

Surgical Education Numbered Trials Fellowship

The Indiana University Surgical Outcomes and Quality Improvement Center (IU SOQIC) is announcing a dedicated fellowship program, seeking diverse candidates, to support the research conducted in the **Surgical Education Numbered Trials** group (e.g., **FIRST**, **SECOND**, THIRD Trials). This research fellowship offers a unique, funded, two-year, on-site program specializing in surgical education and policy research. IU SOQIC is seeking candidates for the July 2023 academic year and highly encourages surgical residents and post-doctoral trainees from underrepresented and minoritized communities to apply.

Research fellows will spend time with the **Surgical Education Numbered Trials** group collaborating in national and international studies (SECOND Trial, THIRD Trial, and more) concentrated on enhancing the culture and learning environment of surgical residency programs. Fellows will work extensively, alongside surgical education wellness and diversity leaders, to design and implement future research studies having a unique opportunity to develop a meaningful research portfolio in surgical education. Research fellows will earn a Master's Degree in Clinical Science from Indiana University School of Medicine. Applicants are not required to enroll in degree programs if a similar-level degree has already been achieved.

The FIRST and SECOND Trials have contributed extensively to the literature in the surgical education space, successfully publishing 54 manuscripts and conducting over 50 presentations nationwide by prior fellows. Moreover, prior fellows have published their surgical education research in NEJM, JAMA, and surgical education journals. Fellows will be primarily mentored by **Drs. Yue-Yung Hu, Karl Bilimoria, and Demetrios Stefanidis**, along with several other Indiana University clinical and methodological experts in surgical education and health service/outcomes research.

The research conducted by the Surgical Education Trials Group is made possible by partnerships with the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME), American College of Surgeons (ACS), American Board of Surgery (ABS), Association of Program Directors in Surgery (APDS), Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), and the Society of Surgical Chairs (SSC). The Surgical Education Numbered Trials group is funded by the ACGME and ACS.

Strong preference will be given to candidates with prior research experience and coming from diverse backgrounds, particularly those underrepresented in medicine (URiM). One-year fellowships will not be considered. Applicants must be U.S. permanent residents or visa holders. Please send your CV to damorteg@iu.edu for pre-screening and to request an application. Fellowship applications for 2023 will close November 30, 2022 but will be reviewed on a rolling basis.