Applications Open for MBI Gator NeuroScholars Postdoctoral Fellowship Program

Applications are now open for the Evelyn F. and William L. McKnight Brain Institute's **Gator NeuroScholars Program**, an enhanced postdoctoral fellowship designed to accelerate academic research careers in the neurosciences.

Through the generous support of our foundation sponsors, up to **3 postdoctoral associates** will be selected to receive a highly competitive stipend (up to $70,000 per year, plus benefits) for 2 years with the possibility of a third year of funding. Fellows will also receive $3,000 annually for travel and $10,000 annually in research funds to support the collection of preliminary data for a career development application (e.g., K99/R00 Pathway to Independence Award).

Applicants must independently identify and secure a faculty mentor affiliated with the MBI. A list of potential mentors can be found in the MBI Faculty Membership Directory.

Applications are especially encouraged from candidates whose research aligns with one or more of the following areas: acquired neural injury; cognition, behavior and sensation; or neurological diseases, including research relevant to the neurological health of military veterans. New Gator NeuroScholars will be selected by November 2026, with flexible start dates within six months of the offer. Priority consideration will be given to applications submitted by **Friday, September 4**.

Required application materials (submitted via Qualtrics):

1. One bookmarked PDF that includes:
   a. Current CV with full list of publications and funding (no page limit).
   b. Statement of research interests and career goals (2-page limit).
2. Contact information for 3 references willing to provide letters of support (due by **Friday, September 11**).
3. Signed MBI mentor support statement (template available via Qualtrics and on the program website).

For more details, please visit: bit.ly/GNS-Info.

For questions, contact Program Director Gordon Mitchell (gsmitche@ufl.edu) or Program Administrator Kate Casey-Sawicki (ksawicki@ufl.edu).

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