Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences

The Pew Scholars Program in the Biomedical Sciences provides funding to young investigators of outstanding promise in science relevant to the advancement of human health. The program makes grants to selected academic institutions to support the independent research of outstanding individuals who are in their first few years of their appointment at the assistant professor level.

The current grant level is $240,000; $60,000 per year for a four-year period. In 2015, Pew will name the next Class of Pew Scholars. For the 31st series of awards, to be made in 2015, one nomination will be invited from each of the participating institutions. Participating institutions have been selected on the basis of the scope of their work in biomedical research and recommended to The Pew Charitable Trusts by the National Advisory Committee of the Program. The application for the 2015 awards will open on August 1, 2014.

Eligible candidates MUST adhere to the below criteria without exception:

- Candidates must have been awarded a doctorate in biomedical sciences, medicine or a related field.
- As of November 1, 2014, nominees must hold full-time appointments at the rank of assistant professor.
- On July 1, 2014, candidates must have been in such an appointment for less than three years (not appointed before July 1, 2011), whether or not such an appointment was on a tenure track. Time spent in clinical internships, residencies, or in work toward board certification does not count as part of this three-year limit.
- Candidates may be nominated by their institution two times in total. ALL applicants must be nominated by their institution and must complete the 2015 online application.

Based on their performance during their education and training, candidates should demonstrate outstanding promise as contributors in science relevant to human health. Strong proposals will incorporate particularly creative and innovative approaches. Candidates whose work is based on biomedical principles, but brings in concepts and theories from more diverse fields, are encouraged to apply. Risk-taking is encouraged. Selection of the successful candidates will be based on a detailed description of the work that the applicant proposes to undertake, evaluations of the candidate’s performance, and notable past accomplishments, including honors, awards and publications. In evaluating the candidates, the National Advisory Committee gives considerable weight to evidence that the candidate is a successful independent investigator and has published significant work.

Funding from the NIH, other government sources, and project grants from non-profit associations do not pose a conflict with the Pew Scholars Program. If you have questions concerning eligibility, please contact Anita Pepper, Program Director, Pew Biomedical Programs at 215-531-8135 in advance of applying.

THIS IS A LIMITED SUBMISSION GRANT OPPORTUNITY. WSU is invited to nominate one WSU investigator by July 15, 2014. The Office of the Vice President for Research will accept notifications of interest from investigators and select the most competitive to go forward. The deadline for the external application for the 2015 Pew Scholars Program is November 3, 2014.

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NOMINATION BY WSU, please send an email to rifs@wayne.edu with a research project summary no longer than one page, curriculum vitae, and a letter of support from the chair of his or her division by 5PM on June 16, 2014. Please read the program’s ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA carefully.