

SEEKING FACULTY SCHOLARS

ACCESS EXPERT MENTORSHIP, TRAINING AND PILOT FUNDING IN TOBACCO REGULATORY SCIENCE IN APPALACHIA

APPALTRUST TOBACCO REGULATORY SCIENCE SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The University of Kentucky Appalachian Tobacco Regulatory Science Team (AppalTRuST) is currently seeking applications from faculty interested in participating as tobacco regulatory science (TRS) scholars for a two-year mentored program. Our team will examine tobacco use patterns and the potential impacts of FDA regulations on reducing geographic disparities in tobacco use in Appalachian Kentucky. Applications are accepted through **March 1, 2024**, with a start date of May 2024.

Scholars will participate in career enhancement activities offered through our Career Enhancement Core. Faculty scholars are expected to devote a minimum of 25% effort, with salary support provided by AppalTRuST to a minimum of two awardees, for a 2-year period.

Opportunities include:

- **Immersive research experiences** in research methods in behavioral economics, retail audits, and community-engaged longitudinal data collection.
- **Intentional 'real-world' training experiences** such as seminars, retreats, collaborative networking events, and rural community engagement.
- **Pilot project and travel funds.** Scholars will have the opportunity to apply for pilot funding to develop supplementary studies that align with AppalTRuST and FDA Center for Tobacco Products priorities. Travel funds will be available to support professional development.



APPLICATION PROCESS

Compile the following information into one PDF file and submit via the web-based form linked below:

- ✓ Letter of intent indicating faculty scholar pathway. Share your interest in TRS with rural populations, and describe how the TRS program aligns with your career goals and research trajectory. No more than two pages double-spaced.
- 🗹 Current Curriculum Vitae.
- ☑ Letter of support from candidate's Chair.

For questions about the UK AppalTRuST Scholar Program, contact Dr. Melinda Ickes at: **melinda.ickes@uky.edu**

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