



Distance Learning Center

A revolutionary training paradigm generating new researchers for medicine, science, technology, engineering and math from underrepresented minority populations

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APPLICATION FOR NEW TRAINEES — DEADLINE JANUARY 30TH

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Dear Student:

I am writing to you because you have been identified as an outstanding prospect for a career in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) or medicine, and therefore eligible to apply for one of the training programs in the STEMPREP Project. The STEMPREP Project contains three longitudinal training programs (10-summer continuum) designed to create the next generation of minority STEM degree holders: the Physician Scientist Training Program (PSTP) seeks to produce medical researchers with the M.D./Ph.D dual degree or the M.D. in academic medicine; the Basic Scientist Training Program (BSTP) seeks to produce researchers with the Ph.D. in the basic sciences; the Technology, Engineering & Math Program (TEMP) seeks to produce researchers with the Ph.D. in bioinformatics, bioengineering, or biostatistics. The STEMPREP Project was established in 1990 as a longitudinal vehicle to increase the number of underrepresented minorities in the STEM arena, and the Project's target populations are drawn from the following communities: African-Americans, Mexican-Americans, Native Hawaiians, Native Americans and Mainland Puerto Ricans.

Selection of participants into the STEMPREP Project occurs in the 7th & 8th grades, and is made on the basis of demonstrated academic achievement (A- or better grades), high SSAT scores, motivation, maturity, perceived academic potential and a stated commitment to complete the rigorous internship each summer during the 10-summer regimen.

As a longitudinal effort, STEMPREP trainees begin their training in the 7th grade and must be invited back after a review of each participant's summer internship. If you are interested in being a participant in one of our training programs, we encourage you to scan the website (www.thedistancelearningcenter.org) to download an application, to be linked to the website for the SSAT exam, and to gain a more in-depth description of the STEMPREP Project.

The STEMPREP Project is seeking the academic superboys and supergirls from across the U.S., and will select a small number of applicants for interview from the large number of capable applicants. After the interview, the Admissions Committee will accept at least sixty (60) new 7th graders, but will add only a few 8th graders if there are openings in the existing class. These new participants will join the veteran participants for the start of the summer internship. The STEMPREP Project is residential, which means all participants must live in the dorms for the duration of the summer internship.

If you are serious about a career in Science, Technology, Engineering, Math or Medicine, we look forward to receiving your application to one of our internationally acclaimed longitudinal training programs.

Sincerely,

Moses L. Williams, Ph.D.
Executive Director & Founder



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Check one: BSTP PSTP TEMP

Date: _____

Racial Ethnicity: _____ | Male Female Age: _____

Name: _____
Last First Middle

D.O.B.: _____ | S.S.N. (last four digts only): _____

Permanent Address: _____
Street Apt. #

City, State, Zip Code: _____

Parent/Guardian: Father Mother Guardian

Name: _____

Occupation: _____

State of Residence: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Work Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Ages of your brothers: _____ | Ages of your sisters: _____

Please name family members already in the Physician Scientist Training Program.

School Information

Name of School: _____ Year of Graduation: _____ Grade: _____

What Honors and/or awards did you receive while in school?

In what extracurricular community and/or vocational activities have you participated in while in school? (Include offices held)



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Employment History:

If you have been employed during the regular school year. Specify type of work and hours per week:

Current:

Name of Employer:

Position:

Hrs/wk:

Duties:

Previous of this year

Name of Employer:

Position:

Hrs/wk:

Duties:

Briefly explain how you have spent some of your past summers.

Essay: "My Desire for a Science Career" — Please write your essay (3-4 paragraphs) on a separate sheet of paper (Include name, date, and social security number).

Have you ever applied to the Physician Scientist Training Program? If so, when?

How did you hear about the Physician Scientist Training Program?

I CERTIFY THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IN THIS APPLICATION AND ASSOCIATED MATERIALS IS COMPLETE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

Student Signature:

Date:

Parent Signature:

Date:



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This is your checklist. THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE IN YOUR ENVELOPE. Retain this page for your records.

- Completed Application Form
- SSAT Scores, for information on registration visit www.ssat.org or
- Call 609. 683. 4440. Please register to take SSAT exam before February, if you register after January let our office know in advance. (Or send scores to our office as soon as you receive them at SSAT Program Code 0202)
- Most current grades and official school transcript for the previous 3 years. Have the school send an official transcript to the address below. (Example: if Billy is in the 7th grade, he needs his most current 7th grade report card sent and his transcripts from 6th, 5th and 4th grade).
- Recent passport photo (Please send via email)

SEND ALL INFORMATION TO THE ADDRESS BELOW:

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