The Cedars-Sinai Research Internship Program **Biomedical Education Pipeline Initiative** (BEPI) is a paid research internship that provides undergraduate students from diverse and underrepresented backgrounds with an opportunity to develop basic research skills as they consider postgraduate education and a career in healthcare. Studies support findings that students’ confidence, motivation, and interest in research careers and postgraduate education dramatically increases after participation in summer internship experiences. This program aims to help increase the pool of qualified diverse candidates pursuing a career in healthcare who will ultimately enhance patient care and health equity.

**Program Overview**
The eight to ten-week summer internship experience is designed to broaden the participant’s exposure to hands-on research at an academic medical center. Mentored by Cedars-Sinai faculty, research interns are exposed to a diverse spectrum of leading edge technology in multiple disciplines and projects related to basic, translational or clinical research.

In addition to research activities, lunchtime events are organized where research interns have an opportunity to hear from experts about career options in healthcare, network with other interns and participate in additional learning activities such as journal clubs. The summer ends with an opportunity for interns to opt in the Research Internship Annual Poster Symposium where they learn to prepare an abstract and deliver a poster presentation of their research to the Cedars-Sinai scientific community.

Internship training aspects may include the following research fundamentals:
- **✓** Principles of the research process (clinical, bench, or translational research)
- **✓** Safety regulations for working in laboratory and research areas
- **✓** Appropriate use of protected health information (PHI)
- **✓** Research study design and hypothesis development
- **✓** Data collection and analysis
- **✓** Scientific literature review process
- **✓** Methods for writing an abstract including end notes and source citing
- **✓** Research discussions and presentation skills (lab meetings, journal clubs)
- **✓** Opportunity to make an oral and poster presentation at the Program’s Annual Poster Day symposium

Internships are approximately 30 - 40 hours per week. Participants will be paid at a rate of $15/hour, bi-weekly, subject to applicable taxes.
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Eligibility

- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Currently pursuing a degree at a US college or institution and eligible to work in the U.S.
- Completed at least one year of biology or chemistry course
- Interest in pursuing graduate and/or medical school
- Commit to the entire duration of the program (10 weeks, 30-40 hours per week; May 21 – August 2, 2019 or June 11 – August 2, 2019). Start dates align with orientation dates.
- Have reliable transportation for commuting to Cedars-Sinai Beverly Hills campus, as transportation and housing stipends will not be provided.

How to Apply

Please visit the Research Internship Program website* to download an application and submit it along with a cover letter, resume and a letter of recommendation to ReserachInternships@cshs.org no later than March 1, 2019. The letter of recommendation should be written by someone who is familiar with your academic interests and qualifications such as an instructor or research mentor. It may accompany with your application or emailed directly to ReserachInternships@cshs.org.

*Research Internship website can be searched on cedars-sinai.org or found at: https://www.cedars-sinai.edu/Education/Research-Internship-Program/

Important Dates

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Required Documents:

- Application
- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Recommendation Letter from instructor or mentor