



future Medical Research Investigators Pre-MD/PhD Club Afternoon News



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Boston University Summer Study Internship Program

The Summer Study Internship is a 12-week program with two phases. During the core phase, students attend two six-week summer courses from the academic track of their choice. Then, after a week-long break, the Internship phase begins. Boston University places each student in a full-time, six-week internship matched to his or her interest and experience. Throughout the entire program, interns also take a two-credit Internship Course relevant to their academic track. Placements are in a relevant, professional internship at a Boston-based, U.S.-based, or multinational firm or organization.

This program is for visiting undergraduates who have completed at least one year of college. By the conclusion of the Summer Study Internship Program, students have earned a total of 10 semester credits.

There are 8 program tracks from which to choose, including one in psychology and social policy with a course on medical ethics. This unique program is an exceptional opportunity for students to gain in-depth knowledge and valuable real-world experience that will aid them as they prepare for their future careers.

Program runs May 20-August 15, 2008. Application deadline is May 2, 2008. For more information, visit www.bu.edu/summer/internship.

Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology Scholarships

The Keystone Symposia on Molecular and Cellular Biology is dedicated to Connecting the Scientific Community for the benefit of society. Scientific conferences on biomedical and life science topics are offered in relaxing environments.

The Keystone Symposia offers scholarships to attend their national conferences. Keystone Symposia strives to make its conferences accessible to all. Student registration rates are discounted by up to 35%, and the following financial assistance opportunities are also available. You are strongly encouraged to apply; historically, Keystone Symposia has been able to grant awards to an average of at least one-third of all applicants.

See http://www.keystonesymposia.org/media/pdfs/Keystone_Scholarships.pdf.

Scholarships

Eligibility: Domestic and international students and post-docs. Abstracts submitted for poster presentation will be used as the basis for awarding the scholarships. Scholarship recipients will be selected based on the quality of science of the abstract and the relevance of the abstract to the conference topic.

Award Amount: \$1,000 to cover expenses associated with conference attendance. Five Gates Foundation scholarships of \$1,500 apiece are also available for each Global Health Series meeting.

Application Process: • Verify your contact information on our website • Submit an abstract for the meeting you wish to attend and pay the abstract fee • Provide mentor verification of status as a student or post-doc

Where to Apply: Visit www.keystonesymposia.org/scholarships.

Application Deadline: Four months before the meeting; varies with each meeting.

Global Health Travel Awards – for meetings in the Global Health Series
Funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation with additional support from Wellcome Trust and the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative

Eligibility: Those originating from a nation affected by the health problem of the meeting topic. Preference will be given to individuals traveling from and returning to affected nations, or individuals currently studying in one country but planning to return to work in an affected nation.

Award Amount: The award will cover conference-related expenses to include: meeting registration, lodging, airfare and ground transportation from host airport to the resort.

Application Process: • Verify your contact information on our website • Complete the Global Health Travel Award Application • Send a recommendation letter

Where to Apply: Visit www.keystonesymposia.org/GlobalHealth and set-up/log-in to your account for more information.

Application Deadline: Five months before the meeting; varies with each Global Health Series meeting.

Minority Scholarships

Eligibility: U.S. citizens or Resident Aliens with Green Cards who are graduate or post-doctoral

students currently enrolled in an academic program and belong to one of the following ethnic groups: Hispanic/Latino, Black/African American, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.

Award Amount: \$1,000 to cover expenses associated with conference attendance.

Application Process: • Verify your contact information on our website • Submit an abstract for the meeting you wish to attend and pay the abstract fee • Provide mentor verification of status as a student or post-doc

Where to Apply: Visit www.keystonesymposia.org/minority.

Application Deadline: Four months before the meeting; varies with each meeting.

National Area Health Education Center Organization Summer Health Internship Programs

NAO is the national organization that supports and advances the Area Health Education Center (AHEC) network in improving the health of individuals and communities by transforming health care through education.

It is especially concerned with improving health care in underserved communities and recruiting and retaining underrepresented students in the health care professions.

Many local AHECs offer Summer Health Internship Programs (SHIP). Links to AHECs from throughout the country are listed in NAO's National Directory, which can be accessed by going to: <http://www.nationalahec.org/Directory/AHEC-HETCDirectory.asp>

The application deadlines for SHIP are fast approaching!

Upcoming Kaplan Free MCAT/Pre-Med Events

Below are all of our upcoming MCAT/Pre-Med events through the end of the school year.

Upcoming Kaplan Free Events

Registration for ALL 2008 MCAT test dates is now open

MCAT 10 Question Challenge:

April 7th, 6:00 PM

MCAT Practice Test:

April 17th, 4:00 PM

MCAT Pop Quiz:

April 22nd, 3:00 PM

May 9th, 1:00 PM

Medical School/MCAT Admissions & Strategy Seminar:

May 22nd, 5:00 PM

3 on 3 Co-Ed B-ball Tourney for Children's Miracle Network THIS WEEK

NLVS and Phi Delta Epsilon Medical Fraternity 3 on 3 Co-Ed Basketball Tournament

Support The Children's Miracle Network and help fund health clinics and orphanages abroad!! \$20/team... Includes tons of cool prizes for winning teams. 3 players/team with 1 substitute allowed. All male teams, all female teams, and co-ed teams accepted!!

Where: Kenny Gym

When: April 4 7-11pm & 5 11-3pm

Contact: Shane at sregnie2@uiuc.edu

International Service Event TONIGHT

Wednesday, April 02, 2008

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Illini Union, Illini Room C

Interested in volunteering abroad? Come listen to six registered student organizations (RSOs) talk about their experiences all over the world TONIGHT.

Heartland Healthcare Searching for Musically-Apt Companion

The volunteer coordinator at Heartland Healthcare currently has a resident that used to compose music and play the base fiddle. She is hoping to get in touch with a music group or an individual with similar musical interests, who could volunteer some time to play and talk with my resident. Please let her know who would be a good contact for such a project or forward this on to that individual.

Contact the Volunteer Coordinator:

Hanah Crawford

Activity Director, ManorCare Champaign

430ACT@hcr-manorcare.com

National Volunteer Week

During National Volunteer Week you can:

- Attend our kick-off event on Monday, April 14. There will be speakers, a service t-shirt display, service RSOs, and you can stop by and make a craft to be donated to a local agency.
- Participate in a service project.
- Organize a collection drive (collect pop tabs, school supplies, cell phones, and toiletries).
- Nominate an individual or group for the 2008 Outstanding Service Awards.

To download a flier to distribute, please visit <http://www.union.uiuc.edu/ovp/nvw/>
For more information contact ovp@uiuc.edu.

Blood Drive - April 3

Thursday, April 3 @ 2:30 - 7:30 pm
Got Blood? (Wanna Share?)

Hillel Foundation will sponsor a Blood Drive on Thursday, April 3 from 2:30 - 7:30 pm at the Cohen Center for Jewish Life (503 East John Street, Champaign). Sign up with Dana Shapiro (dana@illinihillel.org); walk-ins are welcomed!

Please eat within 4 hours prior, drink extra water, and bring your ID.

FREE T-Shirt and after-donating-blood snacks for all donors!
For more information, contact Dana Shapiro (dana@illinihillel.org).
Resources provided by Community Blood Services of Illinois.

Relay For Life

Relay for Life is the American Cancer Societies signature fundraiser. Relay for Life is U of I's largest fundraiser, as we raised over \$250,000 last year to fight cancer. Teams of 8-15 walk the U of I's Track from 7 pm - 7 am on April 18 to show that as cancer doesn't sleep, neither do we. All are welcome for this fun night filled with entertainment, games, and ways to fight back! If you are interesting in participating or helping out, e-mail cacuofi@gmail.com or visit our website at www.relayforlifeuofi.com.

LifeQuest Center in Need of Web Designer

LifeQuest Center is a faith-based non-profit organization that provides education on managing work and life, healthy vs destructive relationships, etc. We have recently changed the name of our organization and added a few new services. We are in desperate need of a new website. A friend of the Center has donated a very nice web page, but we have no expertise at the Center to build it.

Is there a volunteer graduate student in technology who would be up for the challenge of building a spectacular website for us? It would be important that the volunteer share in our values as an organization. You can check out our current website at www.familylifefskills.org to get an idea what we're about. We would like the ability to update our website often, register clients, and receive donations online.

You may contact me with any questions.

Thank you for your consideration:
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