

Postdoctoral Research Fellowship in Translational Neuroscience

The Rhode Island Hospital Department of Psychiatry; the Office of VP Research, Lifespan Hospitals; the Brown University Institute for Brain Science; and the Norman Prince Neurosciences Institute are seeking candidates for a Postdoctoral Research Training Fellowship in Translational Neuroscience. This interdisciplinary full-time fellowship provides research training for an M.D., Ph.D., or M.D.-Ph.D. postdoctoral fellow in both basic and clinical neuroscience in an area of interest to the fellow. The fellowship emphasizes integration of training in basic science research with training in clinical research on psychiatric disorders. The goal of the program is to prepare postdoctoral fellows for a successful independent research career in translational neuroscience. The duration of the fellowship is two years, contingent upon satisfactory progress in the first year.

This fellowship is at the vanguard of a collaborative effort among three centers of excellence at Brown that are dedicated to understanding and treating brain disease. The Rhode Island Hospital/Brown University Department of Psychiatry is a nationally recognized department with research focused on mental health, addiction, and the biological basis of behavior and psychopathology. The Brown Institute for Brain Science (BIBS) promotes interdisciplinary research relevant to higher brain function across the University, including the hospitals affiliated with the Alpert Medical School. With over 100 faculty members from 15 different departments, BIBS emphasizes three broad areas of research excellence – fundamental neuroscience, brain health, and neurotechnology. The newly created Norman Prince Neuroscience Institute at Rhode Island Hospital focuses on translational research. It is being built in collaboration with BIBS to create multidisciplinary, inter-institutional teams focused on attacking diseases and disorders related to brain development and brain aging and on applying new technologies to restore lost brain function.

Responsibilities:

The postdoctoral candidate is expected to 1) collaborate with one clinical and one basic science senior mentor on research projects and activities; 2) develop an independent, multidisciplinary research project in the field of neuroscience as it relates to mental illness; and 3) participate in didactic activities, manuscript preparation and submission, presentation of research findings, grant writing, and relevant clinical activities.

Qualifications:

Applicants must have an M.D. with completed residency training in psychiatry or a Ph.D. in psychology, neuroscience, or a basic science area relevant to the fellowship goals. Individuals with an M.D.-Ph.D. are welcome to apply if additional training would add value to their prior training.

To Apply:

To receive more information, please contact Dr. Justin Fallon (Justin_Fallon@Brown.edu) or Dr. Katharine Phillips (Katharine_Phillips@Brown.edu). To apply please send a letter of interest, C.V., and the names and contact information for three professional references to Ms. Roselee Rego (rrego@lifespan.org). A research statement (no longer than 2 pages) may also be included.

Brown University and Rhode Island Hospital are Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employers and encourage applications from women and members of minority groups.

