

## NIH F Award Workshop Series

***A collaborative effort between Office of Research, PICR, and OGSPS***

### ***Who should attend?***

- 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup>-year PhD students (for the F31 award); MD/PhD students within 1-1.5 years into their PhD studies (for the F30 award); PhD Candidates or newer postdocs (for the F32 award), all U.S. citizens or permanent residents

### ***Why apply for an F award?***

- Receive a stipend (and have the tuition covered for F30/31)
- Improve critical grant writing and communication skills early on in career
- Establish new collaborations
- Align with the development of thesis projects

### ***Why attend this workshop?***

- *Have a competitive application ready for the April 2026 deadline*
- *Expert instructors*
  - Dr. Perry Kirkham, *Coordinator of NIH Research Development, Office of Research*
  - Rachel Higbee, *NSF Graduate Research Fellow, OGSPS Fellowship Writing Coach*
  - Guest speakers with review and award experience
- *Multiple reviews*
  - Drafts after each lecture will be reviewed by peer participants and instructors.
  - Drafts and final applications will be reviewed by each participant's mentor(s).
  - Final application packages will be reviewed by additional faculty members before submission.
  - Optional Mock Review Panel participation

### **Key Lecture Dates**

#### ***September 23, 2025***

Info Session: Fellowship and Workshop Series Overview

#### ***September 30, 2025***

Topic 1: Specific Aims and Review Criteria

#### ***October 28, 2025***

Topic 2: Research Strategy: Scientific Foundation & Rationale

#### ***December 2, 2025***

Topic 3: Research Strategy: Approach

#### ***January 13, 2026***

Topic 4: Candidate's Goals, Preparedness, Potential, etc.

#### ***February 10, 2026***

Topic 5: Biosketch and Other Documents

#### ***April 8, 2026***

Submission due

**Register before September 16, 2025 at: <https://redcap.link/FWorkshop>**

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