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**Continuing Umbrella of Research Experiences (CURE)**
UC San Diego freshmen, sophomores, and incoming community college transfer students to UC San Diego are eligible to apply to this summer Science Enrichment Education Program.

**Creating Scientists to Address Cancer Disparities (CSP)**
Only incoming community college transfer students who have accepted the offer to transfer to either UC San Diego or SDSU are eligible to apply to this summer Science Enrichment Education Program.

Eligible students must meet at least one of the following criteria:
1) Be a student from an underrepresented community (African American, Native American/Alaska Native, Hispanic American, or Pacific Islander (e.g., Native Hawaiian, Tongan, Samoan, Guamanian). The Federal government does not include people of Filipino descent within the category of Pacific Islander.
2) Be from a socioeconomically disadvantaged/low-income background (e.g., participated in the National School Lunch Program); and/or
3) Be the child of parents/guardians who did not graduate from a 4-year university in the United States.

How do I know if I am considered socioeconomically disadvantaged/low-income?
Having been on the National School Lunch Program as a child is one of the simplest ways to demonstrate that you have been in a socioeconomically-disadvantaged/low-income situation.

Can I enroll in a summer college course, work full time, take a vacation, or take part in a different summer program while in one of these two programs?
Our summer program is a full-time commitment: 40hrs/week from Monday-Friday from 9am-5:30pm for 8-weeks. Accepted students are expected to participate in all aspects of our programs, therefore you may NOT make any other commitments that may interfere with your commitment to our programs' schedule.

The only exception would be an orientation session that is required for newly admitted students.

When is the deadline to apply?
Applications from incoming SDSU community college transfer students must be received via hard copy or email by May 21, 2017 (Midnight PST) to be guaranteed a review.
Applications from incoming UC San Diego community college transfer students or currently enrolled UC San Diego students must be received via hard copy or email by May 21, 2017 (Midnight PST) to be guaranteed a review.

However, we will accept applications until all spots in the programs have been filled prior to the start of the programs on June 26, 2017.

What are the 2017 programs’ dates?
The Science Enrichment Education Programs will both run from June 26, 2017 to August 18, 2017. This 8-week summer internship is a full-time commitment: 40 hours/week Monday-Friday. Participants are expected to participate in all aspects of each full day’s program.

When and how will I be notified if I am accepted?
We anticipate that we will email our acceptance letters around June 5th. We will also call those students to respond to any questions they might have about the programs. Admitted students must formally respond to our offer of admission within two days via phone (858-534-7611) or email (summerscienceprogram@ucsd.edu).

A second group of applicants will receive emails telling them that they are waitlisted for the program.

I am under 18 years-old, can I participate in the programs?
Accepted students younger than 18 years of age can participate in our summer programs, but must have their parent or guardian sign the consent document. If you will not be 18 years old by June 26, 2017, please email us to request the parental permission document and adolescent assent document.

Is housing provided during the summer programs?
Unfortunately, our program does not have the financial capacity to provide housing. Please see the “Housing Information” for UC San Diego or SDSU provided on this website for housing options on- and off-campus.

How are the students paid?
Students will be given a stipend of $3,200 ($400/week).

My older sibling graduated from a 4-year U.S. university, am I still considered a first-generation college student?
You are considered a first-generation college student when neither of your parents/guardians have graduated from a four-year University in the United States.