About the Amgen Scholars Summer Research Program

The Amgen Scholars Program is a national ten-campus program to increase research opportunities for students committed to pursuing careers in the sciences.

This program provides research experience, enhances participants’ research skills, and increases their competitiveness as candidates for admission to prestigious graduate institutions.

This program also exposes participants to the diversity of research offered at Berkeley and encourages an interdisciplinary approach to science. Scholars are encouraged to pursue a doctoral degree and research careers in the sciences and biotechnology.

Applicants from diverse populations and backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

How To Apply

- Submit an Online Application
- Submit a Statement of Purpose (included in the online application)
- Submit two Letters of Recommendation
- Submit College Transcripts (unofficial transcripts are acceptable)
- Submit your supporting documents by: February 1, 2011
- Application Deadline: February 1, 2011
- 2011 Program Dates: May 30 - August 5

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Eligibility
- Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident (International students are ineligible)
- Undergraduate students enrolled in four-year colleges and universities in the U.S., Puerto Rico, and other U.S. territories
- Sophomores, juniors, and non-graduating seniors (Freshmen are ineligible)
- 3.2 GPA or higher
- Interest in research and the pursuit of a Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D.
- Prior research experience preferred
- No prior participation as an Amgen Scholar

Benefits
- Direct research experience with a UCB faculty member
- $4,000 stipend
- Round trip travel cost
- On-campus housing (room and board)
- Access to UC Berkeley campus facilities
- Participation in the 2011 National Amgen Scholars Program Symposium
- College course credit (transferable UCB research units)

Research Areas
- Biochemistry & Molecular Biology
- Bioengineering
- Biophysics
- Cell & Developmental Biology
- Chemical Biology
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Computational Biology
- Genetics/Genomics & Development
- Immunology
- Integrative Biology
- Microbiology
- Molecular Genetics
- Neurobiology/Neuroscience
- Plant & Microbial Biology
- Structural Biology
- Synthetic Biology (SynBERC)

Requirements
As a 2011 participant, you will be required to:
- Commit to full-time direct participation on a research project(s)
- Attend weekly seminars and/or workshops
- Meet weekly with the graduate student assistant for the program
- Submit preliminary and final abstracts
- Attend the Amgen Scholars National Symposium in July 2011
- Present research findings in poster and oral presentations
- Complete Amgen Foundation and UCB Amgen Program evaluations

Apply Online Beginning November 2010
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