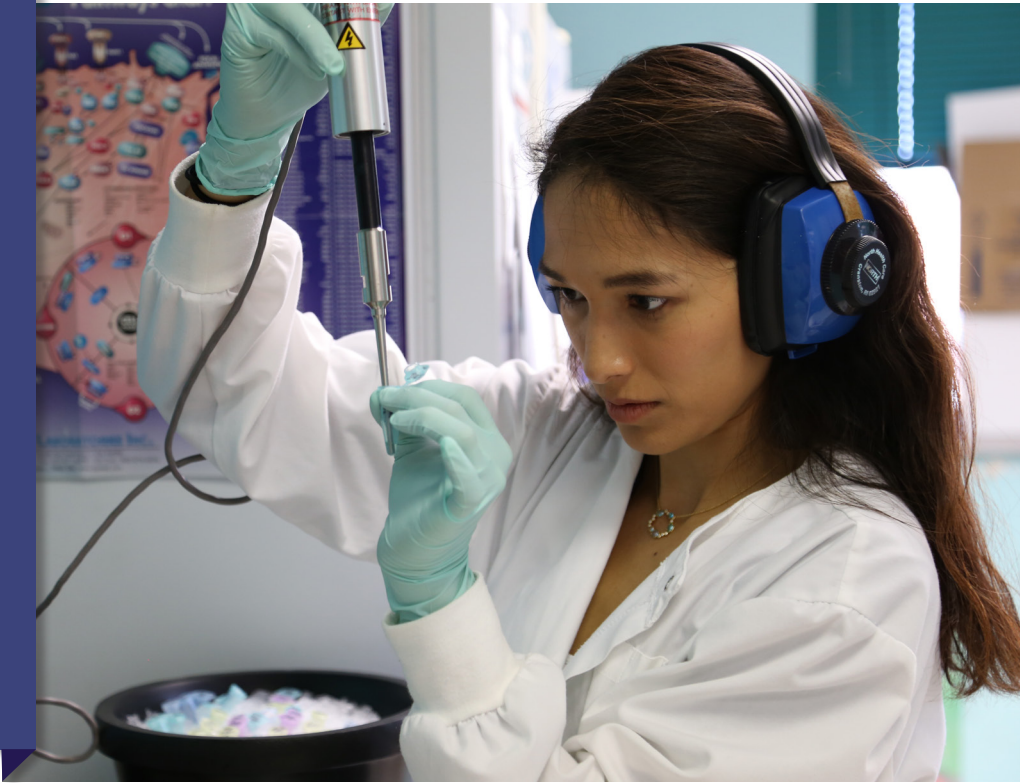


# LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY-NIH

## INITIATIVE FOR MAXIMIZING STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

The LLU-NIH Initiative for Maximizing Student Development program (IMSD), funded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences at NIH, provides integral and continuous support to participating students to enhance their timely completion of the Ph.D. degree and transition into postdoctoral careers.



### OPPORTUNITIES

- Scientific Writing Workshops
- Health Disparities Training
- Individual Development Plan (IDP)
- Mentorship and Leadership Growth
- Oral Presentation Skills Development
- Science Career Building Workshops

### PROGRAM GOAL

To increase diversity in the biomedical/behavioral sciences by increasing the number of students from diverse backgrounds graduating with a PhD degree in the biomedical sciences from LLUH.



### BENEFITS

- Access to highly qualified research mentors
- Full support (tuition and research assistantship)
- High completion rate 90%
- Average time to graduate 5.5 years



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### RESEARCH AREAS

Cancer Biology  
Autoimmune and Infectious Diseases  
Cerebrovascular Disease in newborns  
Signal Transduction  
Osteoporosis  
Radiation Biology

Diabetes  
Nerve Trauma and Regeneration  
Space Biology and Physiology  
Bone Development  
Musculoskeletal Diseases  
Health Disparities

# APPLY TODAY!



## APPLICATION PROCESS

1. Apply to the Integrated Biomedical Graduate Studies Program (IBGS) at Loma Linda University, **no later than May 1st.**
2. Submit IMSD application form online, **priority deadline April 1st.**
3. Include a 500-word essay stating reasons for wanting to participate in the IMSD program and how it would further your career goals.
4. Send two letters of recommendation and transcript.

## ABOUT LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY HEALTH

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Loma Linda University Health (LLUH) is a health-sciences institution offering more than 100 degrees in Medicine, Dentistry, Allied Health, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, Religion and Behavioral Health. Our health care network includes a clinics and teaching hospitals across Southern California where students and faculty strive to improve the health of our local and global underserved communities.

## ABOUT THE CENTER FOR HEALTH DISPARITIES AND MOLECULAR MEDICINE

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The LLUH Center for Health Disparities and Molecular Medicine (CHDMM) supports research training initiatives funded by the National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) and the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), part of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The IMSD program is housed within the CHDMM, providing PhD students with the unique opportunity to learn, study and network.

## MORE INFORMATION

### CHDMM Website

<https://medicine.llu.edu/chdmm>

### IMSD Faculty

<https://medicine.llu.edu/chdmm/about/imsd-faculty>

### IBGS Program

<https://medicine.llu.edu/research/graduate-programs>