

**RESEARCH TRAINING OPPORTUNITY:
SHORT TERM TRAINING PROGRAM FOR MINORITY STUDENTS**

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VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in conjunction with Meharry Medical College is offering undergraduate students an 8 to 11 week training program in vascular biology. The Short Term Training Program for Minority Students will focus the considerable strengths and diversity of multidisciplinary research at Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and Meharry Medical College, providing a meaningful research experience for minority undergraduates interested in pursuing research training and careers in vascular biology.

Training facilities include the well-equipped research laboratories of Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and Meharry Medical College. The program is designed to teach contemporary research techniques and enhance essential laboratory skills. The large number of scientists participating in this program, affords students the opportunity of placement in a laboratory related to their interests. The laboratory experience will provide detailed coverage of those fundamental basics which are the underpinning of a successful performance in any research laboratory.

Formal teaching sessions are designed to cover material which is highly integrative and coupled to recent research findings and areas of activity. Combining research activities with coursework, students will gain a better grasp of research concepts and improve their critical thinking with regards to the literature and their own studies. During this program students will also participate in Workshops on Ethics in Research and on Opportunities (Careers) in Research. At the end of the training program, the students will present their research to the other students and faculty in the style of a national scientific meeting.

The Short Term Training Program for Minority Students will enable these partnering institutions to expand efforts to identify and recruit underrepresented minorities for graduate programs leading to careers in research. Multidisciplinary research training of future minority research scientists in this area is expected to be critical to discovering the new information that will lead to improved diagnosis, prevention and therapy for cardiovascular disease.

We encourage you to take advantage of this unique opportunity. Send the application along with a cover letter, which identifies your objectives for participation; two letters of recommendation from faculty; and a copy of your undergraduate transcript(s).

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 1 AND SENT TO:

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on-line application may be accessed at:
https://medschool.mc.vanderbilt.edu/short_training/

APPLICATION

SHORT TERM TRAINING PROGRAM FOR MINORITY STUDENTS VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND MEHARRY MEDICAL COLLEGE

Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

College/University _____

Your School Address _____ Phone _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Major _____

Your current grade (circle one):

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

Citizenship: _____

Please note this program is only allowed to accept U.S. Citizens, U.S. Noncitizen Nationals, Permanent Residents of U.S.

The Short Term Training Program is for under-represented minorities as defined by the NIH. Please check the appropriate boxes below.

Racial background:

African-American, Black

Hispanic (or Latino)

American Indian or Alaska Native

Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Signature _____ Date _____

Vanderbilt University School of Medicine and Meharry Medical College do not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin or handicap.

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