

**Grant Title:** INSTITUTIONAL RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC CAREER DEVELOPMENT AWARDS (IRACDA) (K12)

**Funding Opportunity Number:** PAR-13-290. CFDA Number(s): 93.859.

**Agency/Department:** National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute of General Medical Sciences.

**Area of Research:** Develop a diverse group of highly trained biomedical and behavioral scientists.

**Release and Expiration:** Release Date: July 29, 2013. Expiration Date: September 24, 2015.

**Application Deadline:** October 2, 2013; September 24, 2014; September 24, 2015.

**Amount:** Application budgets are not limited, but need to reflect actual needs of the proposed project. Individuals designing, directing, and implementing the career development program may request salary and fringe benefits appropriate for the person months devoted to the program. Salaries requested may not exceed the levels commensurate with the institution's policy for similar positions and may not exceed the congressionally mandated cap. If mentoring interactions and other activities with scholars are considered a regular part of an individual's academic duties, then mentoring and other interactions with scholars are non-reimbursable from grant funds.

**Length of Support:** The maximum period is five years.

**Eligible Applicants:** Public and State controlled institutions of higher education. See the full announcement for a complete list of eligible applicants.

**Summary:** The purpose of the Institutional Research and Academic Career Development Award (IRACDA) Program is to develop a diverse group of highly trained biomedical and behavioral scientists to address the Nations biomedical workforce needs. The strategy is to promote effective partnerships between research-intensive institutions (RII) and institutions that have a historical mission or a demonstrated commitment to educating students from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in the biomedical and behavioral research enterprise of the nation. The IRACDA program provides support for a traditional mentored postdoctoral research experience at an RII combined with an opportunity for these fellows to develop critical academic skills, including teaching, through workshops and through mentored teaching assignments at a partner institution. The primary goals of the IRACDA program are to (1) develop a group of highly trained biomedical and behavioral scientists who have the necessary knowledge and skills to pursue independent research and teaching careers in academia; and (2) strengthen and modernize science educational offerings at partner institutions, and promote links between RII and the partner institution(s).

**Detailed Information:** <http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/pa-files/PAR-13-290.html>