CREST

Boston University has a long-established reputation for training leading bench and clinical research scientists. Our training program's strengths include the diverse training opportunities, a multidisciplinary curriculum, comprehensive mentoring, and seminars and workshops in topics critical to career development but not covered by courses, such as grant or paper writing.

CTSI's Clinical Research Training (CREST) Program is an interactive mentored training program targeted at postdoctoral fellows and scientists, which focuses on the essential tools and competencies that scientists need to conduct clinical or translational science.

Established in 1999, CREST trains fellows from diverse disciplines, including general medicine, pediatrics, family medicine, medical subspecialties, surgery, obstetrics-gynecology, psychiatry, the School of Dental Medicine, and Sargent College of Allied Health Professions.

The Fellowship is a two-year program with a series of seminars combining faculty teaching and student project presentations on topics such as Writing and Submitting a Paper for Publication, Preparing Abstracts and Oral Presentations, Research Team Leadership, and Grant Writing. CREST fellows earn 16 credits towards a Master's degrees in Public Health; Epidemiology; Health Services Research; and Clinical Investigation. They are also offered ethics instruction including an internship at the Institutional Review Board (IRB), and mentoring by senior faculty.

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