



DRP ACADEMY DESCRIPTION:

The Disability Resource Professional (DRP) Academy is a highly focused, hybrid professional development experience for disability resource professionals seeking to gain expertise on disability access in medical education. It is a program under the Docs with Disabilities initiative, partially funded by the Ford Foundation and sponsored, in part, by AHEAD, the David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, and the Coalition for Disability Access in Health Science Education. In its inaugural year, the Academy participants will not pay tuition, and will receive one year of post-Academy mentoring.

The Academy offers professional development in critical health-science disability resource areas such as the law, clinical accommodations, supporting requests for accommodations on the Step 1 examination, and assistive technology. The Academy is led by senior instructors who are seasoned professionals who are actively contributing to a DRP specialization in a health professions education curriculum.

Key Highlights

- Access to 20 medical school DRPs from around the country
- Protected time for Academy work
- Mentorship by Academy instructors

Eligibility

- DRP experience, preferably in medicine or health sciences
- Endorsement from school of medicine leadership
- Commitment to participate in all online meetings and attend onsite Academy

Academy Attendees Will...

- Be selected from DRPs connected with medical or health science education
- Represent
 - Public, private, rural, and urban institutions
 - Allopathic/Osteopathic/Naturopathic schools
- Form a pool that represents diversity in the following areas:
 - Disability, Race, Gender, other identities
 - Geographic backgrounds as well as experiences, beliefs, and world view (social diversity)
 - Economic statuses and other characteristics necessary for promoting growth and learning within a group
 - Educational and professional backgrounds

DRP ACADEMY 2022 TIMELINE:

July 15: DRP Academy application opens

August 15: Academy Applications due

September 1: Announcement of 20 invitees

September 30: Virtual orientation for pre-study

October 14 - December 9: Pre-study period

January 13: Virtual welcome and introduction

February 24 – March 1: In-person Academy (Los Angeles, CA)

April 2023 - April 2024: Monthly mentorship meetings



DRP ACADEMY APPLICATION

Applications for the first student cohort of the DRP Academy will be accepted through **August 15, 2022**.

Please read all application requirements before initiating the application.

ENDORSEMENT:

Applicants must submit an endorsement from medical school leadership (e.g., Dean of Students or other appropriate official). Please send the following link to your endorser and ask them to download, complete, and return by email to docswithdisabilitiesinitiative@gmail.com

- [Form Link](#)

APPLICATION:

Name:		Pronouns:	
Email:			
Institution:			
Role held:			

Accessibility:

Our goal is to ensure the accessibility for virtual and in-person environments. All materials will be accessible in electronic and print formats and virtual meetings will be captioned. The in-person portion of the DRP Academy will be held in accessible facilities and will include American Sign Language Interpreting and real-time captioning as needed.

How many years of experience do you have working in disability service?	
How many years were working on disability access issues in health sciences or medicine?	



Tell us about your career goals as they relate to academic medicine and inclusion.
(500 word max)

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Tell us about your career path to disability resources; what inspired you to enter the profession?
(500-word max)

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How will your participation in the DRP Academy impact change in your institution?
(500-word max)

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**Are you able to devote approximately two hours of work per week
(Oct – Dec) to DRP Academy pre-work?**

- Yes
- No