

SRS 2018 Career Skills Early Career Stage Clinical Investigator Award Application

The Sleep Research Society (SRS) announces funds to be made available for select early career stage clinical researchers to attend the post graduate course, Skills for Success in Academic Sleep Research and Clinical Practice, Session ID C03, on Saturday, June 2, 2018 in Baltimore, MD. A certificate and funds will be presented to awardees at the end of the course, being hosted in conjunction with SLEEP 2018, the annual meeting of the APSS.

The target audience for this course is clinical researchers and clinicians. The goal of this post graduate course is to provide guidance and instruction in a series of skills critical for academic success, whether one is a clinician or researcher. This type of professional development training if often not available so we are aiming to help fill that gap. Content will be aimed at a broad audience in order to be applicable to both trainees and faculty.

Upon completion of this session, attendees will be able to:

- Implement critical skills in the management of research and clinical project.
- Communicate clearly the results of research and clinical projects.
- Develop good working relationships with trainees and collaborators.

Success in an academic environment requires a set of critical skills, ranging from obtaining funding, managing projects, and communicating the results. These skills are necessary for both researchers and clinicians to succeed. However, there is often very little actual training in these skills in graduate school, on fellowship/residency, or in one's career. The assumption seems to be that academics are able to pick up these skills through osmosis or just from working in an academic environment, but this is often not the case. Even those established in their career often lack basic skills in the management of projects and personnel. We feel there is a critical need to create training opportunities for sleep researchers and clinicians to develop these skills in order to advance both their own science/practice and the field as a whole. This course is intended to be one step towards that goal. Leaders in the field have been brought together to cover a series of skills that were identified as critical for academic success.

A full course description may be found<u>here</u>.

Date of Application: Applicant Name: Applicant Email Address: SRS Member Number: Current Institution: (*Current/All other affiliations w/in past three yrs*) Department: Academic Title: Name of Mentor: Institution: (*Current/All other affiliations w/in past three yrs*) Department: Academic Title:

Required documentation

- 1. SRS 2018 Award Application (This page)
- 2. Personal Statement (*Limit one page, one half inch margins and 11 Arial Font*) *Must include: Background, Research interest; Future goals; How this course promotes your future goals*
- 3. Mentor's Letter of Recommendation

This complete application must be submitted as a single PDF File to coordinator@srsnet.org.