I would like to make you aware on an exciting opportunity for your undergraduate students – The Oregon Health & Science University Summer Equity Internship Program. This program provides an opportunity to outstanding undergraduates interested in biomedical sciences, medicine, nursing, dentistry, physician assistant or public health.

Oregon Health & Science University is a nationally prominent research university and Oregon’s only public academic health center. As a world-class teaching hospital and research center, OHSU draws in students, scientists and patients from across the country and around the globe. OHSU brings together patient care, research, education of the next generation of health care providers and scientists and community service to improve the health and well-being of all Oregonians.

At OHSU, Equity interns learn new research skills and gain hands-on laboratory and clinical experiences. They attend weekly seminars with fellow interns and faculty and scientists mentors. They are expected to produce a scientific poster and make a presentation of their summer research project. Shadowing and clinical experience is available for interns in the M.D. track. All participants will receive ongoing mentoring and advising regarding their individual career pathway.

This eight-week program is scheduled for June 15 – August 7, 2015. Students will receive a stipend, free housing, and local (TriMet) bus pass but will be responsible for their own meals, travel to and from Portland, Oregon, and other personal expenses. Applications must be submitted online and the deadline is February 9, 2015.

To be considered for the Equity Program, students must have completed at least one full year of college coursework, have taken at least one basic science with a lab setting (e.g. biology, chemistry, neuroscience, biopsychology), a mathematics course. The program is committed to supporting students from an underrepresented minority
community. Underrepresented students belong to groups that are recognized as historically underrepresented in the health and science professions including: African-American/Black, Native American/Alaskan Native, Pacific Islander and Hispanics/Latinos.

Students who have experienced social or economic disadvantages are also encouraged to apply. Economically disadvantaged students are defined as individuals who come from a "low-income family," using low-income levels specified by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as a guideline. Socially disadvantaged students come from an environment that may inhibit them from obtaining knowledge, skills or abilities required to enroll and successfully complete an undergraduate or graduate course of study that could lead to a career in the health sciences. This category includes, but is not restricted to, students whose parents did not attend or complete college.

Learn more about the program at [www.ohsu.edu/equity-research](http://www.ohsu.edu/equity-research). We also invite you to view this video showcasing our former interns: [https://vimeo.com/111886102](https://vimeo.com/111886102)

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about OHSU’s Equity internship.

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