

## PATHMAKER SCHOLARS PROGRAM INFORMATION

The PathMaker Scholars Summer Research Program at the Huntsman Cancer Institute seeks to increase the participation of underrepresented students in biomedical cancer research and to encourage them to prepare for careers in research, medicine, and education. The Program sponsors students for a ten-week, residential summer research experience where they will live on campus, learn laboratory training techniques and work on a project as indicated by a Principal Investigator in a university laboratory setting. Accepted students who successfully complete the program will automatically be accepted into the summer 2021 program without reapplying.

Program Dates: May 25<sup>th</sup> – July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020

Application Deadline: 11:59pm on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Eligibility Criteria:

- Be a member of an underrepresented minority group as outlined by the National Institutes of Health
- Must be a citizen or non-citizen national of the United States, or must have current valid Alien Registration Card I-551, or other legal verification of such status.
- Current undergraduate students or High School students who have completed their junior year of high school prior to the program start.
- Have a strong interest in pursuing a career in the health sciences and biomedical research.
- Must be available to commit 40 hours per work week to the program and live on campus during its duration.

Benefits:

- Accepted students will receive a **stipend** of \$3,000-\$4,000 for their participation in the 10-week summer program, amount depending on education level.
- **Housing** expenses and meal plan will be paid for by the program.
- Travel support is available to students who live outside of Salt Lake City.
- Accepted students will have the opportunity to apply and **attend a national conference** to present their summer research, all conference expenses will be paid for by the program

Expectations:

Students must commit 40 hours per work week to the program activities, which include their individual research placement, attending weekly meetings, program events, and activities. All students are required to present their work at the Summer Research Symposium organized by the Office of Undergraduate Research. During and upon completion of the program, students will be asked to complete surveys to evaluate the program.

**The students admitted will receive...**

- Admittance into the Summer 2021 program for a two year summer experience
- A one-week intensive laboratory techniques course
- A nine-week individual research experience on campus, with a University/HCI faculty member serving as the research mentor (30 hours/week) *\*Dates may be negotiable to accommodate student schedule*
- Potential research topics that span the broad spectrum of the biomedical cancer research
- Co-curricular group session and activities
- Summer Stipend of \$3,000 for High School students and \$4,000 for undergraduate students
- Students will complete HIPAA and IRB Training Courses
- Students will receive housing and a meal plan during the summer program

Students who complete the program are likely to improve their chances of obtaining college scholarships and subsequent undergraduate laboratory research experiences.

**Applications must include...**

- Completion of online application form
- 1-page single space personal statement addressing your interest in the program, career goals, personal and research related background, and skills.
- Copy of your most recent transcripts (unofficial transcripts are accepted)
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, professor, or academic advisor.
- One letter of recommendation from a community contact (Employer, mentor, counselor, etc.)  
*\*Letters must be emailed by recommender directly to program manager*
- Application conditions and certification

**APPLY TODAY!**

Questions?

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