**Student Mentor Groups 11/16/17**

**Fellowship Applications**

BMS-IDP Resources:

* The BMS website has a list of funded students under Research/Current & Past Predoctoral Fellows
* Talk to these students for help with assembling a fellowship application
* Most will be willing to let you view their funded application, which is extremely helpful
* Also lists links to both NIH and non-NIH funding opportunities for pre-doctoral students

Clinical and Translational Science Institute:

* UF CTSI offers a TL1 protectoral training program for students with translational research
* Must apply during first or second year of Ph.D. program (before qualifying)
* Covers tuition and stipend for up to 2 years
* Requires some additional courses and mentoring
* More information can be found on the uf ctsi website and is also available under the Research tab on the BMS website

NIH Training Grants:

* A list of current College of Medicine training grants are available on the BMS website under the Research tab
* If you are conducting research in one of the fields covered by the training grant find out if there are any openings and apply!
* Talk to your PI and the PI in charge of the training grant for more info

NIH Individual Fellowships:

* Most BMS concentrations format the written portion of the qualifying exam after the NIH F31
* When you write your qualifying exam proposal keep in mind that you can build on this and submit an F31 application
* This application takes a lot of time to prepare so be sure to have your draft complete with plenty of time before the deadline
* Deadlines are April 8th, August 8th, and December 8th
* You will be fully funded for 2 years with the option of an additional year
* The grant will also cover your student fees!
* More info here <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/how-to-apply-application-guide.html>

Perks:

* If you are planning on perusing a career in academia, you need to get practice acquiring funding now
* Individual funding looks great on your CV and will help you get a good post doc or post grad job
* The IDP gives you a $1,000 per semester bonus for receiving your own, independent funding
* The process of writing and editing your own research proposal helps you understand your project more completely