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# MH-RITES

## RESEARCH CENTER

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MENTAL HEALTH  
RESEARCH  
INNOVATION  
TREATMENT  
ENGAGEMENT  
SERVICE



### WHAT WE DO

*The mission of The MH-RITES Research Center is to drive evidence-based innovation that achieves optimal treatment engagement in mental health services by individuals and families who need them.*

*We believe that advances in research coupled with experiences in practice, provide a powerful source of new ideas focused on how to best help people with mental illness.*

### HELPFUL LINKS

MH-RITES Website:

<http://bit.ly/MH-RITES>

Research Center  
Affiliates Application  
Guidelines

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# The MH-RITES Research Center Research Center Affiliate

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## Why become a Research Center Affiliate?

Research Center Affiliates will become members of the vibrant and collaborative MH-RITES Research Center and community with the vision to improve the lives of individuals managing mental health issues through research, education, and clinical treatment. Research Center Affiliates will be promoted by the Center; have a forum to share their work; and gain access to a strong network of national and international researchers; and educational and research opportunities.

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## What are the requirements?

MH-RITES Research Center Affiliate requirements include:

- Enrolled as a PhD student or a practicing licensed professional or a certified peer specialist in the area of mental health,
- A focus and/or interest in mental health,
- Your program of research reflects the mission and vision of The MH-RITES Research Center,
- Your program of research promotes the inclusion of social, racial, economic, and political justice considerations throughout their activities, and
- Pursues or interest in pursuing the mental health research.

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## How do I apply?

Organize and submit an application to include responses to each of the following questions (limit to 2 pages single spaced):

- a) Provide a brief bio that highlights your program of research and current project(s).
- b) Identify and describe any research alignment or interest you have with the Center's mission, Research Fellows, or projects.
- c) What are you hoping to gain from becoming a Research Affiliate with the Center?
- d) As a Research Center Affiliate, are you willing to be an active member of the Center by attending annual events? Are there certain Center events/opportunities that you would like to see?

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## What happens after I apply?

All applications will initially be reviewed for eligibility criteria by the Center Director. Each eligible and completed application will be submitted to The MH-RITES Center Research Affiliate committee comprised of Board members for review and approval.

**Email Applications and questions to the Director of The MH-RITES Research Center, Dr. Robin Gearing: [rgearing@uh.edu](mailto:rgearing@uh.edu)**