Postdoctoral Research Scholars Program in Bioethics

The Center for Bioethics at Harvard Medical School invites applications for the Postdoctoral Research Scholars Program in Bioethics for appointments commencing in summer/fall 2018.

This one- or two-year program aims to prepare scholars with the knowledge and skills necessary to become leaders in the field of bioethics. Research scholars will be fully integrated into the community of scholars at the Center for Bioethics, with access to the resources Harvard Medical School and the University at large.

Scholars will receive an annual stipend, benefits, and an allotment for academic expenses and travel.

The core experience will include:

- **Mentored research.** Scholars will work closely with faculty mentors from across the University to develop and conduct original research in the field of bioethics. A primary aim of the program is to prepare candidates with the knowledge and skills necessary to obtain competitive research funding, and to develop a successful academic career in bioethics.

- **Educational opportunities.** Each candidate will work with the faculty to develop a customized educational program to ensure that they develop expertise across the field of bioethics as a whole, as well as in-depth knowledge related to their special areas of interest. Postdoctoral research scholars will have access the Center’s courses and seminars, as well as the potential to audit relevant Harvard University courses.

- **Community life.** Scholars will be fully engaged with the activities of the Center and the Harvard-affiliated teaching hospitals. They will take responsibility for organizing and conducting conferences and seminars, and will be asked to assist in teaching courses in their areas of interest. They will have opportunities to participate on hospital clinical ethics committees and institutional review boards. In short, the postdoctoral experience provides the greatest possible access to all that Harvard University has to offer.

**Application Information:**

Applications are invited from scholars who have or will have completed a doctoral degree (MDs, JDs, PhDs or equivalent) by June 1, 2018. Doctorates may be in any relevant field, including but not limited to public health, psychology, economics, philosophy, sociology, or anthropology.

The deadline for summer or fall 2018 is March 30, 2018. Applications are considered throughout the year under special circumstances.

**Process:** A completed application, submitted online, includes each of the following:

- A curriculum vitae
- A personal statement describing the applicant's interest in the program and what the applicant hopes to achieve from the program.
- A published or unpublished writing sample for which the candidate is the sole or lead author.
- Three letters of reference.

For additional information visit the Center for Bioethics’s website or email bioethics_postdoc@hms.harvard.edu.