RIA’s Postdoctoral Program Offers

- Interdisciplinary postdoctoral training for individuals seeking to pursue a career in alcohol research with an emphasis on
  1. Etiology and course of alcohol use and alcohol use disorders
  2. Treatment for alcohol use disorders
- Guidance of qualified mentors while postdoctoral fellows develop and pursue their independent research interests
- Seminars on alcohol use disorders and current alcohol research
- Grant writing and publishing workshops
- Career planning and development
- Negotiable start dates

To Apply
Interested individuals are encouraged to contact either of the program’s co-training directors:

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Applications including a vita, representative reprints, two to three letters of reference, and a cover letter describing research interests and training goals may be forwarded to:

Alcohol Research Postdoctoral Training Committee  
Attn: Kenneth E. Leonard and R. Lorraine Collins  
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Applicants must be citizens or non-citizen nationals of the U.S. or must have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence. AA/EOE

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National Leader in Addictions Research

A leader in the study of addictions since 1970, RIA is a center of research excellence at the University at Buffalo. RIA occupies a five-story building on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, a consortium of the region’s premier health care, life sciences research and medical education institutions, all located on 120 acres in downtown Buffalo, NY.

The mainstay of RIA’s scientific endeavors is the staff of senior research scientists who develop and conduct research on the etiology, prevention and treatment of addictive behaviors. There are nearly 30 doctoral-level staff representing a variety of disciplines, including sociology, psychology (social, organizational, developmental, physiological, and clinical), epidemiology and neuroscience.

Why Choose Buffalo?

The Buffalo-Niagara region includes world-class architecture, delicious regional and international cuisine, superb theatre, major league sports, the amazing Albright-Knox Art Gallery, the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra, Niagara Falls, and annual summertime festivals that run from May to October. Housing, hotels, galleries, restaurants, entertainment, transportation and the cost of living in Buffalo are all nearly 10 percent below the national average. There are ample opportunities for a variety of summer and winter activities.

RIA and the Postdoctoral Program

For more than 40 years, RIA has conducted ground-breaking research on significant addiction issues. RIA scientists have made and continue to make important and widely recognized contributions to our knowledge regarding addictive behaviors. RIA’s diverse research portfolio includes topics related to the following:

- etiology, prevention and treatment of addictions
- neuroscience of addictions
- role of alcohol and other drugs in violence and sexual violence
- needs of special populations, including minorities, women, LGBT and youth
- family functioning, including partner violence
- social and psychological aspects of addictions
- health and medical aspects of addictions

Current and previous research endeavors can be found at buffalo.edu/ria.

RIA scientists are working on a variety of multi-year, federally funded projects that represent a range of interdisciplinary studies. Methodologies used include surveys, basic research techniques, ecological momentary assessment, clinical outcome studies and sophisticated statistical techniques.

Resources

- Interviewing, conference and social interaction laboratory facilities with state-of-the-art audio-visual recording equipment
- Addiction Treatment Services clinic providing outpatient services
- Experimental bar and family laboratory settings
- Biological and animal behavioral laboratories equipped with state-of-the-art biochemical, electrophysiological, microdialysis and optogenetic equipment to conduct cellular/molecular to behavioral studies
- Capabilities to conduct studies in neuro-imaging, pharmacological modeling and genetics of addictive disorders
- Computer-assisted telephone interview (CATI) capability
- Dedicated computer services department
- Graphics and communications services