



**UCLA Center for Population Health and Health Disparities
2014 Summer Research Training Program
Undergraduate Students- Application Form**

THE PROGRAM

The UCLA Center for Population Health and Health Disparities is one of five centers funded by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI), National Institutes of Health. The UCLA Center works in East Los Angeles, a predominately Latino, urban community with high rates of obesity-related chronic diseases such as heart disease, diabetes, hypertension and stroke. The center has three health projects based in East LA that work towards the common goal of reducing cardiovascular disease risk among community members. Each summer, four dyads comprised of an undergraduate student and a graduate health professions student will be partnered with UCLA CPHHD investigators. Students will receive intensive one-on-one mentoring and will participate in seminars and workshops focused on health disparities research and policy, health professions preparation and training and career development, and they will be expected to write a report and present their work to the CPHHD investigators and at scientific and professional meetings.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Must have finished their first year of full-time coursework at an accredited four year university. If not a UCLA student, must provide proof of full-time student status.
 2. Must be U.S. citizens.
 3. Come from a community that is historically under-represented in the health professions, including individuals from an economically or educationally disadvantaged background
 4. Must have strong interest in health disparities, cardiovascular health, Latino health issues.
 5. Must be willing to work 30-40 hours per week for a 10 to 12 week time period in summer 2014, beginning week of June 23rd through August 30th (or longer term if doing 12 week program).
 6. Willing to work on some evenings and occasional weekend hours depending on project's research needs during active data collection.
 7. Must provide own reliable transportation with valid California license and automobile insurance.
 8. Must be able to drive to various locations in East Los Angeles to participate in the various research projects and meetings.
 9. Bilingual (English/Spanish) skills a plus but not required.
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Application Deadline: Friday April 11, 2014 5:00 P.M.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

1. Minimum grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0
 2. Meet with assigned faculty mentor a minimum of once per week.
 3. Attend CPHHD- weekly sponsored seminar.
 4. Work 30-40 hours per week for 10-12 weeks. Must be available from week of June 24th through August 30th (time duration can be extended if doing 12 week program).
 5. Must be available to attend meetings and activities in East Los Angeles community with community partners. (This requires that you provide your own transportation to and from East Los Angeles)
 6. Must prepare and present scientific poster presentation at end of summer internship (September 23, 2014)
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STIPEND

Students will be paid up to \$4000 for 10-12 weeks of full time work (*stipend will be pro-rated based on hours worked*).

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS

Participants are selected on the basis of statement of goals, aspirations and academic standing. Additional consideration will be given to demonstrated leadership, interest in Latino and health disparity research, cardiovascular research, and work experience.

Applications should be mailed or delivered to:

Professor Michael Prelip,
Director, Training Program
UCLA Center for Population Health and Health Disparities
UCLA Fielding School of Public Health, 26-071A CHS
640 Charles E. Young Drive
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1772

All materials must be received by Friday April 19, 2014. **Incomplete applications and those received after the due date will not be considered.**

Applicant Data:

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Permanent Home
Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email Address _____

Date of Birth _____ Country of Birth _____

Male Female

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Optional: Please indicate your status:

1st generation college

American Indian/Alaskan Native Black/African-American Pacific Islander
 Asian/Southeast Asian Hispanic/Latino Caucasian
 East Indian/Pakistani Middle Eastern Other

Do you have documented disabilities? Yes No Specify _____

College Information:

Institution attending: _____ **UCLA ID:** _____

Major or course of study _____ Expected Graduation Date: Month _____ Year _____

Current G.P.A.: (overall) _____ G.P.A. in Major: _____

Note: If you are NOT a UCLA student you must provide proof of full-time student status.

Complete both essays #1 and #2

Each essay must be no more than one page, single-spaced, 12-point font with 1 inch margins all around.

Essay #1: Please describe your educational and career objectives. How does the Health Disparities Training Program fit into your overall educational and career objectives? How will the summer training program help you reach your educational and career objectives?

Essay #2: Please describe work, research, academic courses you have taken or activities you have sought that would be helpful in this training program.

Agreement

I hereby attest that I have personally filled in this application form and the information contained within is complete and accurate to my knowledge. I understand that participation in this program is subject to successful submission of all required documents, an in-person interview, and successfully passing the CITI Human Subjects training. I further understand that if I am accepted into this program I commit to the following (**Please initial each statement below**):

- ____ Attend all CPHHD sponsored weekly seminars and activities (Beginning Summer 2014)
- ____ Complete the required UCLA Human Subjects Training Program (no later than 2nd week of training program)
- ____ Work 30-40 hours per week for 10-12 weeks during this summer.
- ____ Participate as requested in UCLA Center for Population Health and Health Disparities (CPHHD) research or community activities on the project to which I am assigned or on any of the Center's three projects, research methods core, or training core.
- ____ Work on one community based event or data collection effort with local agency in East LA (40 hours)- a approved by my Project PI
- ____ Prepare and present a scientific poster presentation on work conducted during this internship.
- ____ Work on one community based event or data collection effort with local agency in East LA (40 hours)- approved by my Project PI

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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HOW DID YOU LEARN ABOUT THIS TRAINING PROGRAM?

- Professor (Specify: _____)
- Another Student
- From a class presentation (Specify: _____)
- Other (Specify: _____)

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Please submit the following items to ensure that your application is complete and can be processed for admission.

- Application
- Resumé
- Academic Transcript
- Non-UCLA Students: Proof of full time student status

- Essay #1
- Essay #2

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