

Wake Forest Pepper Center Early Career Faculty Scholar Positions Request for Applications (RFA)

The Research Education Core (REC) of the Wake Forest Claude D. Pepper Older Americans Independence Center seeks applications from early career faculty to support their development into independent scientists with an interest in aging, diseases that affect function in older adults, and interventions that integrate pathways affecting physical function for new approaches to disability prevention. Faculty members with an interest in basic, clinical, translational, or population research are invited to apply.

Support:

- Protected research time (2-3 years of support is typical)
- A formal mentoring team
- Priority access to Pepper Center Research Support Cores and resources
- Travel funds

Qualifications:

- Faculty appointment at the Instructor or Assistant Professor level at the time of application
- A proposed research project relevant to pathways to physical disability, muscle function, body composition, neurologic substrates of physical function, translation of insights from biology of aging, or novel applications of functional assessments to improve patient care
- Commitment to a research career with an aging focus
- Sufficient protected time (usually over 50%) dedicated to research and career development activities
- Letter of support from Department Chair / Section Head

Selection Process:

- Peer review committee rates applicants
- Appointment by the Pepper Center Executive Committee
- Endorsement by the Pepper Center's REC Advisory Committee

If interested, please e-mail [Laura Hayworth](mailto:lhaywort@wakehealth.edu) (lhaywort@wakehealth.edu) to receive application instructions. In the e-mail be sure to indicate your Department/Section, current academic rank and your area of interest.

Interested candidates are encouraged to contact Denise Houston, PhD (dhouston@wakehealth.edu) or Stephen Kritchevsky, PhD (skritche@wakehealth.edu) to discuss their application prior to applying.

Application Deadline: **April 2nd, 2021**

Anticipated Start Date: **July 1st, 2021**

Information sessions will be held on Wednesday, February 24th @ 5 pm and Friday, February 26th at noon via Zoom. [RSVP](#) to Laura Hayworth by Monday, February 22nd to confirm your attendance at one of the information sessions and to receive a calendar invite.