

"It was an unforgettable experience—I gained valuable skills and knowledge not only in terms of research topics and laboratory procedures, but also in terms of how to collaborate and cooperate with others in the workplace."







Program Sponsors

Internships for Undergraduate StudentsFunded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Internships for High School Students in Clinical Research

Funded by the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation (DDCF)

Internships for High School Students in Stem Cell Research

Funded by the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine (CIRM)

Additional Opportunities

Internships for High School and Undergraduate Students in Basic or Clinical Research

Please note there are limited volunteer opportunities available for students who do not meet eligibility requirements

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UCSF Summer Student Research Program



The nine-week Summer Student Research Program pairs talented high school and college students from diverse backgrounds with one-on-one mentorship alongside health care providers and researchers to participate in active biomedical research projects, unique workshops, seminars, trainings, simulations, and networking opportunities.

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Our Mission

Since 1981, UCSF Summer Student
Research Program formerly known as the
Children's Hospital Oakland Research
Institute (CHORI) Summer Student Research
Program has been training high school
and undergraduate students in biomedical
research. Our aim is to diminish the inequality
of opportunities in STEM by offering short
training in research and exposure to careers
in the health sciences.

Our program provides one-on-one mentoring with a practicing scientist in either basic, biomedical, clinical, or behavioral research in a friendly and nurturing environment.

Mentors

Mentors for the program are practicing scientists at one of four locations: MLK Research Building in Oakland, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland, University of California, San Francisco and the University of California, Berkeley.

What We Offer

- Career exposure
- Research training
- One-on-one mentoring
- Clinical shadowing
- Weekly scientific seminars
- Professional development

Seminars by UCSF or other regional health care systems



"This program really allows you to put as much time and heart into a project as you desire, without having to worry about holding a job, studying for classes, or other distractions."

Present research

findings at a one-day research symposium

Eligibility

Students who are passionate about science, come from a disadvantaged background, racial/ethnic minority, or are first in their family to attend college are encouraged to apply. Review FAQ for eligibility criteria at summerstudents.ucsf.edu.



Participate in a research program based on a structured curriculum for nine weeks



How to Apply

Applications can be submitted between December and February and are due in February. For more information, visit our website at summerstudents.ucsf.edu or contact us at ssrp@ucsf.edu.