MISSION

Our mission is to promote undergraduate student biomedical education as well as to increase the number of students interested in a career in basic, clinical, and translational research.

PROGRAM

McGovern Medical School at 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 undergraduates with first-hand biomedical research experience in the basic or clinical sciences.

Selected undergraduates from across the nation spend 10 weeks during the summer gaining intensive hands-on laboratory research experience under the direction of experienced faculty researchers and physicians. The students will spend 40 hours a week on research in a lab located in the Texas Medical Center.

At the end of the 10 weeks, working with the faculty mentor, each student will write a brief abstract of their research performed during the summer. Past abstract publications are on the program’s website.

Other important components of the Summer Research Program are science training workshops, seminars, an enrichment series, and selected tours.

UTHHealth is located in the renowned Texas Medical Center—just west of downtown and next to Houston’s beautiful museum district.

ELIGIBILITY

Undergraduate students enrolled in any accredited U.S. college or university during school year 2017/2018 may participate. A student:

- must be at least a sophomore at the time of application
- must have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0
- must have completed at least 12 hours in a science discipline
- must be 18 years of age by program start
- may apply if he/she is a senior and are returning to a U.S. university/college for the fall semester following this program.

International Students

Foreign students enrolled at a U.S. university/college are eligible to apply to this program. Students must have a Social Security card. Please visit the website and carefully review the eligibility requirements.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Participants in the program are paid a stipend of up to $3,000 for the 10-week period (based on availability of funding). This stipend is not a salary - it is meant to subsidize students so that they may gain research experience. Stipends are paid in conjunction with the UT payroll schedule. Our program does not accept students in a volunteer capacity.

Housing

Housing is located near the McGovern Medical School at UTHealth. Contact the program coordinator for more information.

IMMUNIZATION

Copies of immunization records must be provided once a student has been accepted into the program.

Required immunizations:
- Hepatitis B
- Menigococcal Vaccine
- MMR
- Diphtheria/tetanus
- PPD Skin Test
- Varicella

*Students are responsible for travel and living expenses.
**CALENDAR**

December 1:  Application opens online
February 1:  All application material must be received by this date
Mid-April:  Accepted applicants will be contacted
May 21:  Orientation
July 27:  Closing Program

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**TO APPLY**

Application can only be made through the website:

https://med.uth.edu/oep/summer-research-program/

You will receive email notice of the successful receipt of your application.
The “Application Status” webpage allows you to follow receipt of your application materials.

The following must be received by:

*February 1, 2018*

- Completed application (on website)
- Personal Statement (300 words) *How will this research experience help you achieve your career goals?*
- College transcript(s) *Official transcripts must show your name and the name of your university. No copies accepted.*

- Two (2) letters of reference *These will be part of the application process and MUST be sent directly from the writer before the deadline.*

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**Why McGovern Medical School at UTHealth SRP?**

- Biomedical research training
- Enrichment & educational activities
- Networking with scientists, medical students, graduate students and international medical students
- Research in the world famous Texas Medical Center
- Stipend

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