

The Keystone Symposia

Fellows Program

Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology offers a unique, cutting-edge, life science Fellows program for postdoctoral fellows who are at least two years into their program, new assistant professors, and scientists from industry engaged in laboratory-based research.

ABOUT KEYSTONE SYMPOSIA

Keystone Symposia is a premier, nonprofit, life science research and education organization that has been accelerating life science discovery through high-quality research conferences since 1972. As part of our vision to enhance participation in life science research by scientists from underrepresented (UR) populations, we now offer an opportunity to learn how the field of research science works and how research is selected for presentation at international conferences on cancer, metabolism/diabetes, genetics, infectious disease, cardiovascular disease, immunology and many other research topics.

“ The Fellows Program has given me even greater energy to continue my efforts in promoting the life sciences to UR groups.”

— Marcus Jones, Ph.D.
2010–2011 Keystone Symposia Fellow

ABOUT THE FELLOWS PROGRAM

As participants in the Keystone Symposia programming process, Fellows are actively engaged in intensive discussions with renowned, well-established scientists around the globe. Successful candidates will have the opportunity to engage the “giants in the field” through a variety of formats including online study groups, teleconferences and two face-to-face meetings. Applicants must document face-to-face mentoring and support activities with designated scientists from UR backgrounds and a forward-focused commitment to broad participation in life science research.

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- > How is research put forward?
- > How are selections made in planning life science research conferences?
- > How is a research agenda set?

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“ I must tell you that being recognized as a Keystone Symposia Fellow truly made a difference in how I was perceived at the meeting... Your diversity efforts are already making a dramatic difference for me.”

— Cherié Butts, Ph.D.
2008–2009 Keystone Symposia Fellow

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

All candidates must be U.S. Citizens or U.S. Permanent Residents, have an M.D. or Ph.D. in a life science discipline and be actively engaged in laboratory research. Applications from scientists in industry at the postdoctoral or early-research-scientist level will be considered. Applicants must be from populations identified as underrepresented: American Indian/Alaska Native, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, and individuals with disabilities. They must also be able to document a commitment to inclusiveness within the life science field, as well as experience in one-to-one mentoring/experiential learning with students from one of the UR populations listed above. Candidates must commit to identifying, mentoring and advancing the research careers of UR scientists as they progress along their career paths.

For more information, including biographies and photos of past Keystone Symposia Fellows, visit keystonesymposia.org/fellows.

If you have questions, please email DLSP@keystonesymposia.org.

FOCUS

The focus of this Program is to expose emerging scientists to the intellectual framework driving the scientific community at present. Further, it is designed | to advance participation in life science research by scientists from traditional and historically UR populations who are US citizens or permanent residents. Graduates of the Keystone Symposia Fellows Program become members of a unique cadre of scientists who are well-connected, knowledgeable members of the life sciences community and active proponents of inclusive practices in life science research.

CURRICULUM

Fellows are required to complete and submit regular written curricular exercises throughout the Program period. While these may vary from year to year, candidates should plan on 4-5 written submissions, each ranging in length from 2-4 typed written pages. Travel to two required Scientific Advisory Board meetings in January and June will be funded by Keystone Symposia.



SELECTION PROCESS

Applications for the 2016–2017 Fellows Program will be available online (keystonesymposia.org/fellows) in February 2016. Candidates will be selected by the Keystone Symposia Fellows Program Admissions Committee, and applicants will be notified of selection decisions in time to participate in our June 2016 Board meetings in Keystone, Colorado.

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