The goal of this training program is to provide an in-depth understanding of regenerative musculoskeletal medicine in areas of investigation ranging from development biology and pathobiology to tissue repair and bioengineering. As the goal of this training grant is to foster the development of interdisciplinary scientists, trainees must have a co-mentor in a complimentary field.

The training program is open to any UCLA postdoctoral fellow who is a US citizen or permanent resident and whose research interest focuses on aspects of musculoskeletal biology.

Post-doctoral fellows typically enter the program in their second or third year and are required to complete academic and research activities with oversight from a faculty mentor and the training grant committee.

Selected trainees are eligible for up to two years of consecutive funding. Preference will be given to those with at least one year of postdoctoral training experience.

The training program is open to any UCLA postdoctoral fellow that: 1) has the equivalent of a clinical (e.g., MD or DDS) or PhD doctoral degree; 2) has documented a commitment to an academic career in biomedical musculoskeletal research; and 3) possesses US citizenship or permanent residency in the US.

Emphasis is placed on conducting research in special populations, including women, children, geriatric persons, and members of ethnic minority groups. Candidates from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups, those with disabilities and/or individuals from economically or educationally disadvantaged backgrounds are strongly encouraged to respond.

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