



Joint Postdoctoral Fellowship in Clinical Ethics and the ELSI of Precision Medicine

Call for Applications:

The University of North Carolina (UNC) Center for Genomics and Society (CGS) and the Center for Bioethics (C:B), together with the Program for Precision Medicine in Health Care (PPMH), announce a joint postdoctoral position in clinical ethics and the ethical, legal, and social implications (ELSI) of precision medicine. Through this partnership, we are expanding the original CGS postdoctoral training program to include an emphasis on practical clinical ethics and attention to precision medicine. We are pleased to invite applications from individuals who are committed to interdisciplinary collaboration and research, and who have specific interests in these areas.

This **two-year fellowship** will begin in September 2022. The fellowship allows time for research, training, and publications. Fellows will have the opportunity to collaborate with CGS, C:B, and PPMH faculty in the School of Medicine on selected projects in bioethics. They will also have the opportunity to participate in the Clinical Ethics Service at UNC Hospitals. With the assistance of a mentor, fellows will design an individual program tailored to their particular goals, interests, and background. Fellows may use the resources of CGS, C:B, and/or PPMH to develop projects on various topics relevant to clinical ethics and ELSI, as well as projects that highlight current PPMH interests, such as: use of genetics for screening healthy populations of adults and children; use of genomic information and family history in electronic health records; engagement of diverse populations in genomics and precision medicine; or design of precision medicine research.

Fellows will have access to a wide range of activities and opportunities within the CGS, C:B, and the PPMH, including:

- Regular seminars, presentations, and discussions with leaders in the field;
- Bioethics mentorship;
- Professional development training;
- Teaching opportunities (commensurate with experience and background);
- Clinical ethics consultation training in UNC Hospitals;
- Independent and collaborative research;
- Publication opportunities (as a co-author, lead author, or solo author);
- Grant-writing opportunities;
- Conference presentations

Qualifications:

- Candidates should have a strong interest in clinical ethics, precision medicine, and/or ELSI research, and have recently completed a doctoral degree (PhD, JD, MD) before beginning the program.
- We welcome individuals from a variety of disciplines in the social and behavioral sciences, genetics or other basic sciences, epidemiology, nursing, medicine, law, philosophy, or public health.

Salary/Benefits:

- Salary is commensurate with experience and similar to rates offered by the NIH
- Health insurance
- A modest discretionary fund for travel

How to apply:

Review of applications will begin immediately with a deadline of May 31, 2022. Candidates may apply via PeopleAdmin [<https://unc.peopleadmin.com/postings/221929>].

Complete applications require the following materials:

- Cover letter
- Personal statement in support of your application (2 pages, maximum)
- CV
- Three letters of reference
- Writing sample (published or unpublished for which you were the lead or solo author)

For more information on this fellowship position, please contact Kriste Kuczynski (kriste.kuczynski@unc.edu), Program Manager of the Center for Genomics and Society.

Our fellowship program is profoundly committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion and seeks candidates who foster and share this commitment. Scholars from historically underrepresented groups, who have experienced socioeconomic disadvantage, or who have disabilities are especially encouraged to apply.