# 2026 Harrington-MSTP Scholar Award Application Guidelines

<mark>Deadline for Full Applications: January 26, 2026 at 11:59 PM EDT</mark>

Below is the list of sections you will be asked to fill out in your online application. To access and submit your online application, please log in to SmartSimple.com to complete your registration and submission.

- **Intended Graduation Date**

- **Project Title**

- **Abstract (250 Words Maximum)**
  - Provide a non-confidential summary of the project including unmet medical needs, disease mechanism, target pathway, proposed research and validation.

- **Stage of Development**

- **Therapeutic Area**

- **Therapeutic Modality**

- **Project Description (Three-Page Maximum; Uploaded as a PDF)**
  - Provide the initial hypothesis, background science and rationale, work completed to date and current stage. Explain how discovery and fundamental science will be translated, as well as eventual clinical use. Include project goals and objectives.

- **Key Data (One-Page Maximum; Uploaded as a PDF)**
  - Upload no more than one page of key data – either preliminary, or data in the literature – to support the work of your proposal.

- **References (One-Page Maximum; Uploaded as a PDF)**
  - Upload no more than one page of literature reference that support your proposal.

- **What did you, or will you, uniquely contribute to this project beyond the direction of your PI (i.e. new ideas, new methods of use, etc.)?**

- **Biographical Sketch**
  - Upload a Biographical Sketch in NIH format for the Principal Investigator.

- **Co-Investigators**
  - Upload a Biographical Sketch in NIH format for each co-investigator involved with the project.

- **Innovation (250 Words Maximum)**
  - Position the project within current medical practice and/or scientific literature to highlight what is novel and innovative.

- **Impact (250 Words Maximum)**
  - Describe the potential clinical impact, medical impact and/or commercial opportunity of the research project. If applicable or known, state the specific embodiment or 'product'.

- **Intellectual Property Summary (250 Words Maximum)**
  - Identify what, if any, IP protection surrounds your proposed project work. Please include relevant issued patents or published patent applications.

- **Additional Documents**
  - Upload any additional letters or documents that may be beneficial.