

The Foundation for Anesthesia Education and Research's Medical Student Anesthesia Research Fellowship program provides support to medical students and host departments for eight weeks of anesthesia-related research and is an element of FAER's commitment to attract scientific talent to academic anesthesiology. FAER hopes that an exposure to the specialty early in the career of medical students will encourage future pursuit of research in anesthesiology and perioperative medicine.

**Host Department Responsibilities:**

- Pay the student during the fellowship at the agreed upon stipend of \$400 per week for eight weeks.
- Provide dedicated MD and/or PhD mentor(s) and project for medical student.
- Provide 15% clinical anesthesia exposure (such as OR, Pain, OB, Critical Care).
- Facilitate an opportunity for the medical student to present at a didactic activity.
- Facilitate an anesthesiology contact at the student's medical school to ensure anesthesiology interest can be maintained upon student's return.
- Complete a post-fellowship survey (mentor survey required, others involved in project encouraged to complete a survey).

**Funding:**

- Up to two MSARF students may be hosted by the same institution.
  - ✓ FAER will provide a \$3,200 grant to the participating host department for the first student placed at the site.
  - ✓ FAER will provide a \$1,000 grant to the participating host department to help offset administrative costs associated with hosting a second student, to cover such items as administration, supplies, host department fees, conference registrations. The host department is responsible to absorb the student stipend expense for the second student.
- FAER will provide an additional \$1,000 grant to host departments for each MSARF participant who attends the ASA Annual Meeting. The grant is provided to help offset costs for the MSARF student participation in the MSARF Symposium.
- FAER will pay the first year dues for membership in the ASA Medical Student Component Society for MSARF participants.

**Host Department Selection:**

Departments are selected by FAER Board upon the recommendation of the Student Fellowship Committee. Recommendations are made based upon the departmental application describing level of research activity in department, nature of ongoing research projects available to FAER fellow(s), qualified student mentors, and proposed student role.

**Fellowship Requirements:**

Full-time (40 hours weekly) commitment to fellowship including 15% clinical anesthesia exposure (OR, Pain, OB, Critical Care). Students should also be involved in one didactic presentation during the fellowship. Student and mentor are encouraged to present results of student fellowship project for presentation at FAER MSARF Symposium during the ASA Annual Meeting. Student and mentor will provide evaluation of fellowship experience. Students agree to participate in long-term FAER follow-up surveys of professional activity.

**Medical Student Application:**

Student application will be available from the FAER website, faer.org, beginning December 31, 2009. Students must be enrolled full time at a Liaison Committee on Medical Education accredited school. Additionally, students must remain enrolled in an MD or DO program throughout the fellowship. Therefore, students who are in their last year of medical school are ineligible. Additionally, due to the limited duration of the program, students are discouraged from taking time away between the start and end dates given on their applications.

**Medical Student Selection:**

The FAER Student Fellowship Committee evaluates student interest and qualifications, matching student interest with available hosts. Once the students are selected and accept the appointment, FAER will provide the host department with the student’s contact information. Students will be directed to contact the host department’s site coordinator shortly after accepting the appointment to arrange fellowship details, including finalizing a mentor and project.

**Deadlines and Submission of Application:**

Host department applications available for download .....	November 6, 2009
Host department applications due .....	December 11, 2009
Host departments notice of award .....	December 18, 2009
Student applications available for download .....	December 31, 2009
Student applications due .....	February 1, 2010
Student notice of award mailed.....	February 22, 2010

**Host application documents must be submitted electronically and are due in the FAER office no later than Friday, December 11, at 5:00 p.m. Central time. Incomplete applications or applications received after the deadline will not be considered. The application packet consists of the following materials:**

- Form 1: [Host Department Contact Information Form](#)
- Form 2: [Host Department Questionnaire](#)
- Form 3: [Host Department Project List](#)
- Form 4: [Mentor Biosketch](#) (one for each mentor listed on application)

Please submit the application packet, which should include the four documents noted above, as email attachments to FAER c/o Mary Schrandt, FAER MSARF Program Coordinator, at [schrandt.mary@mayo.edu](mailto:schrandt.mary@mayo.edu).

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