



"The opportunity to provide funding for students interested in the Rehabilitation Sciences and provide highly motivated clinicians to our clinical partners is a mutually advantageous relationship. The Clinical Doctoral Fellowship provides financial assistance to students and strengthens our ability to deliver and study the most current rehabilitation practices. Sharing knowledge, providing clinical experiences and developing better methods of translating the most current research to the patient summarizes the advantages of a Clinical Doctoral Fellowship."

**– Carl Mattacola, Ph.D., ATC, FNATA, Director, Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program**

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## Clinical Doctoral Fellowship in Rehabilitation Sciences



## Clinical Doctoral Program

### Mission

The mission of the Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral Program is to fulfill a leadership role in addressing the rehabilitation needs of individuals in the Commonwealth of Kentucky and beyond through research, education and service.

### Creating Leaders

The program prepares scholars and scientists in rehabilitation science to teach at the university level, direct discipline specific educational programs, work in rehabilitation services field and collaborate with other professionals on issues related to rehabilitation and health

### Program

The University of Kentucky College of Health Sciences offers this program in collaboration with Eastern Kentucky University, Murray State University and Western Kentucky University.

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The Clinical Doctoral Fellowship (CDF) is one way that the University of Kentucky college of Health Sciences partners with the clinical community to provide opportunities for growth and shared expertise.

### *The CDF works like this:*

Our clinical partners agree to donate support for a CDF for a minimum period of three years at a rate of approximately \$30,000 per year to be paid in equal quarterly increments.

In exchange for the funding, a clinical doctoral fellow will be placed in the partner's facility in a clinical capacity for 20 hours per week for three years (may include 18-month clinical fellowship experience).

### Purpose

The purpose of this fellowship is to attract the best students and broaden the opportunities available for future clinical leaders and academic scholars while providing highly motivated, cost efficient clinicians to place into clinical settings.

### Advantages

#### Advantages to Clinical Partner:

- Cost efficient clinical provider
- No employee benefit costs
- Consistent (minimum three-year) clinical support
- Opportunity to work with bright, energetic, clinically, research oriented, individuals

#### Advantages to the College of Health Sciences:

- Ability to attract students to the Rehabilitation Sciences Doctoral program
- Develop closer ties to the clinical community
- Prepare the next generation of clinical and academic leaders in athletic training, communication sciences and disorders, occupational therapy and physical therapy
- Strengthen collaborative relationships between UK and clinical partners

#### Advantages to Student:

- Tuition-free education
- Clinical experience in area of interest
- Completion of Certificate of Clinical Competence (if not already certified)
- Clinical mentor and other clinical resources
- Possible subject population for research