

## **Summer Research Internship Program - REU**

Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)
Underrepresented Minorities in the Sciences

The application deadline is 5:00 pm, Friday, March 30, 2018 All questions regarding the program should be submitted to:

<u>SummerResearch@Isuhsc.edu</u>, please reference the program for which you are applying, no phone calls please.

### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- Completed application form.
- Cover letter describing research interests and career goals.
- Resume describing schools attended, previous job experience and relevant accomplishments.
- Copy of your unofficial undergraduate transcript.
- Provide two (2) professional and/or academic references. Reference letters are not required to submit your application; references will be contacted only if necessary.
- Any student who is accepted into the program will be required to submit current vaccination records and
  a social security number before the start of the program. Instructions will be provided at a later date on
  how to submit this information.

### **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.
- Students will be required to attend an all-day mandatory orientation on <u>Friday, June 1, 2018</u> and must be available during all dates of program <u>(Friday, June 1, 2018 Friday, August 3, 2018)</u>. If you have a prior commitment during the dates of the program you are ineligible to participate. This is a full-time 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 2018. Once all interviews have been completed candidates will be informed of their status by **April 30, 2018**.

#### 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 medical and basic 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, students are expected to work no more than 40 hours a week.
- Present a poster at the 2018 Summer Research Program Poster day where the student presents what was learned over the summer.



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## STIPENDS, HOUSING AND PARKING

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 (payable on the students first day of the program) 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 anywhere \$45.00-\$55.00, plus \$25.00 gate card fee (gate card fee is refundable at the end of the summer). Funding may be available to cover on campus housing but will be contingent upon the availability of funding. Students will be notified in their acceptance letters if they qualify for a housing stipend. Otherwise, students will be responsible for their housing costs. Please be advised that space is limited in on campus housing and is on a first come first serve basis. For more information on requirements, rates and deadlines please visit <a href="http://www.lsuhsc.edu/administration/ae/housing.aspx">http://www.lsuhsc.edu/administration/ae/housing.aspx</a>

**REU Site-Research Experiences for Undergraduate Minorities in Basic Sciences Website**