Short Research Experiences in Cancer at LSUHSC for Undergraduates
Supported by the National Cancer Institute (NCI)

Purpose: To interest and challenge qualified college students in biomedical research as it relates to cancer. Participants are offered an opportunity to perform research supervised by faculty at the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center. It is hoped that the experience will encourage participants to make career choices which may ultimately benefit cancer patients and contribute to the eradication of the disease.

Time: Tuesday, May 27 through Friday, July 18, 2008

Eligibility: As of May 28, 2008, applicants must be classified as college juniors or seniors. Academic credit will not be given for this summer program. Minority students are encouraged to apply.

Application: Students desiring to take part in the program are requested to complete the attached application form.

Deadline: Students desiring to take part in the program are requested to complete and return the application form by Friday, March 21, 2008. A completed application and all supporting documents should be sent to:

Alfredo Lopez-S, MD, PhD
LSUHSC Department of Medicine, Nutrition Section
2020 Gravier Street
7th Floor, Suite D, Box E7-20
New Orleans, LA 70112

Selection: The Cancer Education Committee of LSUHSC School of Medicine reviews and ranks the applicants. Only those individuals who have completed the application form and sent all supporting documents will be evaluated by the committee. Those students finally selected for the program and those selected as alternates will be interviewed during the month of April. Those not selected for the program will be notified by May 13, 2008.

Participation: Research projects are under the supervision of the Basic Science and Clinical Research Faculty of LSUHSC. Research involving the basic and/or clinical aspects of cancer (IE prevention, clinical trials) will be available on a full-time basis. Students are required to attend weekly seminars on cancer-related topics.

Evaluation: At the end of the program, students are required to present an oral and written report of their research experience on July 18, 2008 and are requested to complete an evaluation form about the program and make suggestions for its improvement.

Faculty members are requested to submit a short evaluation of their student's competence. All evaluations are confidential.

Stipend: The stipend will be $3000 for the program.

Accommodations: Responsibility for accommodations rests solely with each student.

Information: Alfredo Lopez-S, MD, PhD alopez@lsuhsc.edu

Undergraduate Application for Short Research Experiences in Cancer - 2008
Name:_____________________________________________________   SSN:_____________________________________

Date of Birth: _____________________      Place of Birth: _____________________________________  Sex:_____________

Country of Citizenship: __________________   Visa Status: ________________________  Permanent  Resident No.__________

Permanent/Family Address: ___________________________________ City:___________     State: ______  Zip:___________

Current Address: _____________________________ City: __________  State: _____Zip: ______ E-mail Address: _____________

Telephone number: permanent ____________________  current _________________________  cell_________________________

Notify in case of emergency: ( name) ___________________________________________________________________________

(relationship) _________________________________ (telephone number)_____________________________________________

If you are related to any member of the Louisiana State University staff, give name and relationship:_______________________

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If you have been employed by LSUHSC in the past, please indicate department and dates of service:________________________

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University/school attending at present:________________________________________________________

Year in School: 1 ____ 2 ____ 3 ____ 4 ____  Race (optional) ________________________________

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

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List any prizes and/or honors received.

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Have you participated in a research program?  If so, please list area of research, place and dates of participation.

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Reasons for applying to this research program:

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I understand that, if selected, written and oral presentations are required at the completion of the summer research program. Also, by submitting the application for this program, I voluntarily agree to provide periodic information that will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of the program. I understand that this information is essential to the continued NCI support of the program as an evaluation criterion. I will make a reasonable effort to keep my contact information current upon request from the program staff.

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Signature

**Please submit this completed application form along with one letter of recommendation from a college professor, a recent photograph (optional), and an official transcript (GPA) to:
Dr. Alfredo Lopez-S, LSUHSC Department of Medicine, Nutrition Section, 2020 Gravier Street, 7th Floor, Suite D, Box E7-20 New Orleans, LA 70112

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