



News

Apply for the Research Training Institute '21!

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Are you a library professional who wants to take your research skills to the next level? Do you have a brilliant idea or research topic that you want to pursue but do not know where to start and need help from your peers and experts to carry it through?

The Medical Library Association (MLA) Research Training Institute (RTI) is a unique, highly-effective, and collaborative *online* research training and support program. The RTI '21 immerses practicing librarians in scholarly research, inquiry, and publishing. Librarians of all levels of professional experience and types of work environments who provide *health* information, services, and support and who have an interest in increasing their research skills and confidence and want to improve library and health care outcomes, are encouraged to apply to the RTI program.

The institute is a one-year online program that consists of a series of online modules in advanced research methods, mentoring by [faculty experts and peer coaches](#), preparing and implementing a research project, and an opportunity to present findings at the MLA '22 virtual conference. RTI '21 features an expanded

research [curriculum](#) and greater affordability and flexibility for participants. Learn more about RTI [program details](#).

RTI '21 applications will be open until January 4, 2021

Applicants are now being accepted through January 4, 2021 for the 2021 cohort of RTI research fellows. Accepted applicants will be notified in March 2021. See the RTI [Submission Process](#) for eligibility requirements and selection criteria. The institute offers many [scholarship opportunities](#), including scholarships for professionals working in small libraries and academic health libraries, engaging in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) research, and those with limited financial means.

Discover and nurture your research talents! Learn how to conduct and lead quality research projects to improve your library and support quality health care. Meet like-minded research colleagues, make lifelong friends, gain research skills and confidence, form collaborations with other researchers, and help end-users improve health and wellness! [Apply today!](#)

Read more about the [RTI success story](#).

The project is made possible in part by a grant from the U.S. [Institute of Museum and Library Services](#) (IMLS). Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

If you would like to learn more about the institute, please visit the [RTI website](#) or contact RTI Project Director Susan Lessick, AHIP, FMLA.