

Summer Biomedical Informatics Training Program

Program Description

The Summer Biomedical Informatics Training Program is an eight-week program for undergraduate students interested in a biomedical informatics career. It is funded by the National Institutes of Health Short Term Trainee Position program, which recruits individuals from diverse backgrounds.

When is it?

The Summer Biomedical Informatics Training Program runs eight weeks from the beginning of June through the end of July.

Who is eligible?

1. Applicants must be United States citizens or permanent residents of the United States.
2. Applicants must be from one of the following diverse backgrounds:
 - Under-represented racial and ethnic groups: Black or African-American, Native Americans and Alaskan Indians, Hispanic, Hawaiian Native or Pacific Islander
 - Individuals with disabilities, who are defined as those with a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more major life activities.
 - Individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds may come from (1) a family with an annual income below established low-income thresholds, or (2) a socio-cultural environment (such as found in some rural or inner-city areas) that inhibited their ability to obtain knowledge skills and abilities for a research career.
3. Applicants must, in the fall of 2010, be entering their Junior or Senior year at an accredited university in the United States.
4. Applicants must have a computer science background and an interest in biomedicine.

What will I do?

You will be assigned a mentor and a project. You will participate in seminars and visit affiliated laboratories. At the end of the summer, students are required to complete a written and oral report of their summer project.

How do I apply?

Applicants must submit: a letter of interest, resume/curriculum vitae, official transcript, and two letters of recommendation. Please submit materials to Dr. Alexa T. McCray, Director, Biomedical Informatics Training Program, Center for Biomedical Informatics, Harvard Medical School, 10 Shattuck Street, Boston, MA 02115. Please submit by May 5, 2010.

Is this a paid training program?

Yes. Students will receive a weekly stipend.

For more information:

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