

# Postdoctoral Scholar Position Announcement

## Background

Established in 2022, the [Institute on Digital Health and Innovation](#) (IDHI) within the Florida State University College of Nursing promotes individual, public health, and health equity through collaborative and synergistic partnerships for the development, evaluation, and dissemination of digital health tools, technologies, and innovations. The mission of IDHI is to advance digital health science, technologies, and tools focused on solving real world needs of patients, providers, and populations through research, training, and innovation to maximize health and eliminate health inequities.

IDHI is currently accepting applications for a **postdoctoral fellowship position to start in Summer 2023**. This mentored fellowship is designed to prepare exceptional early career scholars for an independent research-focused career in academia, government, civil society, the private or non-profit sector, or advocacy. Scholars will build their own research portfolio and collaborate with peer scholars and [IDHI faculty and professionals at FSU](#) and [partnering institutions](#).

IDHI faculty lead numerous federally-funded research networks and studies, including the NIH-funded [Adolescent Medicine Trials Network](#) for HIV/AIDS Interventions (ATN) Scientific Leadership Center and the [HealthMpowerment digital health initiative](#). More information about past and on-going research studies is [available here](#).

## Mentored research and professional development

Scholars will engage in a variety of mentored research and professional development activities. Scholars will receive primary mentorship from IDHI Director, Dr. Lisa Hightow-Weidman, MPH, MD; and Associate Director, Dr. Kate Muessig, PhD. In addition, scholars will be supported in building a mentorship network tailored specifically to their development needs and research areas of interest. At the start of the fellowship, scholars will work with their mentorship team to create an individual development plan which will include training goals and activities. Scholars will be encouraged and supported through networking opportunities with professionals and faculty across diverse disciplines in the top-rated research universities and institutions in the U.S. and globally. IDHI leadership and collaborating partners have extensive experience supporting the professional development of early career trainees and faculty, including skill-building in: research grant proposal development; manuscript development and publication; qualitative and quantitative research methods; behavioral intervention development, implementation, and evaluation; and career planning and advancement.

In addition to being integrated with ongoing research projects, scholars will have protected time and mentorship to develop their own independent research ideas and portfolios. This may include activities such as: publishing dissertation manuscripts, writing an NIH training and/or career development awards (e.g. F series, K series), attending professional meetings and conferences, guest lecturing, and engaging in professional service activities. The specific balance of collaborative research and independent research will be discussed with the mentorship team and tailored to meet the scholar's professional development goals.

## Required Qualifications

- Background in behavioral and social science research
- Doctorate or appropriate terminal degree in Public Health, Nursing, Psychology, Social Work, Sociology, Anthropology or another related discipline.
- Experience with qualitative and/or quantitative research methods
- Commitment to cultural humility, mutual respect, and equity in partnerships and projects

- Experience and/or interest in HIV prevention and care research, or populations affected by HIV and other sexually transmitted infections

## Desired Qualifications

- Experience and/or interest in LGBTQ+/sexual and gender minority (SGM) health and research
- Experience conducting intervention health research and/or practice
- Experience and/or interest in digital health tools, interventions, and research/practice applications.

**Commitment to Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion:** IDHI fosters and supports a diverse team of [students, faculty, and staff](#). We aim to create a work and training environment where all feel respected and comfortable to contribute their time, talents, experiences, and perspectives to advancing IDHI's research, training, and service missions and their own professional development. We strongly encourage applications from diverse individuals, including but not limited to diversity in such characteristics as race, ethnicity, color, national origin, age, gender identity and gender expression, sexual orientation, socioeconomic background, religion, creed, veteran status, and disability. FSU is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

**Compensation:** This is a full-time, 12-month appointment with standard benefits and a salary range of \$70,000 to \$75,000. In addition, scholars will be provided with a generous discretionary fund to support professional development and research activities. The initial appointment will be for one year with the possibility of renewal for an additional year.

**Work Schedule/Location:** Schedule is M-F, 8-5 pm with flexibility for some occasional evening and weekend hours to accommodate study needs. Currently, this position has the option to be hybrid/remote and will be reviewed annually per the university and College of Nursing policy. Time off is commensurate with FSU's holiday schedule and standard benefits.

**University Information:** One of the nation's elite research universities, Florida State University preserves, expands, and disseminates knowledge in the sciences, technology, arts, humanities, and professions, while embracing a philosophy of learning strongly rooted in the traditions of the liberal arts and critical thinking. Founded in 1851, Florida State University is the oldest continuous site of higher education in Florida. FSU is a community steeped in tradition that fosters research, encourages creativity, and embraces diversity. At FSU, there's the excitement of being part of a vibrant academic and professional community, surrounded by people whose ideas are shaping tomorrow's news! [Learn more](#) about our university and campuses.

## How to apply

Applications must be submitted as a single pdf file to Matthew Rosso at [mrosso@fsu.edu](mailto:mrosso@fsu.edu). Your application should include:

- A cover letter that describes your specific research interests, skills and experience, and career goals that directly relate to this fellowship position. (limit: 2 pages single spaced)
- A brief description (e.g. Project Summary, synopsis, or Specific Aims page) of a research project idea that you would like to develop and implement during your postdoctoral training period (limit: 1 page, single spaced)
- Your current resume/CV
- The names and contact information for three references who can speak to your skills and qualifications for this position.

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis until the position is filled. Applications that are incomplete or non-responsive will not be considered.