Developing the Next Generation of Pediatric Academicians, Scientists and Leaders

UF Health Shands Children’s Hospital, one of the top programs in the U.S., is home to innovative research and clinical programs.

The UF Pediatric Scholar Development feature is a fundamental program of UF’s Department of Pediatrics, which provides the necessary training to future academicians in their journey from residency to fellowship to faculty. The program provides specialized training for physicians during residency and fellowship training in basic science, translational or clinical research.

We seek to match scholars with superb mentors who are leaders in their field. Support includes salary, fringe benefits, travel funds for academic meetings and research expenses.

Message from the Chair

Our goal is to develop the next generation of pediatric scholars who will distinguish themselves nationally and internationally. We will ensure that you receive outstanding clinical training while allowing you to achieve your academic goals.

We provide specialized research training for residents, fellows and faculty. Basic, clinical and translational research training and career development is supported by our unique and superb program.

If you are interested in developing the special skills needed for a career in academic pediatrics with an emphasis on research, this program is for you.

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Specialized research and career development training for residents, fellows and faculty

**Residency**

**DIDACTICS:** The University of Florida Pediatric Scholar Development Program provides training in understanding research, applying critical abilities to conduct research, and raising questions and proposing solutions to advance discoveries. We also provide development skills, training and career guidance.

**RESEARCH ELECTIVES:** Residents may participate in dedicated research. You will be matched with a renowned scientist in your area of interest.

**INTEGRATED RESEARCH PATHWAY:** This pathway allows 11 months of dedicated research training that counts toward the 36 months of required pediatric training. The program provides residents with 11 months of full-time experience in basic, translational or clinical research training in top University of Florida laboratories.

**Fellowship**

UF is one of the nation’s premier institutions for pediatric subspecialty training. Fellowships at UF provide superb clinical training and the opportunity to develop into a scholar with expertise in clinical, basic or translational research. Fellows can take advantage of the rich opportunities provided by the Department of Pediatrics and UF’s College of Medicine training programs in investigative medicine and clinical research and oversight of career development.

**Fellowships are available in:**
- Cardiology
- Critical Care
- Endocrinology
- Gastroenterology/Hepatology
- Hematology/Oncology
- Neonatology
- Nephrology
- Pulmonology

**Faculty**

Graduates of UF fellowship programs and other institutions are eligible to apply. This program has a strong didactic, career development and research core. Junior faculty members are eligible to apply. Candidates spend a minimum of 75 percent of their time in research. Basic, clinical and translational research is supported.