

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Pediatric Center of Excellence in Nephrology (CHOP PCEN) is pleased to request applications for our **2021 Summer Research Scholars Program**. This program aims to inspire future leaders in pediatric kidney disease research by engaging students in meaningful research and clinical experiences in pediatric nephrology.

The program is open to undergraduate, post-graduate, or medical students*. Start and end dates are flexible as academic schedules may vary for each student; however, an **8 week commitment** is required. Students will work with a mentor on a **research project**, and will have opportunities for **didactic training** and **clinical shadowing** in nephrology. Students will also attend seminars about research and careers in medicine, and will take one or more courses on epidemiology or data science.

Students will receive a \$4 000 stipend. Please note: Housing is not provided as a part of the program.

The program structure includes:

1) Practical research training and mentorship

- a. Responsible Conduct of Research training (including, as applicable to the research project: human subjects research, animal care and use in research, laboratory safety)
- b. Full-time research experience on a clinical, translational, or basic science project under the mentorship of a PCEN investigator
- c. Weekly meetings with PCEN faculty mentor
- d. Preparation of an abstract and/or manuscript, as appropriate
- e. Oral presentation of research findings to the Division of Nephrology at the end of the program

2) Didactic training

- a. Participation in Nephrology Fellow's Core Curriculum weekly lecture series – provides exposure to core clinical nephrology topics and opportunities to interact with nephrology fellows
- b. Research Seminars: students will attend weekly seminars or lab meetings as appropriate based on their research project and mentor

3) Clinical shadowing in nephrology

- a. Observe nephrology clinic once per week
- b. Attend inpatient rounds once per week

Eligibility:

*Must be currently enrolled in or recently graduated from an accredited college or university. Must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents.

COVID-19 NOTE: *The program may be offered in-person, hybrid, or fully virtual based on coronavirus-related restrictions in summer 2021.* Most clinical research projects can be offered as hybrid or virtual, but most basic science and translational research projects will only be possible if in-person student activities are permitted. Classes and seminars are all available virtually, and some clinical shadowing is possible using telehealth or video conferencing.

How to apply

Please complete the online application: [PCEN Summer Research Scholars Program Application](#)

Complete applications must be received by 11:59pm (ET) on **Friday, January 29th, 2021.**

A faculty recommendation letter must be received by 11:59pm (ET) on **Friday, February 5th, 2021.**

Applicants who are selected for interviews will be notified by mid-March.

Questions?

For more information, please visit our website: [PCEN Enrichment Program](#) or contact the program coordinator, Christina Nimely (nimelyc@email.chop.edu) or the program director Dr. Erum Hartung (hartunge@email.chop.edu).