

Summer Fellowship Instructions

The IES Brain Research Foundation Summer Fellowships are for outstanding, bright, motivated undergraduate and first year graduate or medical students, who are in the process of deciding if neuroscience research might be part of their career plans. The fellowships provide the opportunity to work with & be trained by an established, experienced scientist in the field of brain research.

Applicants must arrange training with and be accepted by an outstanding, experienced faculty sponsor, who is the head of a first rate laboratory at: a university, medical school or research institute in the United States. Contact outstanding, accomplished neuroscientists that you have read about, learned about, met and who you would love to work with and ask if he/she would train you should you be selected.

IES Brain Research Foundation Summer Fellows will receive a stipend of \$2500 and are expected to spend 9-10 weeks (full time) being trained during the summer.

Six neatly collated packets, including copies of everything requested of you and your faculty sponsor must be mailed in one package and postmarked by March 20th to be considered by the scientific committee.

The IES Brain Research Foundation will select the applicants who will receive a fellowship and the applicants will be notified by email by April 30th.

Note: Incomplete or illegible application packets will not be considered.

As a Foundation Fellow you will be expected to:

- 1) receive research training and perform research for 9-10 weeks full time with your mentor/faculty sponsor. Your mentor will be working closely with you and will be available for questions and guidance
- 2) submit a written report of your research experience, and photos of you and your faculty sponsor (in the lab, in the office, etc.) by Sept. 15th. The report, which will be read by the Scientific Committee, should be about 2-3 pages long and should summarize your research accomplishments, what you have learned, as well how this experience has impacted your career plans. The report and photos should be submitted by mail as well as electronically.
- 3) say a few words (1-2 minutes) at a an IES Brain Research Foundation event about your research experience. It should include a short summary (in lay friendly terms) of your project and the field it could impact, plus how the summer experience may affect your career plans. Your faculty sponsor will hopefully also speak at an event
- 4) A written script from you, and your faculty sponsor (of number 3), must also be submitted by mail and email, in advance, by Sept.15th. Note: A video on CD or flash drive of you and your faculty sponsor speaking, must be MAILED along with the scripts. These scripts should be what you and your faculty sponsor would tell a lay audience about the summer project and experience (1-2 minutes).
- 4) Acknowledge the Foundation as a source of funding in publications arising from your summer research and send us a copy of each.

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