

2024 LMS SPORE CAREER ENHANCEMENT AWARD

Finalist Application Guidelines

Text: font size 11 or larger, Arial, Calibri, or New Times Roman.

Applicant's name on upper right corner of each page.

Margins: no less than 0.5"

Page limits, below, are MAXIMUM allowed. You are welcome to use less:

1. Abstract (30 lines)
2. Research Plan (**5 pages**, including figures)
 - a. Hypotheses and Specific Aims (~1 page)
 - b. Background and Significance (~1 page)
 - c. Preliminary Results (~1 page)
 - d. Research Design and Methods (~3 pages) – discuss potential difficulties and alternate approaches. Address statistical considerations and translational potential.
3. Career Development // Training in Clinical and Laboratory Research (**1 page**)
 - a. Describe advisory committee for proposed research and career development
 - b. Planned courses, conferences, meetings
 - c. Other experiences that will enhance career
4. Time Frame (provide estimated milestones)
5. Literature cited (no page limit)
6. One-year Budget The budget for the CEP Award is \$100,000: \$25,000 direct dollars are from NIH funds (institutional IDC may be applied) & \$75,000 direct dollars are from institutional/philanthropic funds (no IDC permitted on these funds). Please obtain an IDC waiver if required by your institution to accept the award should you be selected. Please submit your budget using the budget template provided.
7. Research Support
 - a. Current or pending
 - b. Project name, PI, Institution
 - c. Your role and percent effort
 - d. Total Award (Direct and Indirect Costs)
 - e. Project period (start and end dates) and description
 - f. Indicate if project is "either/or" in relationship to work proposed in this application
8. Letter of Institutional Commitment – signed by chairperson and confirming **50% protected time for research** and **faculty appointment** at an Eligible US or International-LMS-SPORE-affiliated institution (University of Toronto, Garvan Institute) at or shortly after the funding date.
9. Letter of Support from Mentor(s)
10. Letters of Support from Key Collaborators (optional)

Key Dates:

April 22: Finalist applications due; Sept 1: Funding start date