

September 16th, 2010

Dear Academic Counselor,

The **Center for Reproductive Medicine** at Cleveland Clinic has an exciting summer internship opportunity for highly motivated, academically oriented medical or undergraduate students interested in a career in medicine.

The *Center for Reproductive Medicine* is a joint research program of the Cleveland Clinic Glickman Urological & Kidney Institute and the Ob/Gyn & Women's Health Institute. Our Center is rated as a leading center of excellence at the world-class **Cleveland Clinic**, which is recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as one of the nation's best hospitals, ranked as No. 4 in the country.

The Center's summer internship offers an opportunity for students interested in gaining a research experience in human fertility and reproductive biology and the opportunity to working with world-renowned scientists and researchers. Members of our staff publish frequently in our field's most respected journals, are invited guest speakers at important scientific/ medical meetings and courses around the world and are active in the leading professional societies in the exciting field of human reproductive medicine.

Our environment of academic and clinical collaboration offers an unsurpassed experience for students that include:

- Experiencing a state-of-the-art research environment
- Training in the art and science of conducting basic and clinical research
- Mentoring by renowned researchers at a world-class medical institution
- Developing a solid foundation for a research or clinical track career in medicine

The program's goal is to encourage students to consider a career in medicine, whether in the reproductive sciences or another specialty of their choosing. To this end, we have designed the summer internship to offer students a wide range of high quality experiences. During this eight-week program, participants will:

- Work alongside reproductive scientists and clinicians on interesting research projects in a real laboratory setting
- Interact with reproductive endocrinologists, gynecologists, male infertility specialists and urologists and observe them in clinics or surgery
- Participate in the writing of research articles, systematic reviews and/ or invited book chapters in the field of reproductive endocrinology, assisted reproduction and/ or male & female infertility
- Participate in daily lectures, research meetings and group discussions.

Students will develop an understanding of how reproductive research is conducted. Participants will also learn how to:

- Present research results in departmental meetings
- Prepare and presenting PowerPoint talks at research conferences
- Perform various data compilation and analysis techniques
- Hone their public speaking skills

We invited 20 students to participate in our program in the summer of 2009. Please visit:

http://www.clevelandclinic.org/reproductiveresearchcenter/info/traininfo_int.html to view the internship course syllabus from 2009, browse through scientific presentation given by interns, review firsthand accounts of their experience and view pictures of the interns' scientific presentation and reception.

Research work conducted during the internship may qualify for undergraduate course credit(s). Interested participants should check with their academic advisers.

Who can Apply: Undergraduate, graduate, medical students and residents.

Application and Selection:

Our selection procedure for summer internship positions is highly competitive. Interested applicants should submit the following:

1. Recent curriculum vitae/resume
2. At least two recent letters of recommendation from advisors, teachers, or persons who have a firsthand knowledge of the candidate
3. Address and telephone number for a personal interview
4. A 500-word personal statement
5. Proof of medical insurance
6. A letter stating that the participant has the necessary funding to support him/herself for the during the 8-week program (the internship is unfunded and no financial support is available.)
7. An application processing fee of USD 100.00 in the form of a money order or certified bank check only - payable to "2010 Internship in Reproductive Medicine". This fee is nonrefundable.
8. A nonrefundable course fee of USD 1500.00: This fee may be submitted as a money order or certified bank check (no personal checks) made payable to "2010 Internship in Reproductive Medicine"

The application should be submitted to:

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Application Deadline: March 1, 2010

Internship Dates: June 7th - July 30th, 2010

Over the past 16 years we have trained more than 200 medical students, physicians, scientists and biologists from all over the world. Additional information and details about the internship program and other opportunities can be found on our website: <http://www.clevelandclinic.org/reproductiveresearchcenter/>

Sincerely,

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