

Herbert Irving Comprehensive Cancer Center (HICCC) Pilot Awards Schedule 2024-2025

Individuals cannot hold more than one current HICCC pilot award and cannot hold more than two HICCC pilot awards in any five-year period. Within an individual program, past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible for the same award (except Multi-Investigator Planning Program grant).

Pilot	Eligibility	Launch Date	Amount and number of awards
HICCC Accelerating Cancer Therapeutics <u>Focus:</u> Therapeutic development to address a clear unmet medical need in cancer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Columbia University faculty can apply • HICCC senior leadership is eligible • Basic + clinical research teams strongly encouraged • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	September 2024	\$80,000 for 1 year Up to 3-5 awards
HICCC-Clinical Trialist Early Career Development Scholars Award <u>Focus:</u> early-stage clinical faculty members /trainees seeking a career track as a Clinical Investigator and/or Principal Investigator for clinical trials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clinical post-doctoral fellows/research scientists and early faculty who will seek a career track as a Clinical Investigator and Principal Investigator for clinical trials • Awardee's department support of \$25,000 per year for the two-year award period is mandatory. • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients are not eligible 	October 2024	\$100,000/year for 2 years (includes matching funds from the awardee department of \$25,000) Up to 2 awards
HICCC-School of Engineering and Applied Sciences (SEAS) Joint Pilot Grants Competition <u>Focus:</u> Joint seed grants in the area of cancer and engineering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration between faculty from both SEAS and HICCC • New and established collaborations eligible • Mid-career and senior researchers are eligible • HICCC senior leadership is eligible • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	November 2024	\$80,000 for 1 year Up to 1-2 awards

<p>Multi Investigator Planning Grant <u>Focus:</u> Multi-component biomedical research grants and large multi-PI research projects</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Columbia University faculty can apply • HICCC senior leadership is eligible • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are eligible if the project is new and the proposal distinct 	November 2024	\$80,000 for 1 year Up to 2 awards
<p>HICCC Early Career Development Pilot Award <u>Focus:</u> Cancer research (basic, translational, clinical, or population science)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior postdoctoral fellows (5 yrs. of postdoctoral experience), instructors, associate research scientists who are transitioning to a faculty position, and who will apply for career development grants from the NIH (e.g. K01, K08, K23, K99-R00), other governmental agencies, and/or from foundations and professional societies; • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients are not eligible 	January 2025	\$100,000 for 1 year (includes matching funds from awardee department of \$25,000) Up to 2 awards
<p>HICCC Inter/Intra-Programmatic Pilot Program <u>Focus:</u> Full spectrum of cancer research</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available to HICCC members • PIs should be from at least two different HICCC Research Programs (inter-programmatic) • PIs may be from within one HICCC Research Program (intra-programmatic) if the project is highly interdisciplinary • HICCC senior leadership is not eligible • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	January 2025	\$80,000 for 1 year Up to 2 awards
<p>HICCC VELOCITY Cancer Research Awards <u>Focus:</u> Collaborative research that addresses cancer incidence, mortality, disparities in the Catchment area</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Columbia University faculty engaged in new or established cancer or cancer-relevant research are eligible • At least one PI must be a member of the HICCC • Preference is given to early career investigators (assistant prof within first 5 years of the first appointment) • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged <p>Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible. If a member has another HICCC pilot grant within the last 3 years, that member is not eligible.</p>	February 2025	\$100,000 for 1 year Up to 4 awards

<p>HICCC Edward P. Evans Center for Myelodysplastic Syndromes Pilot Award <u>Focus:</u> to advance understanding in the early stages of MDS pathogenesis, MDS transformation to acute myeloid leukemia, and/or develop and implement innovative approaches in disease management or prevention</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Columbia University faculty engaged in research directly focused on MDS or from related areas that can leverage expertise, knowledge, and approaches to advance understanding of MDS • Applicants must be members of the Edward P. Evans Center for MDS • Interdisciplinary projects supporting novel ideas are encouraged • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	<p>March 2025</p>	<p>\$100,000 for 1 year Up to 2 awards</p>
<p>HICCC Edward P. Evans Center for Myelodysplastic Syndromes Fellowship <u>Focus:</u> to accelerate research progress while growing the community of MDS researchers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PhD, MD or MD/PhD fellows supervised by faculty who are either members of the Edward P. Evans Center for MDS or faculty who wish to redirect their research to MDS as Center members • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last three years are not eligible 	<p>March 2025</p>	<p>stipend support up to \$60,000 for 1 year Up to 2 awards</p>
<p>HICCC and ICAP Global Cancer Research Pilot Program <u>Focus:</u> gaps in global cancer education, treatment, and prevention</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Columbia University faculty or research scientists are eligible to apply for the pilot awards • Cancer-related Interdisciplinary research is encouraged. • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	<p>September 2025</p>	<p>\$30,000 for 1 year Up to 2 awards</p>
<p>Irving Cancer Drug Discovery Program (ICDDP) <u>Focus:</u> A key capacity-building opportunity to stimulate the development, testing, and implementation of innovative scientific discoveries for the diagnosis and treatment of cancers</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full-time Faculty at Columbia University • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	<p>October 2025</p>	<p>\$100K-\$200k per year for 1-2 years. Up to 1-3 awards</p>

<p>HICCC-Faculty of Arts and Sciences (FAS) Joint Pilot Grants <u>Focus:</u> Interdisciplinary research at the intersection of biological and cancer research that provides new insight into fundamental mechanisms relevant to cancer</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration between faculty from both FAS and HICCC • New and established collaborations eligible • Asst Prof level or higher appointments are eligible to apply • HICCC senior leadership is eligible to apply • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 3 years are not eligible 	<p>April 2025</p>	<p>\$100,000 for 1 year 1 award expected</p>
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Senior leadership is defined as [Directors and Associate Directors](#) and [Program Leaders](#).

Trainee Associate Member Pilots and Awards 2024-2025

Past recipients within the last 2 years are not eligible for the same pilot program.

Pilot	Eligibility	Launch Date	Amount and number of awards
<p>HICCC Trainee Associate Membership Program Predoctoral Pilot Award <u>Focus:</u> support for Trainee Associate Member Research</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available to HICCC Trainee Associate Members who are pre-doctoral graduate students at Columbia • Applicants should be in the early stages of a research project • Funds are to be applied to the use of a HICCC Shared Resource • Past recipients within the last 2 years are not eligible 	<p>September 2025</p>	<p>\$5,000 for 1 year Up to 4 awards</p>
<p>HICCC Trainee Associate Membership Program Postdoctoral Pilot Award <u>Focus:</u> support for Trainee Associate Member Research</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available to HICCC Trainee Associate Members who are post-doctoral graduate students at Columbia • MD or MD Ph.D. clinical fellows/ instructors, Ph.D. postdoctoral fellows, and associate research scientists • Applicants should be in the early stages of a research project • Funds are to be applied to the use of a HICCC Shared Resource • Past recipients within the last 2 years are not eligible 	<p>September 2025</p>	<p>\$10,000 for 1 year Up to 4 awards</p>

<p>HICCC Trainee Associate Membership Travel Award <u>Focus:</u> support for Trainee Associate Members to attend the conference</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available to HICCC Trainee Associate Membership funded for only one Travel Award in a 12-month period • Accepted for presentation (oral or poster) at an upcoming meeting • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 2 years are not eligible 	<p>July, August, January, April, 2025</p>	<p>\$1,000 12 awards annually</p>
<p>HICCC Trainee Associate Membership Paper of the Year Award <u>Focus:</u> support for Trainee Associate Members to attend the conference</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Available to HICCC Trainee Associate Membership funded to attend the conference • Accepted for presentation (oral or poster) at an upcoming meeting • Participation by individuals from underrepresented groups is strongly encouraged • Past recipients within the last 2 years are not eligible 	<p>January 2025</p>	<p>\$5,00 for each awardee Up to 6 awards</p>