research experience, potential for future funding and publication, publication/presentation background, and quality of research experience

- **Departmental Commitment** – Letter from division/department head ensuring protected time and approval for the candidate to attend classes.

- **Letters of recommendation** must come from professors or other professionals in a position to judge the applicant’s preparation and fitness for graduate work in the proposed program of study

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