



Tri-Institutional MD-PhD Program

News and Announcements

Winter 2021

Congratulations Tri-I MD-PhD Graduating Class of 2020!

In May, we celebrated the MD-PhD Class of 2020 with a virtual graduation ceremony joined by family and friends from across the world. [Click here to see where the 15 graduates of 2020 went after graduation.](#)



Olaf makes his traditional toast in honor of the 2020 grads.

Gateways Went Virtual in 2020

Unable to bring students to campus for the summer, but unwilling to cancel the program, we ran the first ever Remote Gateways. Fifteen students joined us for a summer of professional and academic development workshops. [Read more about the summer here...](#)

Welcome Incoming Class of 2020!

This July we welcomed (via Zoom) 19 students into the program. Hailing from 17 different universities and representing all time zones of the lower 48 states, our newest cohort hit the ground running this fall, quickly adjusting to the challenges of 2020 while setting up a new anti-racism Journal Club. [Read more about their aims and their first semester...](#)



Gazing into her future...

MD-PhD Students Created a New Seminar Series in 2020

A group of Tri-I MD-PhD students created a new seminar series, *Physician-Scientist Careers*, to expose MD-PhD students, to the diverse career paths open to physician scientists.---- [More about the seminar here...](#)

Renee Horton celebrates 30 years at Weill Cornell Medicine!

If you are reading this newsletter, you know how crucial Renee is to the operations, organization, and general *esprit de corps* of the Tri-I. We have been very fortunate to have had her with us for the past 30 years, and cannot say thank you enough, but we'll try. Thank you, Renee!



Gateways 2020 students with MD-PhD mentors in their PBL.

The 2021 Admissions Cycle Enters Its Final Stage

After three pairs of interview days, 78 applicants, and countless Zoom sessions, the 2021 admissions cycle is nearing its completion. Admissions decisions went out in December, and we will be looking forward to Revisit Day on April 8.

On the Tri-I Horizon...

Look for more news from us in the spring of 2021 regarding our celebration in honor of Olaf's contributions to the Tri-I and to physician-scientist training in general over the last 25 years. We hope to be able to gather together in the near future, but until then we will find other ways to celebrate.

In the meantime, you can [contribute to the Olaf S. Andersen, M.D. Fund for Physician-Scientist Training](#). This fund has supported travel expenses for low-income applicants visiting the campus for interviews, a guest lecture by Dr. Abdul El-Sayed, and established an award for current MD-PhD students.

In 2022, we will celebrate 50 years of the Tri-I MD-PhD Program (1972-2022)! There will be a party, and you will be invited!

Keep up with the research of our students by visiting the [Student Publications](#) section of our website.

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