The mission of the Rheumatology Research Foundation is to advance research and training to improve the health of people with rheumatic diseases.

The purpose of the Pediatric Visiting Professorship is to support a 2 to 3 day in-person or virtual pediatric rheumatology educational forum directed at clinicians and trainees involved in the care of children, and to provide pediatric rheumatology exposure to medical students, residents, and fellows at institutions where there is no pediatric rheumatology program.

**Award Amount:** A $1,000 honorarium for virtual visits and a $1,500 honorarium for in-person visits. Reimbursement of up to $1,500 in travel expenses including lodging, meals, flight, airport parking, and ground transportation, for in-person visits.

All applications must be submitted through ProposalCentral at this link: [Proposal Central](#).

If you have any questions about your eligibility or submitting your application, please contact Award & Grants staff at 404-365-1373 or [Foundation@rheumatology.org](mailto:Foundation@rheumatology.org).

**Application Deadline**

| Applications accepted year-round |
All award recipients must abide by Foundation Awards and Grants Policies at all times.

Eligibility

- Applicant must meet all eligibility requirements as outlined in the Awards and Grants Policies.
- Applicant must be a member of ACR.
- Applicant must be board certified in pediatric rheumatology.
- Applicant must have six or more years of experience in clinical pediatric rheumatology.
- Applicant must have an academic appointment and track record as a lecturer.

Award Terms and Funding

The visiting professorship will last two to three days and should incorporate a variety of teaching formats, such as lectures, workshops, small group or one-on-one discussions or a combination of the above (see proposed activities below). Visits must occur within one calendar year. No extensions will be granted.

An in-person visiting professor will receive a $1,500 honorarium, and a virtual visiting professor will receive a $1,000 honorarium. In-person visits will be eligible for up to $1,500 reimbursement for travel expenses including lodging, meals, flight, airport parking, and ground transportation.

Based on federal tax guidelines, individuals receiving an award or grant of at least $600 will receive a Form 1099-MISC for the calendar year in which payment was disbursed.

Funding Source

Funding for this award is made possible through an endowment from Amgen, Inc.

Application Instructions

Before starting the online application, you will be required to create a Professional Profile in ProposalCentral, if you have not already. To do so, visit this link to begin creating your account.

All files must be saved as a PDF. Documents that do not have a required template should be formatted with ½ inch margin, 11-point Arial Font, and single-spacing (does not apply to figures and tables). All applications and documents must be written in English and avoid use of jargon. If terms are not universally known, spell out the term the first time it is used and note the appropriate abbreviation in parentheses. The acronym may be used thereafter.

Note: The Foundation does not require an official signature from an authorized institutional research office at the time of application. However, many institutions require an application to be reviewed prior to submission. Please check with your research office for your institution’s requirements.
Applicant Information

You will be asked to confirm your eligibility and provide contact information in this section. In addition to the applicant information requested above, you will be asked to upload the documents listed below:

Applicant Biosketch in NIH Format

Limit to 5 pages; should include any pending support and follow NIH guidelines.

Required Documents

Personal Statement (Limit 1 Page)

Please indicate your sub-specialty- if applicable- or areas of expertise and how your participation as a visiting professor will contribute to the goals of the program and be of benefit to your academic career.

Proposed Activities

Proposed activities may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Grand Rounds
- Resident chats/luncheon
- Presentation of difficult cases
- Pediatric physical exam workshop
- Demonstration of telehealth rheumatologic exam
- Inpatient rounds via telehealth
- Lecture series
- Career development discussion(s) with residents and fellows
- Clinic with pre-selected patients

Documentation of Experience

Please provide documentation to verify at least six (6) years of experience in pediatric rheumatology, such as a letter from your division chief or a statement outlining your experience specific to pediatric rheumatology.