**Clinical and Translational Science PhD Program**

**Application Checklist**

1. Preparation of narrative responses to the following questions (these will be uploaded **in lieu of a personal statement in the** [**UK Graduate School application portal**](https://gradschool.uky.edu/apply)). Please write out each question completely, followed by your answer. Please answer each question **in your own words**:

o Please compare and contrast Clinical and Translational Science with Basic Science.

o How do your research interests align with Clinical and Translational Science?

o Why are you pursuing graduate study in Clinical and Translational Science?

o What are your professional goals and how will education in Clinical and Translational Science help you to reach these goals?

o Please provide a semester-by-semester timeline for completing the requirements for the CTS program to which you are applying. [See the [program guide](https://medicine.uky.edu/departments/behavioralscience/graduate-education) for requirements]

o In 250-500 words, provide a research question in which you are interested and then describe the Clinical and Translational Science methods you would use to answer that research question.

o Identification of (1) a primary research mentor and (2) a mentor with a primary appointment in the Department of Behavioral Science (see [here](https://medicine.uky.edu/departments/behavioralscience/users?field_display_name_value=&field_employee_type_target_id=90) for a list of faculty)

o Identification of a proposed graduate committee chair

2. Uploading of current CV

3. Uploading of transcripts (undergraduate and current or most recent institution are required)

4. Receipt of **two letters of recommendation on letterhead** accompanied by a standardized rating form via the [UK Graduate School application portal](https://gradschool.uky.edu/apply):

o If you are in a residency or fellowship program, a letter from the residency/fellowship director is required

o If you are a faculty member, a letter from your division or department chair is required

o Letters from supervisors (residency/fellowship director or department chair) should **address the support and/or protected time** that will be provided for support the applicant’s training

o In addition, a letter from your primary research mentor (i.e. proposed dissertation committee chair) is required