The Blavatnik Fellowship in Life Science Entrepreneurship is designed to foster entrepreneurship in life science and to enhance the commercialization of breakthrough biomedical innovation originating from research laboratories throughout Harvard University.

Harvard Business School sees itself as a catalytic force in promoting successful commercialization of the University’s technologies. Settled within an extraordinary community of biomedical research scientists and private enterprise in greater Boston, HBS has the opportunity to attract and train a generation of leaders who will shape our competitive economic position in life science and biomedicine. The Blavatnik Fellowship will be a founding pillar of this initiative.

This unique program will provide a select group of HBS MBA alumni the opportunity to work with Harvard inventors to promote the commercialization of important life science-oriented technologies which have the potential to create significant commercial value. The program draws upon Harvard’s world class research enterprise and will partner with the University’s Blavatnik Biomedical Accelerator fund, which is responsible for advancing Harvard’s inventions.

Blavatnik Fellows will focus on technologies originating from Harvard University’s research laboratories. They will have the opportunity to review and select projects from the broad portfolio of Harvard University sponsored innovations including projects that have already secured funding from the Blavatnik Biomedical Accelerator.

The Fellows will be mentored by a community of business and science leaders in the Boston biopharma and health technology communities and Harvard’s i-lab will be the hub of the fellowship where students will be provided with space and the opportunity to join the community. Formal and informal components of the program will provide education and interaction in areas including strategy, R & D management, intellectual property, regulatory affairs, business development and entrepreneurial financing. Fellows are encouraged to complete business plans and secure funding and, where appropriate, to join and develop founding teams of new ventures.

Fellowships will be awarded to 3-5 exceptional individuals each year. Qualified applicants must have graduated from the HBS MBA program within the last 7 years, with a strong interest in pursuing careers in biomedical leadership and/or entrepreneurship.

The Fellows will receive a $95K stipend for twelve months, September 1 – August 31, and will have extra monies for activities including due diligence, market research, licensing options, and other relevant matters. This is a full-time, residential fellowship so fellows are expected to live in the Boston area. Vicki Sato, PhD, Professor of Management Practice at Harvard Business School is the faculty chair of the Blavatnik Fellowship. For more information on the fellowship, please visit our website: http://www.biomedicalaccelerator.org/fellowship/ or email blavatnikfellowship@hbs.edu.