Grants & Awards

IDEA, LIFe, and Global Oncology YIA: Application Orientation Webinar

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Agenda

• Welcome
• FAQs, Resources
• IDEA, LIFe, GO YIA
  • Program Description
  • Eligibility
  • Application Components
  • What makes a strong application?
• Application Portal and Technical Support
• Questions and Discussion
Visit our Application Resources page

• Grant Writing Resources
• Samples of funded and unfunded applications
• Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)
• Sign Up for Virtual Office Hours
  • Meet with Conquer Cancer Staff for 15–minute consultations for questions about application eligibility and requirements as well as navigating the online application portal.
  • Meet with an oncology professional who has experience with grant writing to ask questions and seek feedback as you develop your application.
IDEA, LIFe, and Global Oncology YIA

• Program Description
• Eligibility
• Application Components
• What makes a strong application?
International Development and Education Award (IDEA)

• 30 Early-career Oncologists from LMICs
• ASCO Annual Meeting attendance (5 days)
  • Sessions and networking opportunities
• Mentor connection
• Mentor Institutional visit (3 days)
• 3 Years Complimentary ASCO Membership (including JCO) and Virtual ASCO Annual Meeting Access

asco.org/IDEA  Deadline: October 31, 2022
IDEA: Eligibility

- Current resident of an LMIC
- Oncologist (any specialty) or Oncology Trainee/Fellow
- Member of ASCO (Full Member, Discounted Dues, or Training)
  - Or submit a membership application
- Early-career: Within 10 years of graduating from oncology fellowship
- English fluency
- Not spent more than one year training in a HIC
IDEA: Application Components

• Contact and Professional Information
• Biosketch
• Personal Statement
  • Background, Specific Objectives, Future Plans
• Letter of Recommendation
  • If in training, must be Training Director
  • Does not need to be an ASCO Member or past IDEA Recipient
• Institution Approval
IDEA: What Makes a Strong Application?

• Clear explanation of need, lack of access to resources and mentorship
• Clear explanation of plans following IDEA program, dissemination

• ASCO provides Mentor Match
Long-term International Fellowship (LIFe)

• Provides funding to early-career oncologists in LMICs to advance their training with a mentor in the U.S., Canada, or Europe
• Funding: $115,000 for one year
• Applicant must commit to returning to home country

asco.org/LIFe  Deadline: January 31, 2023
LIFE: Eligibility

Applicants must

• be a citizen of a country categorized by the World Bank as LMIC
• have less than 10 years of experience in the field of oncology
• be an ASCO Member or apply for membership
• have pre-existing relationship with a mentor prior to applying for this grant.
LIFE: Key Application Components

• Applicant & Project Information

• Applicant Biosketch (upload)

• Personal Statement

• Mentor Recommendation
  • Mentor Biosketch, Letter of Support, Fellowship Description

• Letter of Recommendation from Home Institution (upload)

• Institution Approval (must come from the host institution)

Visit asco.org/LIFE for details on full application components.
LIFe: What makes a strong application?

- Strong mentor – mentee relationship
- Robust and feasible fellowship plan
- Well-written and achievable research project
- Proposal addresses need in home country
Global Oncology Young Investigator Award (GO YIA)

- Provides research funding to early-career investigators to encourage and promote quality research in global oncology and to develop the next generation researchers to address global health needs.
- Scope:
  - Research in low resource settings but could influence practice in a wide range of practice settings.
  - Research in high resource settings on issues in resource-limited settings.
  - Collaborative research (high and low resource settings) on questions of shared concern, such as studying a cancer type that affects a small population in the U.S. but is common in another country.
- Funding: $50,000 for one year
- Open to U.S. and International applicants

asco.org/global-oncology-yia  LOI Deadline: September 22, 2022
GO YIA: Eligibility

• A doctoral degree (MD, PhD, MD/PhD, DO, or international equivalent)
• In the last year of training or during the first two years of a faculty/staff appointment or employment.
• Within 10 years of terminal degree;
• Oncology-specific training is not required
• be an ASCO Member or apply for membership
• have 60% protected time for research
GO YIA: Mentorship Requirement

• Applicant must apply with a Mentor (ASCO member), Mentors, or a Mentoring Team

• Mentor, a co-mentor, or at least one member of the mentoring team must be from the applicant’s institution

• Mentor/s
  o Should have research expertise and experience relevant to the proposed project
  o Guide and support the development of the grant application
  o Must be committed to continue their involvement throughout the total period of the proposed research

*In the LOI, applicants may submit to Conquer Cancer a request for a co-mentor/s if the proposed project needs expertise not available in the applicant’s institution.*
GO YIA: Application Procedures

Starting with the 2023 cycle:

• Phase 1: Letter of Intent (due on Sep. 22, 2022)
• Phase 2: Full Application (due on Jan. 6, 2023)
  - submission of full application is by invitation only.

Visit asco.org/global-oncology-yia for details on LOI and Full Application components.
GO YIA: What makes a strong application?

• Well-written and feasible research project

• Research proposal addresses a need in global oncology

• Strong mentorship
  • The mentor(s) should be engaged in the writing and review of the proposal before submission!

• Solid biostatistical plan
FAQ: Connecting with a Mentor

• Please feel free to reach out to us to assist you in finding a mentor for LIFe or GO YIA.

• ASCO has many wonderful and dedicated members and volunteers who are interested in mentorship.
  • grants@conquer.org
  • idea@asco.org
Application Portal: How to access?

• **URL:** awards.asco.org
Application Portal: How to access?

Use your asco.org credentials to sign in.

If you do not have an ASCO account, click Create an Account.
Application Portal: How to Initiate an Application

1. Click View Programs.

2. Click “More”.

Figure 1

Figure 2
Application Portal: How to Initiate an Application

International Development and Education Award (IDEA)

The International Development and Education Award (IDEA) provides support for early-career oncologists in low- and middle-income countries (LMCs). Similarly, the International Development and Education Award in Palliative Care (IDEA-PC) provides support for early-career oncologists and palliative care specialists in low- and middle-income countries (LMCs). The goal of the IDEA and IDEA-PC programs is to facilitate the sharing of knowledge between oncologists and palliative care specialists in LMCs and senior ASCO members.

The program enables recipients to:
- Receive mentoring from a leading ASCO member
- Attend the ASCO Annual Meeting
- Participate in a post-Annual Meeting visit to mentors’ institution
- Develop long-term relationships to improve cancer care and palliative care in home countries

3. Click Apply.
4. Click and complete the Eligibility Form.
5. Begin completing the application.

Click Mark as Complete.
7. Click Review then Submit.
2023 International Women Who Conquer Cancer Mentorship Award

Do you know an exceptional woman mentor who deserves recognition? Please submit a nomination for the 2023 International WWCC Mentorship Award.

The awardee will be honored during the 2023 ASCO Annual Meeting, and receive a plaque, honorarium, and travel support.

Nomination Deadline: December 9, 2022
Nomination Portal: wwcc.secure-platform.com/a
2023 International Women Who Conquer Cancer Mentorship Award

The nominator must answer the following questions:

1. Why should the nominee be awarded? Describe in detail the exceptional mentoring abilities of the nominee and what distinguishes the nominee from other outstanding mentors.

2. Explain what this nominee has done to guide, support and promote training and development of their mentees.

Uploads

- **Required.** Nominee's Curriculum Vitae or Bio (5-page maximum)
- **Required.** A minimum of two (2) letters of recommendation/testimonials from mentees of the nominee over the past 5 years.
- **Optional.** Additional Letters of Support – the nomination can include up to three additional letters of support from colleagues of the nominee or individuals who can attest to the nominee's qualifications and accomplishments (e.g., teaching colleagues, department chair, former students).
- **Optional.** Other supporting documentation – the nomination can include articles, stories, videos that show the nominee's commitment and contributions to mentoring.
Thank you!

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