

## Innovation Update | Fall 2019

**Results of the first Innovation Challenge are in!**  
UCLA Health Innovation Challenge awards

UCLA Health has completed its first Innovation Challenge, and the results are in. After receiving 300 submissions across five categories, 37 peer-reviewed projects were selected for awards that ranged from grants and seed funding up to \$150,000 to prizes such as gift cards and iPads. A total of more than \$1.1 million was disbursed from health system funds and philanthropic contributions.

“I was so very impressed by people’s enthusiasm, the number of teams collaborating and quality of their ideas” said **Desert Horse-Grant**, senior director for UCLA Health Research & Innovation and co-executive director of UCLA Biodesign.



The UCLA Health Innovation Challenge was initiated to provide caregivers, staff, trainees, patients, volunteers and students the opportunity to help advance long-lasting health and wellness solutions.

The submitted projects represented a diverse spectrum of issues and needs. [See the winners >](#)

**Innovation  
Challenge  
Winners****Meet the UCLA Biodesign Fellows**  
The next generation of healthcare transformers

UCLA Biodesign Fellows follow a three-stage development process that forms the cornerstone of their entrepreneurial journey. Over the course of the year-long fellowship, trainees learn the fundamentals of product development – from the identification of clinical opportunities to the initiation of a new venture. [Read more >](#)

**Applications for UCLA Biodesign Fellowship 2020**  
Be a part of tackling some of today’s most challenging clinical needs

UCLA Biodesign invites engineering, medicine, nursing, design, and computer science professionals to join us in our mission to transform healthcare. Fellows have the opportunity to leverage clinical and health IT resources at UCLA Health through clinical immersion across disciplines. Working in an interdisciplinary team, fellows leverage their combined expertise to develop solutions that will transform patient care. The application deadline is Nov 5, 2019.

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