



Summer Scholars Program 2009

Department of Pediatrics
Eastern Virginia Medical School

Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters
Phone (757) 668-7486 • Fax (757) 668-9766

<http://pediatrics.evms.edu> (Click the "Research" portal)



SUMMER SCHOLARS PROGRAM 2009

Directors: Cynthia S. Kelly, M.D. • James F. Paulson, PhD

For rising or graduating college seniors (as of May 2009), and 1st or 2nd year graduate or medical students.
Program Dates: May 27 – July 31, 2009

MENTORED SUMMER RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

The Summer Scholars Program of the Department of Pediatrics of Eastern Virginia Medical School offers a **mentored research program for rising or graduating college seniors, and first- or second-year graduate or medical students** who are exploring potential careers in medical, biomedical, public health, or behavioral research. This 9 ½ -week summer program offers students the **opportunity to conduct a pre-selected research project** from start to finish and present project outcomes to the scientific community. **Formal classroom training and personalized application in research design, implementation, and publication** make this summer experience a must for anyone considering a career in research. Students are also given **opportunities to shadow clinicians, including pediatricians, psychologists and surgeons in various specialty fields of medicine at Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters.**

WHAT TO EXPECT:

As a Summer Scholar, students will conduct their own research project (**pre-selected and designed by our faculty mentors**) under the **direct mentorship of a participating faculty member**. Each of our mentors has a full-time academic appointment in the Department of Pediatrics at Eastern Virginia Medical School. Under the mentor's guidance, students will deliver **two oral presentations**: (1) the project's hypothesis and specific aims during the second week, and (2) research results at the conclusion of the program. Each presentation will be held before a friendly audience of faculty, staff and invited guests. In addition to a hands-on research experience, students will attend **lectures on the basics of research**, and **seminars** where practicing investigators share their own research experiences. Students may elect to attend lectures offered at Eastern Virginia Medical School and Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters, as well as **clinical conferences** within the Department of Pediatrics. **Students will also have an opportunity to shadow clinicians, including physicians, psychologists and surgeons in various pediatric subspecialties at Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters.**

PROGRAM DATES:

Wednesday, May 27 – Friday, July 31, 2009

STIPEND:

\$3,000 – paid in full at orientation on May 27, 2009

APPLICATION DEADLINE AND REQUIREMENTS:

- Completed and signed 2009 Summer Scholars Program Application Form
- Official School Transcript(s)
- Personal statement about your interest in research (one page)
- Letters of Recommendation (**at least two**), one of which must be from one of your professors
- **ALL application materials must IN OUR HANDS BY FEBRUARY 13, 2009. Late and incomplete applications will not be considered. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure we have received all application materials by February 13, 2009.**

NOTIFICATIONS: TIME COMMITMENT:

Students will be notified of their standing by March 27, 2009.

Students must be available full time (at least 40 hours per week) for the entire program. There are usually no program obligations during weekends.

HOUSING:

Students are responsible for finding their own housing, although the program will provide leads for summer rentals within walking and driving distance of the campus.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Summer Scholars Program, Attn: Linda Merhige
Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters
Department of Pediatrics
601 Children's Lane
Norfolk, VA 23507-1971

757-668-7486 • Linda.Merhige@chkd.org



Summer Scholars Program 2009

Department of Pediatrics • Eastern Virginia Medical School • Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters
 Norfolk, Virginia • Phone: (757) 668-7486 • Fax: (757) 668-9766
<http://pediatrics.evms.edu> (Click the "Research" portal)



For rising or graduating college seniors (as of May 2009), and 1st or 2nd year graduate or medical students.

Program Dates: May 27 -- July 31, 2009

2009 Application

Personal Information		Nickname:	
Name	Last Name, First Name Middle Initial (required)		
Current Mailing Address:			
Current Cell Phone #		Other Phone #:	
Preferred Email:		Other Email:	
This address information will be current until what date?			
Parent's name, address, phone #: (or other permanent contact)			
Best way to contact you for a phone interview? (e.g., cell #; back-up phone #)			

Payroll Information			
U.S. Citizen? (Yes/No)		Date of Birth:	Social Security #:
Mailing Address to receive payroll tax forms			

Current Education Level (check one)			
Undergraduate?		Graduate or Medical School?	Other? (specify):

School Information						
High School (Name, City/State):		Year Graduated :				
College/University (Name, City/State):		Current Undergraduate Level: (rising senior; graduating senior)	Major	Current Cum. GPA:	Current Major GPA:	Date (or expected date) of Graduation:
Graduate School (Name, City/State):		Current Graduate Level:	Major:	Current Cum. GPA:	Current Major GPA:	Date (or expected date) of Graduation:
Medical School (Name, City/State):		Current Post Graduate Level:	Expected Date of Graduation:			

Emergency Contact Information		
<small>(Please list names and phone numbers of family members we could contact during the period May 27 – July 31, 2009)</small>		
Name	Relationship	Phone number(s)

Previous Internships or Other Programs (if applicable):

Preferred Area(s) of Research:

1. List all areas of research in which you would like to work (lab, clinical, applied psychology, public health, no preference, or other):

2. In which of these areas of research are you most interested? (If more than one, please list in order of preference.)

Previous Research Experience (if applicable):

Extracurricular Activities:

Application Requirements:

- Completed application form— please type or print neatly
- Official school transcript(s)
- Personal statement explaining your interest in research and your career goals (about one page)
- A minimum of two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from one of your professors
- **Application Deadline:** All application information must be in our hands by February 13, 2009.

Please Note:

- Applications will not be considered complete until all requested information is received at the address listed below. Items may arrive separately. You may submit as many letters of recommendation as you wish. You may also include a copy of your resume or c.v.
- Letters of recommendation and sealed transcripts may be included in your application packet, or mailed directly to us at the address below.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure receipt of all application materials by **February 13, 2009**. Your application will not be reviewed unless all requested information is **IN OUR HANDS by February 13, 2009**. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.
- **All students will be notified of their standing by March 27, 2009.**

Mail all information to:

Summer Scholars Program
Attention: Linda Merhige
Department of Pediatrics
Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters
601 Children's Lane
Norfolk, Virginia 23507-1971

Signature _____

Date _____

Note: Applications and supporting documentation will become property of the Summer Scholars Program and will not be returned to applicants.

If you have questions, or would like more information about the
2009 Summer Scholars Program,
please email Linda.Merhige@chkd.org.