

Sabbatical Connections Program University of Michigan -
College of Pharmacy

The College of Pharmacy at the University of Michigan is committed to the creation of a diverse workforce in pharmacy and pharmaceutical research. In support of this goal the College has created the **Sabbatical Connections Program**, which offers a sabbatical appointment to faculty to support their research, while fostering a reciprocal relationship with faculty and departments at minority serving institutions. Applicants who hold the rank of Associate or Full Professor are invited to apply for this year's competition. This program is also part of a campus-wide diversity, equity and inclusion initiative. The program will provide financial support for stipend and expenses such as travel, housing, and research supplies.

The goal of this program is to establish long-term professional relationships between members of the College of Pharmacy and minority-serving institutions. It is hoped that these connections will:

- facilitate and foster deeper connections with students and faculty at the home institution
- enhance understanding of and access to our graduate and professional programs for students at the home institution
- create new faculty research collaborations
- enrich the research and academic environments at both institutions

Sabbatical awardees and College of Pharmacy faculty will work towards developing long-term scholarly relationships, while also fostering interest in our graduate and professional programs among students from the awardee's home institution. In addition to their collaborative research efforts, sabbatical awardees will take advantage of opportunities to share their scholarly contributions with members of the College of Pharmacy and the University at large (e.g., through seminars, special lectures, mini-courses, etc.). Awardees will be encouraged to share their expertise and knowledge with our College community, and learn about College constituents via formal and informal interactions with faculty members, students and staff of the College of Pharmacy.

Applications for the Sabbatical Connections Program consist of a current C.V., a cover letter addressing the applicant's mentoring activities with students, including those from underrepresented groups, and a project letter describing how a sabbatical collaborating with one or more of our faculty will advance the applicant's research/scholarly activities and build bridges for future research and educational collaboration. The project letter should include a list of faculty/laboratories of interest in the College of Pharmacy. The research areas available in the College of Pharmacy span bench discoveries to bedside treatments: <https://pharmacy.umich.edu/academic-research-about/research> . The University of Michigan will not sponsor employment visas for this fellowship. Applicants chosen for further consideration will be asked to submit a proposed budget, and the names and contact information of: the applicant's department chair or immediate supervising administrator, a research colleague outside of the home institution who can discuss the value of the applicant's research program, and a current or former student who can address the applicant's mentoring activities.

Applications are to be submitted at https://umich.formstack.com/forms/cop_sabbatical_2018 , and the **deadline for receipt of all materials is January 5, 2018**. All interested individuals – including women, minorities, those with disabilities, and veterans – are encouraged to apply.

Top candidates will be invited to campus where they will have an opportunity to meet with faculty to discuss potential mutually-beneficial projects as well as with members of the selection team. Tours of campus and the surrounding areas will also be provided. The selection process will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled, with the sabbatical beginning at a mutually agreed upon time between the candidate and the faculty host (preferably not later than: Sept. 1, 2018). For additional information please contact Dr. Regina McClinton, Chief Officer for Diversity Equity and Inclusion in the College of Pharmacy, at reginamc@umich.edu .