



# MCUAAAR Mondays

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## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES



### Promoting Diversity in Alzheimer's Data Science and Drug Discovery Research

NIA is deeply committed to increasing diversity among the scientific workforce we support. Analysis of the biomedical research workforce focusing on Alzheimer's and related dementias has recently spotlighted two skills that are in especially high demand: data science and drug discovery. There is an even greater shortage of investigators with these specialized skills who come from underrepresented groups, and a dearth of resources and support to help these individuals achieve independent research careers.

To address these gaps, NIA recently released three targeted funding opportunity announcements (FOAs) designed to promote a diverse Alzheimer's and related dementias research workforce that has these in-demand skillsets of data science and drug discovery.

- An [NIA Predoctoral Fellowship Award to Promote Diversity in Translational Research for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias](#) (F31) for Ph.D. students at the dissertation stage. It includes a two- or three-year stipend plus funding for tuition and research expenses. **The next application due date is Dec. 8, 2021.**
- An [NIA Postdoctoral Fellowship Award to Promote Diversity in Translational Research for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias](#) (F32) for early-career postdocs, including the first year after receiving a Ph.D. It includes a two- or three-year stipend and research support. **The next application due date is also Dec. 8, 2021.**
- [NIA Advanced Postdoctoral Career Transition Awards to Promote Diversity in Translational Research for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias](#) (K99/R00), a "Pathway to Independence Award" designed for investigators with less than four years of postdoctoral experience who want to become independent principal investigators. Funding will help awardees obtain a faculty position and transition to an independent position. It includes funds for a two-year [K99](#) postdoctoral stipend and a [R00](#) award of up to three years of subsequent faculty salary and research support. **The next application due date is Feb. 12, 2022.**

## NEWS



**Coming of age: Grow your science, share your data via the NIA AgingResearchBiobank**

The AgingResearchBiobank, a state-of-the-art repository of biospecimens and data from NIA-supported longitudinal and clinical studies, continues to expand. Get to know the latest studies

available from the Biobank, and how it can accelerate your research while making it easier to comply with NIH data management and sharing policies. [Read the full blog post.](#)

## EVENTS



*The RCMI, ASCEND, and School of Computer, Mathematical and Natural Sciences at Morgan State University present:*

### Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias: Impact on Diverse Communities



#### **Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias: Impact on Diverse Communities** **Thursday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 4pm EST**

Several Schools and Departments at Morgan State University are presenting this program and it is being co-sponsored by the Johns Hopkins Alzheimer's Disease Research Center (JHADRC) and the Johns Hopkins Alzheimer's Disease Resource Center for

Minority Aging Research (JHAD-RCMAR). Dr. Roland J. Thorpe (MCUAAAR National Advisory Panel member) is Director of JHAD-RCMAR and a Professor in the Department of Health, Behavior, and Society in the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health with a joint appointment in the Department of Neuroscience, and Geriatric Medicine and Gerontology in the School of Medicine.

To Register: <https://tinyurl.com/Nov18Seminar>

## RESOURCES



#### **The Art of Saying No**

- Are you confused about when to say "yes" and "no" to other people's requests?
- Do you often say "yes" to requests without realizing the impact that response will have on your time and productivity?
- Do you find yourself feeling angry and resentful during the academic year because you've said "yes" too often?

- You're not alone! Many faculty (pre and post-tenure) find it incredibly difficult to sort out when, why and how to say "NO."

In this webinar, you will learn:

- The biggest mistakes faculty make in responding to requests
- How to identify and disrupt problematic patterns
- Our favorite strategies that you can implement immediately so you can add "no" to your vocabulary

**You can access the resources on the National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity website (<https://www.facultydiversity.org/>) via your institution's membership. This is a recorded webinar.**

## [JOBS](#)

### **Assistant Professor**

#### **Afro-American Studies, University of Wisconsin, Madison**

We are very excited to announce that the Department of Afro American Studies at the University of Wisconsin at Madison is seeking to hire a new Assistant Professor in Social Scientists, broadly speaking. We are interested in aggressively recruiting those we believe are studying issues of the most pressing nature with the most rigorous and/or cutting edge research methodologies. The successful candidate will be responsible for teaching introductory survey courses and advanced courses related to the area of specialization; conducting scholarly research; and performing University and community service as appropriate.

**For more information** - <https://jobs.hr.wisc.edu/en-us/job/511055/assistant-professor-in-afroamerican-studies>  
**A PRBA colleague, Dr. Mosi Ifatunji**, who is a Social Scientist working in the department with affiliations and appointments across the University **is open to speaking with potential applicants. He can be reached at** [ifatunji@wisc.edu](mailto:ifatunji@wisc.edu).

**Deadline for full consideration - January, 18 2022**

### **Postdoctoral Scholars**

#### **Boston University, College of Arts and Sciences**

The College of Arts and Sciences just issued a [call for applications](#) for Postdoctoral Scholars as part of the new [Society of Fellows](#) program. The postdoctoral scholars will be appointed for two years, with an option of renewal for a third year. The program will match postdoctoral scholars with faculty mentors across the College of Arts and Sciences and include opportunities for teaching, professional development, and interdisciplinary networking. Five scholars will be in the inaugural cohort, to begin September 1, 2022. Candidates must be early-career scholars who have completed their doctoral degree requirements between January 1, 2019 and September 1, 2022. Candidates should propose to conduct research in a field currently represented in CAS (broadly encompassing the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and mathematical & computational sciences).

**For more information** - <https://academicjobsonline.org/ajo/jobs/20239>

**Deadline for full consideration - Monday, November 22, 2021**

## [UPCOMING MCUAAAR EVENTS](#)

<b>Upcoming Events/Deadlines:</b>	
Next MCUAAAR Scientist Seminar	<b>Wednesday, December 1, 2021</b> 10:00 – 11:00am EDT
Next MCUAAAR Program Meeting	<b>Wednesday, December 8, 2021</b> 9:00 am – 11:00 am
Next Lunch & Learn	Combating the Opioid Crisis through Outreach and Education: Michigan Substance Use Prevention Education and Recovery (MiSUPER) <b>Wednesday, December 15, 2021</b> 11:00 am – 12:30 pm To join by computer - <a href="https://bit.ly/HBELunch">https://bit.ly/HBELunch</a>