




**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Research Deans and Postdoctoral Scholar Administrators

**From:** Elizabeth A. Graddy   
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**Subject:** Postdoctoral Scholar Minimum Salary Requirement for FY2019

As a reflection of the NIH's new salary guidelines, the FY2019 minimum salary requirement for postdoctoral scholars at USC will be \$48,432. This minimum applies to all newly appointed and renewed postdocs on or after July 1, 2018.

The recommended minimum annual salary for postdoctoral scholars with more years of experience can be referenced here: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-18-175.html>

And as is currently the case, each school is permitted to set a higher minimum salary for its postdoctoral scholars. Please ensure that your research administrators are aware of the new minimum salary.

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