

**University of Washington  
Cardiology Fellowship  
Application Instructions**



*Mt. Rainier*

The University of Washington Cardiovascular Disease Fellowship Program accepts applications only through ERAS Fellowships® — the Electronic Residency Application Service administered by the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC). To create an application to this program, you must contact the [ERAS Fellowships Document Office \(EFDO\)](#), as well as follow the specific requirements of the University of Washington School of Medicine. Note also the essential abilities requirements for participation in the program.

The application submission deadline is **August 1** for positions beginning July 1 of the following year. Interviews are scheduled between September 10 - October 20 of each year. Traditional track positions are filled through the [National Resident Matching Program \(NRMP\)](#).

On your ERAS Application, it is **required** that you follow these specific directions in order to apply for our program:

**Personal Statement**

The personal statement is limited to **300 words**, and for the UW program, must contain the following information only:

- Type of research you are interested in, for example:
  - Lab-based investigation, vascular
  - Lab-based investigation, cardiac
  - Epidemiology or population-based genetics
  - Outcomes/clinical research
  - Cardiovascular imaging
- Potential mentors at the UW
- Any clinical area of special interest; such as
  - Electrophysiology
  - Interventional
  - Cardiovascular Imaging
  - Transplant/CHF
  - Adult Congenital Heart Disease
- What, beyond basic clinical training, you would like to learn during your fellowship
- Your long-term career goals
- Why you are interested in training in our program in Seattle.

### **Letters of Recommendation**

Three letters of reference are required. **One should be from your Internal Medicine Residency Director.** The other 2 should be from research mentors and cardiology faculty who know you well. Letters should address your clinical skills, research experience, and potential for an academic career in cardiovascular disease.

### **Research Experience**

Be sure to include all your research experience in full on the ERAS application under "Experiences". Include your role in research projects. Describe what skills you learned, and what you accomplished.

### **Medical School Transcripts**

Ask your medical school to provide an official copy of your transcript.

### **Dean's Letter**

Ask your medical school to provide a copy of your Dean's letter.

USMLE Transcript

For a more detailed summary of the program, visit review our online Program Brochure.

### **Photographs**

Photographs are not required, and as stated in the ERAS Fellowship Applicant's Manual, are used for identification only *after* applicants have been selected for interviews.

### **Interview Procedures**

- Invitations to visit our program and to interview with our faculty will be given only to applicants who, in our opinion, have a reasonable chance of matching into our program. Interviews take place in September and October.
- An invitation can be extended only if all materials supporting your application were received by August 1.
- After reviewing these materials, we will let you know in August via email if you are to be invited to visit our program and have an interview.
- Because there is a limit to the number of applicants we can accommodate on any day, you should let us know—as soon as possible after receiving your invitation—the dates on which you are available to come to Seattle.
- Interviews are intended to help us to determine your suitability for the program, learn more about your special interests, accomplishments and future goals, and answer any questions you might have concerning the program. They are also intended for your to explore training opportunities here and decide whether our program suits your needs and goals.



*Lake Union, Seattle, Washington*

### **Questions?**

Questions regarding the Cardiology Fellowship Program should be directed **by email** to the Program Administrator, [Theresa Shugart](#), in the UW Cardiology Fellowship Office.

If you are on a visa while training in the United States, please indicate which type and the date of expiration. Follow the [University of Washington Visa Policy](#) link for additional visa questions.

Prospective Fellows should visit the University of Washington GME website at [UW Graduate Medical Education](#)

### **UW Non-discrimination Policy**

The University of Washington provides equal opportunity in education without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, age, marital status, disability, or status as a disabled veteran or Vietnam era veteran in accordance with University policy and applicable federal and state statutes and regulations. We are committed to expanding the diversity of our fellowship program. To this end, we strongly encourage applications from individuals with disadvantaged backgrounds and/or an interest in serving the underserved.