# LSU Health

# Summer Research Internship Program - REU

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU) Underrepresented Minorities in the Sciences The application deadline is 5:00 pm, Thursday, March 31, 2016

All questions regarding the program should be submitted to:

SummerResearch@lsuhsc.edu

### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- Completed application form
- Cover letter describing research interests and career goals
- Resume describing schools attended, previous job experience and relevant accomplishments
- Unofficial undergraduate transcript
- Provide two (2) professional and/or academic references. Your references will only be contacted if you are selected for an interview.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicants attending universities outside of the New Orleans area will be considered only if they have plan to live in the vicinity during the summer. Particular emphasis will be placed on broadening participation of members of groups historically underrepresented in science, including African Americans, Alaska Natives, American Indians, Hispanic Americans and Native Pacific Islanders.
- Students must be US citizens or permanent residents.
- College undergraduates majoring in any of the biological sciences with a minimum of 3.0 grade point average.
- Attend mandatory orientation and must be available during all dates of program (May 31, 2016 August 5, 2016). If you have a prior commitment during the dates of the program you are ineligible to participate. This is a full-time, 10 week commitment.

# SELECTION

Once your completed application packet is submitted, it will be reviewed by the Summer Research Program Committee. The Committee will conduct interviews with a select number of students via Skype during April 2016. Once all interviews have been completed candidates will be informed of their status by **April 30, 2016**.

#### **REQUIREMENTS AND EXPECTATIONS**

- Conduct your own small research project or work on part of an ongoing research project.
- Attend weekly seminar series that will introduce you to rapidly progressing basic science research areas at LSUHSC.
- Be willing to complete all Compliance Training, Conflict of Interest Forms and/or any other training deemed necessary for your internship as soon as it is received.
- Report to work on time as designated by mentor to work on assigned research project.
- Present a poster at the 2016 Summer Research Program Poster day where the student presents what was learned over the summer.

#### **STIPENDS**

Student stipends for the REU Program are **\$5,250.00** and will be received in **three (3)** increments over the course of the summer. An additional per diem of **\$855.00** is also available to cover the costs of travel and one meal per day during the term of the program. Students will be responsible for a parking fee of **\$35.00**, plus **\$20.00** gate card fee (*gate card fee is refundable at the end of the summer*). Housing is not provided through the Summer Research Program; however on campus housing is available through LSUHSC. Students are responsible for arranging their own housing needs. For more information on requirements, rates and deadlines please visit <u>http://www.lsuhsc.edu/administration/ae/housing.aspx</u>.

REU Site-Research Experiences for Undergraduate Minorities in Basic Sciences website: <u>http://www.medschool.lsuhsc.edu/genetics/reu.aspx</u>