

Application Materials and Process Allen/Carey Education Fund

The Allen/Carey Education Fund honours Dr. Hugh Allen and Dr. Lewis Carey, two academic physicians dedicated to Women's Health who spent the majority of their careers with London Health Sciences Centre. The Education Fund recognizes the tremendous impact these physicians had on specialty training and education over their careers.

The purpose of the Education Fund is to support specialized training in Women's Health for professionals who seek novel training opportunities. Candidates may seek further specialized training in any of the following disciplines that pertain to Women's Health: physicians, nurses, midwives, nutritionists, basic science researchers, pharmacists, social workers, and other professionals in women's health. Priority will be given to applicants who will acquire new knowledge or skills that will advance care for patients and improve education for trainees in their own or sponsoring program.

As an endowed fund, successful applicants will be provided with salary support for their training for up to one year of study. Preference will be given to those applicants who have a sponsor providing 25% of the funds. The sponsor may be a University department, hospital or health care organization, national health oriented organization or professional body. Funds provided through sponsorship demonstrate an indication of the need and importance of the training experience sought. Applicants should be aware that training sponsors may place certain stipulations on their portion of the training award. Candidates will be considered for either research or clinically based training experiences as noted above.

The fund is intended to recognize and promote the value of continuous professional development in an over-burdened health care system. Professional training remains the most important aspect of excellence in the provision of good patient care. Candidates must provide evidence that the training will benefit the community served by the London Health Sciences Centre or the Canadian health care system if the training sought may be of national importance.

Application Process

Applicants should submit their application materials to the Womens' Health Program, London Health Sciences Centre, at the following address:

Women and Children's Program
c/o Ellen Rosen VP

London Health Sciences Centre, Victoria Hospital
800 Commissioners Rd. E., Room E5-003, P.O. Box 5010

London, Ontario N6A 5W9 Phone: 519-685-8111, Fax: 519-685-8334

Applications are due by March 1st of each year. Applications that do not include the following materials and the necessary reference letters by the application deadline will not be considered for funding. Questions regarding the application process may be directed to the above address/office.

Application Materials Checklist

1. The application must include a covering letter from the applicant. This letter should outline the applicant's interest in applying for the fellowship and the nature of the proposed training experience. The applicant's contact information including current address, phone, and e-mail address should be included.
2. The application should include a one to three page description of the proposed area of study, the reasons the applicant is interested in obtaining this training, the objectives to be achieved, and the benefits of this education program to the specialty and his/her community. It is important to outline the benefits of this training to the London Health Sciences Centre community or to the Canadian health care system.
3. The application should include a letter of support from the Chair or Division Head where the study is to be undertaken. If there is a particular individual acting as the supervisor of the training then the name of this individual and a brief description or biosketch attesting to the supervisor's qualifications to provide this training should be included.
4. The application should include a letter of support from the Department Chair of the sponsoring institution supporting the training. This letter must verify that the sponsoring department will provide 25% of the funding for the desired training. If sponsorship funds are not available, a letter endorsing the training should be obtained from a recognized leader in the desired field of training. The letter should address how the proposed training will benefit Women's Health care and /or the Canadian health care community.
5. Please include a one or two-page biographical profile including a list of publications, abstracts, or teaching commitments over the last 3 years.
6. After the completion of the training, the applicant will provide a written summary of the training experience to the Allen Carey Education Award Committee c/o the Women's Health Program. This summary should review how the training objectives as outlined in the description of the proposed training were fulfilled by the training experience.
7. The applicant will provide all information that relates to other funding sources or grants requested for the requested training or period of study.