

## **Dougherty Laser Vision Clinical Research Internship**

Dougherty Laser Vision Clinical Research Internship gives undergraduate students earning a four-year degree the opportunity to participate in both research and clinical patient care at a laser vision center. This program is designed for students who are interested in a career in medicine and research. Participants will assist in completing a research study under the directorship of a research mentor and also directly observe clinical patient care while spending time with ophthalmologists and optometrists.

### **Program**

- Students will be able to shadow ophthalmologists and optometrists specializing in vision surgery.
- Students will be assigned a research mentor and project by the Clinical Research Director. The director will try to place each participant with a mentor in an area of his/her interest as is available.
- Students will attend weekly seminars to discuss various topics, including the various kinds of laser vision correction, the art of eye examination, reading corneal topography maps, IOL (intraocular lens) options, latest updates in ophthalmology, and health professional school admissions and advice.
- Program participants will be required to attend on-site orientation prior to beginning their research and clinical experiences.
- Program participants will be required to present their research at the conclusion of the program.

### **Benefits**

The program provides will not provide housing or a stipend. The program does not provide support for travel or meals. However, this program will give you outstanding clinical research experience in ophthalmology and may conclude in a publication.

### **Eligibility**

- The program is limited to U.S. citizens (or persons having U.S. Permanent Resident status) earning a four-year undergraduate degree at an accredited US college or university.
- Applying students must be a college undergraduate during the summer of the program year.
- Applying students must have a cumulative GPA of 3.4 or greater on a 4.0 scale.
- Preference is given to candidates with prior research experience and who have taken advanced science courses.
- Applying students should have a strong desire to pursue an M.D. degree, O.D. degree or a combined M.D./Ph.D. degree.
- Online application deadline is JUNE 15TH.

## Application

If you have further questions, please contact the office of this program directly.

For the Summer 2017 application, the following items will be required to complete an application for the Dougherty Laser Vision Clinical Research Internship:

- Online application [HERE](#)
- Most recent unofficial undergraduate transcript
- 1-2 Letters of Recommendations (not required, but highly recommended)

## Contact

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