Program Eligibility

We seek students who are interested in pursuing a career in academic medicine and meet the following criteria:

- Member of an underrepresented minority group (African-American, Alaskan/Hawaiian Native, Hispanic, or Native American)
- US citizen or non-citizen national with a permanent residence visa
- Undergraduate junior or senior, or first-year medical student



Program Support

BWH STARS provides the following essentials for the summer:

- Transportation to and from Boston
- Housing for 8-week period
- Living stipend for food and other necessities

Important Dates

Application Available Online: November 1, 2010

Application Deadline: January 28, 2011

Decisions Announced (tentative): February 21, 2011

Program Starts (tentative): June 13, 2011

Program Ends (tentative): August 4, 2011



APPLY ONLINE AT: www.brighamandwomens.org/cfdd/omc/stars.aspx For more information contact:

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PROGRAM



June 13 - August 4, 2011

In Pursuit of Research Excellence





Program Objectives

- To provide underrepresented minority (URM) medical and undergraduate students an opportunity to engage in exciting basic clinical and translational research projects during the summer at Brigham and Women's Hospital (BWH)
- To enhance the research capabilities of URM medical and undergraduate students
- To encourage these scholars to pursue advanced medical and graduate education and training at BWH and HMS

The focus of activity during the summer is participation in a basic science research project. Students are assigned a faculty mentor who works closely with the student to ensure completion of a project over the 8-week summer period.



Program Activities

- Professional, educational, and cultural programs
- Social networking opportunities
- Roundtables with BWH faculty and the Office for Multicultural Faculty Careers
- Optional community health center and/or clinical shadowing experiences



<u>Boston</u>

Boston is a wonderful city with a great deal to offer summer students. We strive to make sure you enjoy your experiences outside of the lab by arranging many group activities that often include:

- Tours of the historic city of Boston
- Program BBQ
- Trip to the Boston Harbor Islands



Student Reflection

"It was this program, not 1+ years of intracollegiate research, that affirmed my ultimate goal of pursuing an M.D./Ph.D. I was put into an entirely new area of research that ended up becoming a new passion for me; Immersed in personal discussions with some of the most successful researchers in the US."

"My lab experience was phenomenal. I learned a great deal and will have two papers published."

"Everyone was nice, helpful, and encouraging. This was a vital part of feeling welcomed and at home at BWH and HMS."

"I think every speaker gave us different perspectives and showed us that there is not only one way to become a great physician. Their life experiences really motivated me and convinced me to follow my path towards medicine."