CTSC Summer Intensive Clinical/Translational Research Fellowship for Medical Students

Description
The CTSC Summer Intensive Clinical/Translational Research Fellowship for Medical Students is an 8-week program that provides medical students with an introduction to basic, translational or clinical research. The program includes a summer research project under the mentorship of a CTSC faculty member, attendance at weekly research seminars in the department that the student is conducting research, completion of a 2-week grant writing course, a poster or oral presentation of the student’s project at the WCMC Medical Student Research Day, and a written work product (see Reporting Requirements below). The student’s participation in this program may be used to fulfill the Advanced Biomedical Sciences (ABS) Experience requirement (http://weill.cornell.edu/education/curriculum/fourth/adv_bio.html).

Duration
The program runs for 8-weeks during the summer between the first and second years of medical school.

Award Amount
The fellowship includes a stipend for the student in the amount of $1500 to cover the costs of the project. Up to 5 fellowships will be awarded.

Eligibility
Students who have completed their first year at Weill Cornell Medical College are eligible to apply. Must be US Citizen, Non-Citizen National, or Permanent Resident. Mentors must be from WCMC or a CTSC Partner Institution (visit http://www.med.cornell.edu/ctsc/ for further info). Note: The CTSC fellowship may be combined with Federal Work Study funds, however, the student may not hold equivalent, concurrent funding support for the designated research project (e.g. federal or non-federal fellowships and awards).

Application Process
To apply for the program, eligible students should first contact a faculty member who has a research project in their field of interest. The student and the faculty mentor should work together to fill out
and submit the application. Applications should be sent to Dr. Brian Lamon at medstudentresearch@med.cornell.edu. The deadline for application is **February 14, 2011.**

The applicant should note that the director of the sponsoring laboratory is responsible for identifying and obtaining all required reviews and approvals prior to initiation of the applicant's participation in research. This includes oversight committee review (e.g., IRB, IACUC, IBC, RSC, ESCRO), permits (e.g., radioactive materials, select agents, controlled substances, import/export), safety or hazard training and/or registration.

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**Selection**
A committee comprised of members of the CTSC administrative staff, WCMC faculty and the WCMC Director of Medical Student Research will review applications. Applications will be assessed with respect to the potential to provide medical students with a meaningful mentored research experience. Funding decisions will be announced by **March 2011.**

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**Reporting Requirements**
A report describing activities and accomplishments during the fellowship is required. The report should be submitted using the Final Report form within two months after the end of the fellowship. The Final Report should be sent to the attention of Dr. Brian Lamon at medstudentresearch@med.cornell.edu.

Additionally, each award recipient is required to present their research as an oral or poster presentation at the WCMC Medical Student Research Day.

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**Further Information**
Any questions about this program should be addressed to:

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