

UC San Diego Health

The UC San Diego 2026 Medical Student Training in Aging Research (MSTAR) application is now open. The deadline to apply is Friday, January 23rd, by 4pm PST.

Applicants are required to complete the application form, which includes uploading the following documents:

- * Personal statement
- * CV
- * Letter from the Home Faculty Sponsor

It is important to review the website for the full list of required attachments and ensure all documents are completed before starting this application.

Please enter your initials for each statement to indicate your understanding and agreement.

Yes

No

I affirm that I will have completed at least one year of study at a school of medicine prior to June 2026.

I affirm that I am a citizen or permanent resident of the United States.

I understand that my application will not be considered complete until it includes a Home Institution Faculty Sponsor plan (from a faculty mentor from my home medical school) and the NIH-style biographical sketch of the Home Institution Faculty Sponsor.

Yes

No

I agree to commit a minimum of 8 consecutive weeks (or 2 months, as appropriate) to the Program, 320 work hours.

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I understand the earliest start date I can select is mid-May

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I understand that all of the information that I have provided will be verified as a normal part of the application process and that any application which contains falsehoods will be immediately disqualified, and my institution notified of the irregularities.

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Yes

No

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, all of my statements made in this application and to persons who contact me about this application, are true and made in good faith.

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I acknowledge that travel and housing expenses are not included in the scholarship.

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I am NOT a former recipient of this award.

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Applicant Information

First Name

Middle Name

Last Name

Telephone

Date of Birth

Email

Current Medical School Information

Current Medical School

Month/Year started

Expected Graduation Year

Are you applying with a UC San Diego mentor? If so, please provide their name, title, and email. (You can apply with or without a mentor. If you are applying without a mentor, our program staff will match you with a UCSD faculty mentor after you will have been accepted to the program.)

Mentor's Full Name

Mentor's Title

Mentor's Email

Please select your preferred area of research. A minimum of 2 required and maximum of 4

Addiction Medicine

Alzheimer's Disease and/or Related Dementias

Biology of Aging

Dermatology

Health Disparities

HIV and Aging

Oncology

Psychiatry

Surgical Specialties

Technology in Aging

Other. Please describe below

Please list all research experience

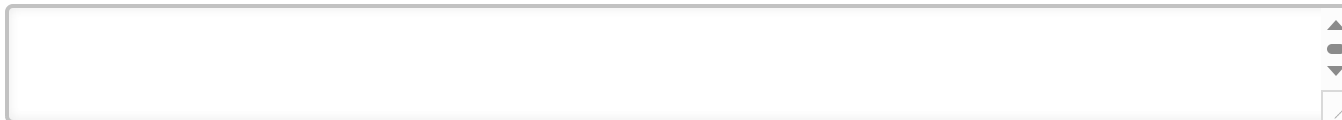
Please list the earliest date you can start the MSTAR program (no sooner than mid-May), and the latest date you can complete the program:



Please let us know if you will not be in-person for any part of 2026 Summer MSTAR.



Do you anticipate any particular scheduling needs during the summer?



How did you hear about this scholarship program?

CV

Please upload your CV/Resume here. Save it as a pdf titled "Last Name_First Name_CV.pdf" and upload it here.

HOME INSTITUTION FACULTY SPONSOR FORM

Please upload your HOME INSTITUTION FACULTY SPONSOR here. **Use the blank form that can be downloaded on our website.** Please

save it as a pdf titled "Last Name_First Name_HIFS.pdf" and upload it here.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Describe your past experiences, expectations for the program, future goals, and any other information you would like the review committee to consider. Your statement should address your interest in geriatrics or aging research, explain how this interest connects to your listed honors, activities, and coursework, and describe why you are interested in this program in particular. (maximum of 750 words).

You can upload your personal statement as a pdf with the button below, please use the blank form that can be downloaded on our website. Please save it as a pdf titled "Last Name_First Name_Personal