



## **VA MIRECC Advanced Psychology Fellowship in Mental Health Research and Treatment**

**Overview:** The Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center (MIRECC) of the New York/New Jersey Veterans Healthcare Network is accepting applications from psychologists for a 2-year Post-Doctoral Advanced Fellowship Program in Mental Health Research and Treatment. The primary goal of the fellowship program is to train psychologists to become leading clinical recovery-oriented physician-scientists with a focus on serious mental illness in veterans. Our mission is to pursue a discovery-to-recovery approach for serious mental illness by determining causes, identifying predictors, and developing treatments that overcome barriers and enable recovery.

**Program Description:** The fellow's primary appointment will be at the JJPVA Medical Center in the Bronx, NY, and the Fellow will also receive an appointment at the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai, New York, NY. The opportunities for training will reside in the research, clinical, and educational programs at the JJPVA of the MIRECC and the affiliate Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai in New York City, typically within the Department of Psychiatry.

The MIRECC research programs are internationally recognized in a broad range of research areas including cognitive neuroscience, electrophysiology, neuropsychology, cognitive behavioral therapy for psychosis (CBTp), dialectical behavior therapy (DBT), family therapy, psychosocial interventions, cognitive remediation, psychiatric rehabilitation, clinical psychopharmacology, health services, and implementation science. VA Fellowship sites are linked electronically for didactic, academic, and research efforts. The Director and the MIRECC faculty have a strong commitment to translational research that links basic science to clinical research and clinical research to services research. MIRECC Fellowship faculty members and their primary research interests can be found at <http://www.mirecc.va.gov/visn3/ContactInfo.asp>. Fellows' mentorship can also include other faculty from the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai <http://icahn.mssm.edu>.

Our interdisciplinary program aims to train psychologists to become outstanding clinical researchers in high priority areas of mental health. Fellows devote the majority of their time to patient oriented research and education activities and 25% to direct patient clinical care. Individualized, mentored research and clinical training is combined with a state-of-the-art curriculum that emphasizes research methods, statistics, epidemiology, mental health systems, quality improvement methods, education, and service delivery. In collaboration with their mentors, Fellows will develop and implement a research project, publish and present findings, participate in grant writing, and utilize the latest technology for educational activities and clinical service delivery.

**Start Day:** The start day is flexible. The fellowship position will begin between July 1st and October 1st, 2017.

**Stipend and Benefits:** Salary and benefits are competitive. Our fellowship is an equal opportunity training program.

**Eligibility:** Applicants must have obtained a doctorate from an APA accredited program in clinical or counseling psychology and be enrolled in or have completed an APA accredited internship in clinical or counseling psychology. Doctoral requirements, including dissertation, must be completed before fellowship. Fellows must be U.S. citizens.

**Application Due Date:** Applications are due December 1, 2016.

**How to Apply:** Interested candidates who meet eligibility requirements should submit: (1) Cover Letter (including the reasons for your interest in this particular fellowship training program, a brief overview of your previous clinical and research experiences, how you see this program promoting your professional and career goals, possible projects/research initiatives, and fit with mentors at the MIRECC); (2) Curriculum Vitae; (3) 3 Letters of Recommendation; (4) Graduate school transcripts; (5) Writing sample of your choice. The program is using the APPA CAS (APPIC Psychology Postdoctoral Application) online system. For more information about the application process please go to <http://www.appic.org/AAP-APPA/APPA-Postdoc-Application-Information>.

Please feel free to contact the Fellowship Director, Dr. Yulia Landa with any additional questions at [yulia.landa@mssm.edu](mailto:yulia.landa@mssm.edu), or by phone at 212- 659-8732.