Michigan Center on the Demography of Aging (MiCDA)  
Research Fellowship  
Applications Due **July 21, 2017**

The Michigan Center on the Demography of Aging (MiCDA), a joint program of the University of Michigan’s Population Studies Center and the Survey Research Center, announces a Research Fellowship for junior faculty. MiCDA helps spur new research on the demography and economics of aging and encourages the use of major datasets in the field. MiCDA encourages research in several signature themes, including: Health and Well-being in Later Life; Aging, Genetics and Social Science; Aging-Related Survey Measurement and Methods; and Savings, Retirement and Health.

Fellowship Award: Up to $13,500/year direct for two years ($27,000 direct) may be used for salary/fringe support or research expenses. Salary for investigators is limited to the equivalent of $112,000 per year (on a 12 month basis) + fringe. Units must agree to subsidize salaries above this amount. Initial year funding must be spent between September 2017 and June 2018. The fellowship is renewable for a 2nd year with demonstrated progress. An initial progress report will be due April 2018.

Application criteria: Open to Assistant Professor, Research Assistant Professor, Assistant Research Scientist with appointment at UM as of September 2017. **Track a:** demonstrated interest in aging; fellowship will further career in aging; **Track b:** little or no prior experience in aging; fellowship will further transition to study of aging

Review criteria: Fellowship will promote success in obtaining future research support in behavioral and social research on aging. Preference will be given to candidate proposing research that relates to one of MiCDA’s signature themes.

Faculty mentor: Applicant should identify a MiCDA affiliate to serve as a mentor for the fellowship period (https://micda.psc.isr.umich.edu/people/). The mentor agrees to meet with the applicant regularly throughout the fellowship and provide career-related guidance (e.g. proposals to apply for, meetings to attend, suggestions on venues for publication, etc.). Fellows are not expected to collaborate on research with the mentor, but instead to launch an independent line of research or to develop collaborations beyond the mentoring relationship.

Application Requirements

1) Cover letter with name, current title, department, topic for proposed fellowship, and name, title and department of proposed mentor;
2) Describe either a) demonstrated interest in aging (track a) or b) how new interest in aging came about (track b) (Do not exceed 1 page, excluding references);
3) Describe research plans for fellowship & how fellowship will benefit you professionally & how fellowship fits with MiCDA aims (Do not exceed 2 pages, excluding references);
4) NIH Biosketch https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm;
5) 2-year budget and justification; and
6) Letter (e-mail) of agreement from mentor
7) Agreement from Unit to share salary cost if above limit

Applications must be submitted by July 21, 2017 to Violet Elder violet@umich.edu. For questions about the application process or assistance identifying a mentor, please contact John Bound jbound@umich.edu or Vicki Freedman vfreedma@umich.edu. Applicants will be notified by August 7, 2017.