About the Program

Fellowships are available in the Training in Education and Critical Research Skills Program (TEACRS) at Tufts University. This NIH-funded program is designed to prepare talented postdoctoral trainees with the career skills needed to succeed in academic biomedical research. Trainees spend on average 75% of their time conducting bench research and 25% of their time in career development activities that will help them manage the multiple demands of a faculty position. Opportunities are available in a wide range of biomedical research disciplines. Teaching skills are developed through programs involving mentored classroom assignments at minority-serving institutions in the Boston area. The training is supplemented by workshops and seminars on teaching methods, career opportunities in academia, and essential skills such as grant writing, mentoring, lab management and scientific presentations. The training components are sequenced to allow trainees to balance the activities and to build on previous experiences. TEACRS fellows receive up to four years of salary support and a yearly travel and supply allowance. They will complete our program ready to manage a successful research program, teach, and balance the multi-faceted demands inherent in a career as an academic scientist.

Application Information

The application deadline for positions beginning in the fall of 2015 is March 2. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents with no more than two years of postdoctoral training at the time of their appointment to the program. Commitment to the goals of the program, strong academic and research credentials and an interest in teaching and mentoring will be important criteria used in the selection process.

Why Boston, Massachusetts?

Tufts is located in the academic and intellectual hub of Boston, home to more than 60 distinguished colleges and universities. A truly multi-cultural city, it boasts the largest concentration of international students in the world, providing an unparalleled environment for study and research opportunities. In addition to the numerous colleges and universities, many of the world’s leading biomedical research institutions and biotech companies have headquarters or branches based in and around Boston. Recreational activities are abundant and range from music, museums, sports, theatre and restaurants. The beaches of Cape Cod and the hiking trails and ski slopes of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont are only 2 to 3 hours away. In Boston, you will discover one of America’s most cultural, stimulating, and livable cities.