

Yale Ciencia Academy for Career Development Research Advisor's Statement of Agreement

Dear Research Advisor,

You are receiving this form because a graduate student in your laboratory is applying to participate in the [Yale Ciencia Academy \(YCA\) for Career Development](#), a program supported by NIH grant *1R25GM114000* and managed by Yale University and the non-profit organization Ciencia Puerto Rico.

The YCA will provide PhD students from backgrounds underrepresented in science with opportunities to receive additional career development mentoring, peer support and networking; trainings in important non-research skills required to succeed in science; and a chance contribute to their communities through science outreach.

As a requisite to participate of this one-year program, students must commit to:

- Participating in at least 6 of 8 video-chats with science role models, to be scheduled one weekday per month from 7:00-8:30pm ET;
- Participating in 4 of 5 peer-discussion chats, to be scheduled one weekday per month from 7:00-8:30pm ET;
- Participating in at least 3 online professional development workshops per year (lasting 2-4 hrs) as well as one annual in-person workshop at a national scientific conference to be determined by the Yale Ciencia Academy program (either AAAS or SACNAS);
- Completing a science outreach activity of the student's choosing (e.g. contributing a science article for the general public, visiting a school, recording a podcast, etc.)

Students are strongly encouraged to give advance notice to their research mentors about the program's schedule and to work with their mentors, professors and program administrators to ensure that the activities of the YCA do not conflict with their academic and research responsibilities.

As part of the student's application she/he must submit this form, completed by you, acknowledging awareness of their intent to participate in the YCA during the next calendar year and agreeing to support the student in this training. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.



Giovanna Guerrero-Medina, Ph.D.
Principal Investigator

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Name of student:

Academic Institution:

- I hereby declare that I am currently this student's research advisor (either for a rotation or for the student's thesis work).
- I am aware that the Yale Ciencia Academy is a program designed to benefit students' academic and professional development and that the student under my research supervision is interested in participating in this program and completing all requirements
- I commit to working with this student to ensure that he/she is provided enough time to participate in the Yale Ciencia Academy's activities and trainings.

Sincerely,

Signature:

Research Advisor's Name:

Research Advisor's Contact Information: