UIC College of Medicine Department of Pediatrics
Summer Scholars Program 2022

The University of Illinois Chicago (UIC) Department of Pediatrics sponsors the Summer Scholars Program in order to enrich the experience of students conducting research in the Department. All students working for Pediatric faculty are invited to participate and all faculty in the Department have the opportunity to participate as mentors. Students are also invited to apply for paid fellowships within the Summer Scholars Program.

**Director:** Jen Sanchez-Flack, PhD

**Eligible Research Mentors:**
All UIC Department of Pediatrics faculty are eligible to be research mentors. A list of active research and the associated faculty can be found:
https://chicago.medicine.uic.edu/departments/academic-departments/pediatrics/research/projects/

Some faculty have specific opportunities for students. Please [click here](https://chicago.medicine.uic.edu/departments/academic-departments/pediatrics/research/projects/) for specific summer research opportunities for students.

**Eligible students:**
Students who wish to be Summer Scholars must meet the following criteria:
- Have established a UIC Department of Pediatrics faculty member as a research mentor. The research mentor must:
  - Supervise the student on a project during the summer months,
  - Ensure participation in the Summer Scholars Program, and
  - Help the student to prepare for Summer Scholars Poster Symposium.

*For help establishing a research mentor, please visit the link with research opportunities for students, linked above.*

- Must be available to attend at least six weeks of the program between June 1 -August 15, 2022.
- Register for the Summer Scholars Program after establishing a research sponsor (see below for instructions and registration form)

**Duration:** 6-8 weeks over the summer of 2022, the exact dates will be set once the UIC College of Medicine schedule is final.

**Summer Scholars Program Outline:**
In addition to the research they do with their mentor, Summer Scholars can participate in the following sessions/workshops:
- **Session 1:** Meet and greet, research careers and planning
- **Session 2:** Research design, translational research
- **Session 3:** Survey design
- **Session 4:** Mixed methods and qualitative research
- **Session 5:** Updating Research Experience on your CV
- **Session 6:** Write your own letter of recommendation.

Optional session: Research implementation and publication
Student presentations

Students will present their work to department faculty mentors and each other.

To Register for the Summer Scholars Program:

After establishing a Pediatric faculty mentor, students must register for the program. There is no cost to register for the program. Please fill-out and submit the Registration Form.

The following information is required when completing registration for the Summer Scholars Program:

- Your name, contact information, campus, and level of training
- Your mentor's name and contact information (email or phone)
- A proposed title for your project

Paid Fellowships

A limited number of Paid Fellowships are available. Students are encouraged to request funding from their mentor and to apply from funding from other sources, such as the Craig Fellowship. Some departmental funds are available as well. The deadline for applications for the Paid Fellowship using departmental funds is March 31st, 2022. For more information see instructions on the website and to apply please click here.

Contact us:

For questions, please contact Pediatric Research Coordinators at pedsresearchcoord@uic.edu or Dr. Jen Sanchez-Flack at jsanch38@uic.edu.