



PhD Application Assistance and Advisory Program – an initiative of the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

The Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences (GSBS) at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (ISMMS) is committed to fostering a diverse student body and research workforce. Our commitment starts with cultivating a diverse and competitive applicant pool for our PhD programs in Biomedical Science and Neuroscience. We recognize that applicants have different support opportunities during the graduate admission process. Therefore, we encourage such PhD applicants to apply to our new **PhD Application Assistance and Advisory Program**.

The Program takes place over two days. It includes a series of information sessions on how to prepare a competitive PhD application, 1:1 individualized advisement sessions, and mock interviews with our PhD training faculty.

To be eligible for the Program, you must be applying for the 2021 PhD admissions cycle and are considering the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai PhD Program in Biomedical Science, or PhD Program in Neuroscience.

We are particularly committed to a diverse student population including students from groups underrepresented in STEM, students with non-traditional academic backgrounds, and students from academic institutions that have not historically considered ISMMS. Should the Program become oversubscribed, we will prioritize applications from individuals who are underrepresented in science, including (but not limited to) those who come from underrepresented backgrounds due to their racial and ethnic identity, disability status, and who self-identify as disadvantaged and or as a first-generation college graduate.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, these activities will occur on line.

Sessions will include:

- Understanding the GSBS PhD Holistic Review in PhD Admissions Process
- Advisement and Q&A sessions on the core components of PhD Applications (personal statements, research descriptions and CVs)
- 1:1 application feedback session with GSBS faculty
- Mock PhD Interviews with GSBS faculty
- Wellness and Resilience as a PhD Student
- Meet our students: A panel discussion with GSBS PhD students

Please complete the application here:

https://mountsinai.formstack.com/forms/phd_application_assistance_and_advisory_program

The application deadline is October 2nd at 5pm. Notification of acceptance will be on October 12th. The PhD Application Assistance and Advisory Program will take place on Monday October 26th and Tuesday October 27th. Further details will be provided to accepted applicants.
