Eligibility and Admission Requirements

The Diversity Student Summer Research Opportunity Program is designed to provide educational opportunities for undergraduate students who have a strong interest in a research career in biomedical or biological or medicine. In keeping with Albert Einstein College of Medicine’s overall commitment to diversity, we strongly encourage applications from those groups historically underrepresented in medicine to apply.

The program welcomes applications from college students that meet the following criteria at the time of application:

- are either a sophomore or a junior in college
- have taken at least one year of biology and general chemistry with laboratory
- have at least a 3.0 science grade point average
- are a US citizen or permanent resident (international students are not eligible)

Admission will be based on the applicant’s academic record, including prior research, an essay and a letter of recommendation from the applicant’s faculty advisor or research supervisor. Intent to pursue a Ph.D. or MD/Ph.D. degree and prior research experience are desirable.

Description

The program provides eight weeks of experience and participation in biomedical research. Students participating in the program will conduct research under the direction of a faculty member. Research assignments will be made based upon availability of research opportunities and according to the mutual interests of the faculty sponsors and student participants.

Participants will have the opportunity to interact not only with the faculty member directing the research, but also with the graduate students and/or postdoctoral fellows working at the site. Frequent meetings with other program participants along with one or more of the faculty sponsors will be scheduled as well as weekly seminars, workshops, and lectures.

At the end of the eight week period, program students will have the opportunity to present their work to their peers and faculty at a poster session. Each student will also be expected to write a report concerning the research work conducted and its relation to other work in progress at his/her site.
Fellowships in the amount of $3,000 will be awarded and limited travel reimbursement for students living outside the New York metropolitan area will be available.

Students are responsible for meals, health insurance coverage, and other incidental expenses.

**Housing and Meals**

On campus housing will be provided to students accepted into the program at no cost to students. Meals may be prepared in the apartments or purchased at the college or hospital cafeterias and surrounding community.

**Social Activities**

Participants will be invited to all Graduate School and Diversity Enhancement Office functions. A barbecue and special social events will be scheduled specifically for participants. Smaller group social interactions will occur within research laboratories and with other program participants. The Office of Diversity Enhancement will serve as a Student Affairs Office.

**Application Procedure**

Completed applications should be sent to:

Diversity Student Summer Research Opportunity Program  
Office of Diversity Enhancement  
ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE  
1300 Morris Park Avenue, Room 507 Belfer  
Bronx, NY  10461

Note: Letter of recommendation and **official college transcript from each college you have attended** should be sent directly from your college to the address above. Telephone inquiries should be directed to: Ms. Nilda I. Soto at (718) 430-3091, Fax (718) 430-2146.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS IS:**

**MARCH 1, 2019**
Diversity Student Summer Research Opportunity Program

Notes: Read all instructions and questions before you start.
Please TYPE or Print neatly all application information.

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STEP #1 Complete the Application Data Sheet and the Essay Form (include your signature and date) and send to:

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ALBERT EINSTEIN COLLEGE OF MEDICINE
1300 Morris Park Avenue, Belfer 507
Bronx, New York 10461

STEP #2 Request a copy of your OFFICIAL transcript from your college/university Registrar for each college you have attended to be sent directly to the address noted above.

STEP #3 Complete the applicant information at the top of the Faculty Recommendation Form and submit to your faculty advisor or research supervisor. Please have the person send the completed form signed and dated DIRECTLY to the address noted above.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

March 1, 2019
APPLICATION DATA SHEET

Please print complete information below:

Name: _____________________________________________________________________

                   Last             First             Middle

Campus Information

College/University____________________________________________________________

If you reside on campus, your campus mailing address: _____________________________

___________________________________________________________________________

Landline Telephone Number (    ) _________________    Cell Phone _________________

Email Address (please print clearly) _____________________________________________

Date of conclusion of Spring 2019 semester _______________________________________

After what date should we contact you at home rather than at your campus location? _____

Major Field of Study__________________________________________________________

Expected Date of Graduation____________________________________________________

Career Goal(s) _______________________________________________________________

GPA (cumulative) _______________________________

(The cumulative GPA must be apparent on transcript. If not, a letter from the Registrar’s Office must be included which indicates cumulative GPA. Transcript or letter should also indicate the current courses being taken.)

Scholarships, prizes, awards, membership in honorary and professional society:

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PERSONAL DATA
Home Address

City/Town  State  Zip

Home Telephone (    ) ________________

Name of Parent(s)____________________________  Phone No._______________________

Guardian(s) _________________________________  Phone No._______________________

Citizenship:  United States________  Permanent Resident_________________

Other___________  Visa Type_____________________

Identify Country________________________________________

Deadline – March 1, 2019
Essay

Describe below your scientific research interest and what you hope to accomplish during the fellowship experience. Please include references to your undergraduate courses and lab work which you feel prepares you for research. Include information about your community service experiences as well as personal and professional goals. We are also interested in your non-academic endeavors.

Type or hand print neatly – essay can be attached to this form

__________________________________________
Signature

__________________________________________
Date

Deadline for application and documents:

March 1, 2019
Faculty Recommendation Form

Name of Applicant___________________________________________________________

                                           Last                        First                    Middle

I (select statement) waive/do not waive my right to see this recommendation.

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Student’s Signature

Name of Individual Recommending Student________________________________________

College/University____________________________________________________________

Department___________________            Telephone (    ) ________________________

Applicant’s:               Faculty Advisor___________        Research Advisor___________

Other (specify) __________________________________________

How long have you known the applicant? ____________________________

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Please describe on the back of this form or attach a letter on letterhead the applicant’s academic performance and potential based upon your interactions with him/her. Please include references and the ability to conduct research in a laboratory setting.

All information will be considered confidential if the student waived the right to see this recommendation. This report will be limited to the selection committee.

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March 1, 2019
Rate the applicant on the given items by a numerical score of 1 to 5, basing such ratings on the degree of accomplishments usually expected of individuals at this level:

1). Outstanding  
2). Above Average  
3). Average  
4). Below Average  
5). Poor  
6). Insufficient Knowledge to rate

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Comments:

Signature

Date

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