

Opportunities for Fellows in the Department of Medicine

Certificate Programs, Advanced Degrees and Committees

Certificate Programs

Clinical Scholars Certificate Programs are 1 to 2 year programs designed specifically for residents and fellows to develop additional academic skills. The programs include lectures, workshops, and mentored projects with classroom time off hours so trainees can attend while still on busy clinical services. The following programs have an application process in the spring/summer of each year to help advise applicants on the appropriate fit of the program to the trainee's career plans. These programs are available at no charge to trainees or their fellowship program.

- **Bioethics Certificate Program**
- **Medical Education Certificate Program**
- **Health Equity and Advocacy**
- **Global Health Certificate Program**
- **Academy for Quality Safety and Improvement (AQSI)**

The department, centered around the residency, has a women's health track that includes a **women's professional development** series. Fellows are encouraged to get involved in the professional development series where there are opportunities to mentor residents or find a faculty mentor.

Finally, there is a 1-year **leadership program for chief medical residents and senior fellows** run by the Northwestern Center for Leadership. Participation in this curriculum is based on nominations by division chiefs and fellowship directors.

Department and Institutional Committees

Numerous committees at Northwestern allow trainees to engage in local improvement efforts that at times expand into scholarship opportunities. These committees teach trainees hospital and institutional operations and provide an opportunity to develop leadership skills and mentoring.

- **Diversity and Cultural Affairs Council**, Department of Medicine
- **Housestaff Association**, Graduate Medical Education (includes sub-committees eg Wellness)
- **Quality and Safety Committees**, Northwestern Memorial Hospital (for full list: ...xxx link here)
- **Residency Sub-specialty Interest Group**, Fellow Chair

Additional opportunities exist to participate at the Feinberg School of Medicine on committees ranging from recruitment, diversity and wellness.

Advance Degrees: Masters Programs

Northwestern offers a large array of advanced degrees in nationally recognized schools. These degrees include tuition typically covered by the student/trainee. All programs include a tuition discount for trainees with the exception of the MBA program. Many of these programs offer a certificate when 50% of credits are achieved. These specific degrees are designed for clinicians by offering evening and weekend classes and transferable credits.

- [Master of Science in Clinical Investigation](#)
- [Master of Science in Health Service Outcomes Research](#)
- [Master of Science in Health Care Quality and Patient Safety](#)
- [Global Health](#): Master program and Fogarty Fellowship
- [Northwestern Kellogg School of Business MBA Program](#) for Residents and Fellows