

Application for CALDAR Junior Investigator Award

The Center for Advancing Longitudinal Drug Abuse Research (CALDAR) was established at UCLA in 2005 through funding by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA). CALDAR's overarching theme is the development and application of rigorous scientific approaches for advancing longitudinal research on drug abuse and its interplay with HIV infection, drug treatment, and other service systems. To support the career development of junior investigators, CALDAR has established a Junior Investigator Award. The recipient of this award will receive \$500 for travel and expenses and waiver of conference registration fees to attend the CALDAR Summer Institute in 2010. The recipient will be given the opportunity to give a brief presentation at the Summer Institute.

Application criteria

To apply, applicants must (by the application deadline):

- Be not more than ten years beyond the doctorate (Ph.D.) or residency (M.D., D.V.M., etc.).
- Express research interests and career goals that fit CALDAR's theme.
- Have a first-authored longitudinal research paper in press or published in the prior 3 years.
- Be able to present the paper and participate in other activities at the CALDAR Summer Institute planned for August 9-11, 2010 at UCLA in Los Angeles.

Applicants from the United States and abroad are encouraged to apply.

Selection criteria

The awardee will be selected by the CALDAR Executive Committee. Selection will be based on four criteria: the conceptual and theoretical framework of the paper, the quality of analysis and statistical methods described in the paper, the level of innovation demonstrated by the paper, and the match between the applicant's interests and goals with CALDAR's theme.

Application materials

To apply, please provide:

1. A completed [application form](#) (attached).
2. A copy of your [first-authored longitudinal research paper](#).
3. A copy of your [Curriculum Vitae](#) including date of terminal degree, current contact information, publications, and presentations.

Application materials should be sent to Liz Evans at laevans@ucla.edu OR by mail at Integrated Substance Abuse Programs, Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, 1640 S. Sepulveda Blvd., Suite 200, Los Angeles, CA 90025, USA. For questions, contact Liz Evans at 1-310-267-5315 or laevans@ucla.edu.

Complete applications **must be received on or before May 3, 2010**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Notification of award will be made by June 14, 2010.