

Funding for Short Courses on Behavioral Science of Alzheimer's Disease

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Psychological scientists with expertise in aging and Alzheimer's disease, and its related dementias (AD/ADRD) are encouraged to apply for funding from the National Institute on Aging (NIA) to lead workshops or short summer courses on the topic.

“This [funding opportunity] will support the development of short-term education programs tailored for behavioral and social scientists that aim to supplement participants' existing expertise and enable them to bring their approaches and methods to bear on the framing and investigation of research questions in the field of AD/ADRD,” reads the funding opportunity announcement.

“Applications for short courses may bring together researchers from different behavioral and social science disciplines, or they may focus on one discipline.”

Individuals proposing educational activities with a broad reach and that can be widely disseminated are highly encouraged to apply. Educational courses are intended to be available to as many investigators as possible.

NIA states that priority areas for the educational opportunities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Dementia care (primary focus on the care recipient)
- Dementia caregiver research (primary focus on the caregiver)
- Cognitive and dementia epidemiology
- Behavioral and social pathways to AD/ADRD
- Role of social, contextual, environmental, and institutional factors in promoting or delaying AD/ADRD
- Early psychological changes preceding onset of AD/ADRD
- Prevention of AD/ADRD
- Disparities in AD/ADRD or related outcomes
- State-of-the-art data, methods, and approaches for studying determinants and impact of AD/ADRD
- Methodological issues especially prominent in AD/ADRD research, including special considerations in recruitment, retention, informed consent, and measurement

These opportunities are being supported via [NIH's R25 mechanism](#), which supports research education activities. NIA intends to award up to three awards of up to \$150,000 annually in direct costs.

Interested applicants should submit a letter of intent by December 21, 2019. Applications are due January 21, 2020 by 5 PM local time.

[For more information on funding for short courses on Alzheimer's disease and related dementias for the behavioral and social sciences, click here.](#)