

TO APPLY

Once international students are selected by their home medical school, they must send the following documents by Friday, January 27, 2012:

- Summer Research Program application:
Forms are available from the Office of Educational Programs
- Official medical school transcript(s) only:
Transcript in English must show name of university and all coursework taken.
- Personal Statement from student (300 words or less): *How will this research experience help you achieve your career goals?*
- Two (2) Letters of Reference from student's faculty
- Letter from student's English teacher certifying his/her English skills.

Contact the U.S. Embassy in home country to ensure compliance with visa requirements.

CALENDAR

January 27, 2012: Application Deadline - All application documents must be received by this date.

February 10, 2012: Tuition fee Deadline -Tuition fee must be received by this date.

Official letter of acceptance will be mailed only after receipt of the student's program application and tuition

REGULAR PROGRAM DATES:

May 29, 2012: 8-Week program commences, mandatory attendance begins

July 20, 2012: 8-Week program ends/Closing Ceremony

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM DATES:

We offer an Alternate Calendar for those who cannot attend the Regular Program. The Summer Research Program will be as similar as possible to the regular program and be compatible to the student's needs.

June 27, 2012: Alternative 8-Week Program commences, mandatory attendance begins
August 15, 2012: Alternative 8-Week program ends

CONTACTS

For additional information, please contact:

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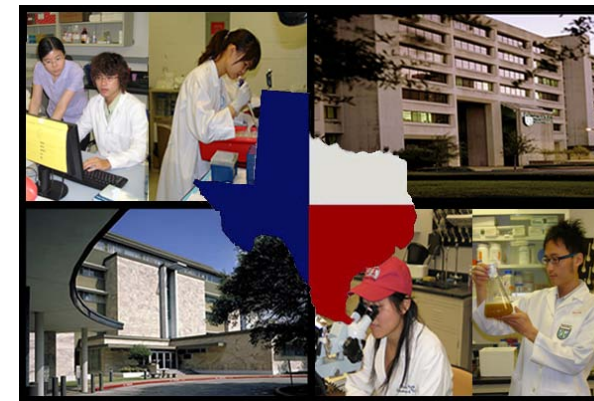
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2012



Summer Research Program

*For International
Medical & Dental Students*

THE PROGRAM

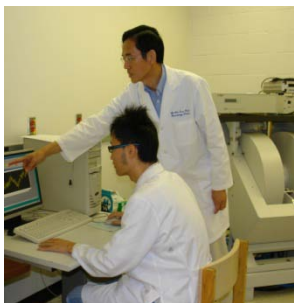
The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHealth) is dedicated to teaching and biomedical research. The purpose of this program is to provide medical students with first-hand biomedical research skills in basic and clinical sciences.

Appointed international medical students spend 8 weeks during the summer gaining intensive hands-on research experience under the direction of experienced faculty researchers, professors and physicians. The student will spend approximately 40 hours a week on research in a lab located in the UT Medical School at Houston or UT Dental Branch at Houston.

Working with their faculty mentor, international students have the option of writing a brief abstract of their research performed during the summer. Publications of students' abstracts are available on the UT Medical School Web site, and through the UTHealth and other Texas Medical Center libraries.

At the completion of the program, a "Certificate of Participation in The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston - 2011 International Summer Research Program" will be awarded.

SELECTION OF FACULTY MENTORS



Most UT Medical School and UT Dental Branch departments are represented in the Summer Research Program. Students are given the opportunity to select a research

area and/or faculty with whom they wish to work with. We make every effort to place the student with the department and/or faculty of their choice.

TRAINING

Important components of the Summer Research Program are the science training workshops, enrichment series, and a seminar series.

The science training workshops, presented during orientation, include:

Laboratory Safety, Animal Sciences, Radiation Safety & Hazard Awareness, and Chemical Safety.

In addition to the training series, tours throughout the 8-week program may include:

Medical School Gross Anatomy Lab, UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, The Texas Heart Institute, Memorial Hermann - Texas Medical Center, and other facilities in the Texas Medical Center.



Previous lectures held during the summer research programs include:

Neal Pellis, PhD, *Setting Sail on the Cosmic Sea: Biomedical Research Challenges for Human Space Exploration*

Eric Boerwinkle, PhD, *Genetic Architecture of Cardiovascular Disease and its Risk Factors*

Herbert DuPont, MD, *Learning Acute Diarrhea Diseases Through Clinical Cases and Outbreaks*

Paul Simmons, MD, *Stem Cell Research*

Perry Bickel, MD, *Obesity Research*

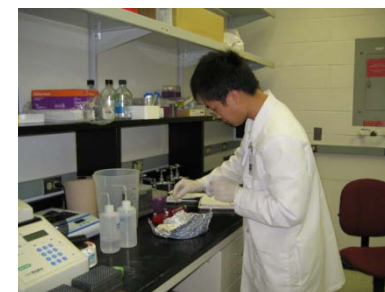
John Holcomb, MD, FACS, *CeTIR- Center for Translational Injury Research*

James Grotta, MD, *Stroke Research*

ELIGIBILITY

International students must:

- be enrolled in a medical school (partnered institution) that has a current program agreement with UTHealth
- be evaluated and recommended by their home medical school (partnered institution)
- have documented working knowledge of English language both verbal and written
- be 21 years old by program start date
- attend orientation and training workshops.



TUITION

The cost for the Summer Research Program is:
8-Week Option: \$3,500.00 USD

The fee includes tuition only and is due two weeks after the application.

The partnered institution/student is responsible for housing, insurance, visa, meals and all other non-tuition related expenses.

(Housing is located near UTHealth, UT Medical School and UT Dental Branch. Partnered institution/ students are responsible for housing arrangements.)

