

Selection Criteria

Scholars will be selected based upon their perceived potential to develop into academically and scientifically successful investigators and women's health. Several factors will be used to evaluate this potential :

- Candidate's qualifications and dedication to women's health
- Availability and dedication of qualified mentors
- Departmental commitment to the individual both in terms of complete protection of 75% of their time to research for the tenure of their scholarship, provision of space, equipment and \$10,000/yr of discretionary funds for the investigator to pursue their research
- Demonstrated commitment of the candidate to women's health, research, and academics
- Scientific and technical merit of proposed research (institution provides \$15,000 matching funds)

- Demonstrated potential for becoming a successful independent investigator in women's health research
- Demonstration that this BIRCWH program is a good fit for the candidate to foster their career as a highly productive investigator in women's health