Disability and Employment Research Fellowship

The goal of Northwestern’s Disability and Employment Research Fellowship is to develop and train a cadre of researchers capable of leading high-quality studies that will enhance employment opportunities for persons with disabilities.

The two-year health services research training program provides MDs and PhDs with:

- Mentoring, protected research time, annual stipend, and benefits
- Tuition for course work, original research, grant writing, and scientific publishing
- Professional development opportunities, including funds for conference travel

This project utilizes the Shirley Ryan AbilityLab (formerly the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago) as its clinical site. The AbilityLab has been named 29 consecutive years as the outstanding rehabilitation hospital in the country. It sponsors the largest education and training center of any rehabilitation facility in the nation.

The fellowship is funded by the National Institute on Disability, Independent Living, and Rehabilitation Research and the applicant’s research must be aligned with NIDILRR’s Long Range Plan.

We welcome inquiries from prospective applicants.

Application Due Date: February 1, 2021