

DIME/uOSSC One-Year Fellowship in Medical Education Research with or without Simulation

AND

DIME/uOSSC Two-Year Research-Intensive Fellowship in Medical Education Research with or without Simulation

****Note: Currently, we are accepting fellows for a July 1, 2024 start. This may change in the setting of the COVID-19 pandemic. All applicants will be updated as information becomes available.****

Introduction:

The Department of Innovation in Medical Education (DIME) in partnership with the University of Ottawa Skills and Simulation Centre (uOSSC) are offering a Fellowship in Medical Education Research with or without Simulation. The overall aim of this fellowship is to prepare candidates for an academic career as clinician educators. The program will include both:

- Training and mentorship in curriculum, teaching, and learning.
- Initiating, designing and conducting innovative research relevant to the field of health professions education and practice.
- There are 2 fellowships available:
 - 1) DIME/uOSSC Fellowship in Medical Education Research (+/-Simulation)
 - 2) DIME/uOSSC Two-Year Research-Intensive Fellowship in Medical Education (+/-Simulation)

DIME and the uOSSC have established collaborations with the Medical Council of Canada and the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons Canada.

DIME/uOSSC Fellowship Objectives:

1. Demonstrate knowledge of key issues in medical education relevant to the clinical educator.
2. Initiate, design, conduct, present and or publish an educational research project or scholarly project under the supervision of a DIME Faculty member and clinical supervisor. The 2-year fellowship will provide sufficient time for completion of the entire research cycle.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of concepts in learning theory, experimental design, quantitative and qualitative analysis, evaluation, and computer applications in education.
4. Participate in structured DIME/uOSSC Fellowship curriculum (see items 5 and 6 under Expectations) and other educational activities (i.e. Meridith Marks Day Medical Education Day, DIME rounds, End of Year Ceremony, journal club).
5. Demonstrate commitment to medical education by considering enrolment in a graduate degree program in education (Masters or PhD).

Sponsoring clinical departments will have additional specific objectives for their discipline. Please contact clinical departments for details. If you are applying from outside of Canada and wish to do clinical work during your fellowship, you must apply to and be accepted by the appropriate clinical department.

Expectations for Enrolment in the DIME/uOSSC Fellowship:

1. Enrolment in a Master of Education degree or PhD is strongly recommended and will be viewed favorably. (This is mandatory for the 2-year fellowship)
2. Minimum 1-year commitment to 1-year Fellowship (2 years for 2-year fellowship)
3. Minimum 50% protected non-clinical time/duties (NCT)
4. Co-supervision by a DIME Faculty member and a clinician within the supporting/sponsoring Department with a similar research interest.
5. Healthcare Education Scholars Program (HESP) attendance is mandatory. It is scheduled on Tuesday mornings from 8 am to 12pm.
6. Foundational Elements of Applied Simulation Theory (FEAST) is mandatory for fellows who are considered "Simulation fellows", and is scheduled for Wednesday mornings (with limited exceptions) from 8:30 am to 11:30am. It is available as an option for all DIME/uOSSC fellows.
7. Participation in a scholarly project or a research project is mandatory. For the 2-year fellowship, a fully developed and completed research project is mandatory.

Application Process for the DIME/uOSSC Fellowship:

1) Canadian medical graduates who do not plan to do clinical work must apply to both the Postgraduate Medical Education (PGME) Office AND directly to DIME. You can access the PGME website here (<http://www.med.uottawa.ca/Postgraduate/eng/>). Then send a separate application directly to DIME. Applicants should submit to DIME:

- A completed application form;
- Current CV;
- Statement of research interest(s) or proposal;
- Plans for financial support;
- Three letters of reference.

2) Canadian medical graduates who do plan to do clinical work must apply to both the appropriate clinical department AND directly to DIME. On the postgraduate website select the appropriate clinical department. Then send a separate application directly to DIME. Please note that the clinical department deadline and DIME deadline for applications may be different. It is strongly suggested that you contact the clinical department directly for specific information regarding applications. Applicants should submit to DIME: 1) A completed application form; 2) Current CV; 3) Statement of research interest(s) or proposal; 4) Plans for financial support, and 5) Three letters of reference and a letter of support from their Department and/or Division Heads acknowledging the protected time requirements.

(<http://www.med.uottawa.ca/Postgraduate/eng/>)

**If the fellow is planning on doing a 2-year research intensive fellowship, and wishes to do clinical work for 2 years, this needs to be discussed and approved by the appropriate clinical department.

3) International medical graduates

All international fellows must also complete an application through the Postgraduate Medical Education Office (<https://med.uottawa.ca/postgraduate/prospective-trainees/fellowship-application-system>) under Foreign Fellow Application. Select the appropriate clinical department, or if no clinical work will be completed, select DIME/uOSSC Fellowship in Medical Education.

4) Fees

All applicants who are accepted will be charged a fee to register with the Postgraduate Medical Education office. Please contact their office directly for a current fee. Applicants will be responsible

for any administrative fees charged by the post-graduate office. In addition, a tuition fee of **\$10,000** will apply to all Canadian DIME/uOSSC fellows EXCEPT fellows from contributing clinical departments. Please contact Dr. Susan Humphrey-Murto (shumphrey@toh.on.ca) for further information on which departments are current contributors. *Tuition fees for foreign applicants will need to be discussed with the DIME Chair, Dr. Vicki LeBlanc (vleblanc@uottawa.ca).*

5) Funding

No funding is provided during this fellowship through DIME.

First application deadline for International and Canadian applicants:

Midnight September 17, 2023 for July 1, 2024 start date.

Second application deadline for Canadian applicants (please note Canadian applicants are encouraged to apply in September as availability for the second deadline is not guaranteed):

Midnight March 17, 2023 (for July 1, 2024 start date)

Email completed forms to: dime@uottawa.ca

For questions and inquiries, please contact Dr. Susan Humphrey-Murto (shumphrey@toh.on.ca)

Application form for DIME/uOSSC Fellowship in Medical Education Research +/- Simulation

Name: _____

Academic Status: _____

Department/Division: _____

Contact phone number: _____

Email: _____

Application for 1-year fellowship Yes No

OR

2-year fellowship Yes No

Planning on doing Simulation Yes No (*if yes participation in FEAST is mandatory*)

Planning on doing clinical work Yes No (*Note: no funding for the fellowship*)

If no, what is your source of funding: _____

Have you been accepted by the clinical department Yes No

Contact person: _____ Department: _____

Currently enrolled in Masters or PhD in Education? Yes No Masters OR PhD

If yes, location: _____

If no, considering enrollment? Yes No

Specify details: _____

Have you contacted a DIME Faculty member for co-supervision? Yes No

If yes, specify who: _____

See application checklist on the next page

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September 17, 2023 for July 1, 2024 start

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Application Check List

1. This application form (page 3 only)
2. Current CV
3. Statement of research interests or proposal for academic scholarship (1 page maximum)
4. Plans for Financial Support
5. Three (3) letters of reference. If planning to do clinical work also include a letter of support from the Department and/or Division Heads acknowledging the protected time requirements.
6. For international graduate applicants, please include: translated transcripts and diplomas. Please note that we will not translate your records.
7. The University of Ottawa has mandatory immunization requirements for all postgraduate Fellows. Please see the link below for all requirements:
<https://med.uottawa.ca/postgraduate/current-trainees/registration/immunization-requirements>

Please send in your complete application in one single PDF file.

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