Summer Research Internship Program 2020

The UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh Rangos Research Center serves as the hub of pediatric research in Pittsburgh and is one of the fastest growing pediatric research programs in the United States. Whether advancing immunosuppressant management to wean transplant patients from anti-rejection drugs or seeking a cure for juvenile diabetes, UPMC Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh is expanding the research frontier with new and innovative therapies for the cure of childhood disease and disability.

Under the direction of faculty advisor Sunder Sims-Lucas, Ph.D. and Diane Cline, Director of Research, Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh offers an eight-week paid summer internship program designed for undergraduate students from any college or university who wish to learn the rationale, design strategies, methods and other aspects of biomedical research by engaging in studies under the direct supervision of experiences researchers. In 2019, 39 faculty mentors representing 19 divisions participated in the program mentoring 49 student interns from 29 colleges and universities who participated in both laboratory and clinical research projects.

Program Eligibility:
✓ U.S. citizen or a permanent resident (green card holder)
✓ Students must be enrolled in a degree-granting program at a college/university
✓ Cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher
✓ Have completed at least two semesters of undergraduate education
✓ Have at least one semester of undergraduate education remaining after completing the program

Applications for the 2020 program will be available on-line at https://careers.upmc.com/pages/students in early January 2020. Credentials from all eligible participants are reviewed by the mentors through the selection process. Selected participants are notified in April of their acceptance into the program. The 2020 program will commence on June 1 and conclude July 24 with the annual “Poster Day” forum. Participants are expected to complete the 8-week program working 40 hours per week and will receive compensation of approximately $4,000. Housing is not provided with this program. All interested participants may contact the faculty advisor, Sunder Sims-Lucas, PhD or the program administrator, Diane Cline for additional information.

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