



SCIENCE EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

For Students Interested in Summer Internships/Research Opportunities

Begin your search for a summer internship at these two websites:

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/outreach/find-k12.cfm>

<http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/outreach/find-highered.cfm>

If you are interested in any of the programs listed there, please visit that program website or contact the individual listed for a complete description, including application due dates and requirements. We recommend that you talk with a teacher or counselor about these programs before applying, then contact the program manager listed.

Please note, opportunities in clinical/hospital areas are very difficult to obtain due to privacy and space constraints. We cannot guarantee that an internship opportunity will be available.

If none of these programs work for you, we encourage you to explore possible research opportunities on your own by following the steps below.

1. Visit the OHSU website at www.ohsu.edu to identify two – three specific areas of great interest to you (a department, research program, specific lab, or specific scientist).
2. Prepare an electronic resumé in Word format. The resumé should include your academic achievements (especially science and mathematics coursework), GPA, any research or scientific experience, and your academic and career goals.
3. Define your availability as specifically as possible, including start and end dates and days/hours you are available during the week. Determine whether or not you must have a paid position. While some paid positions may be available, please note that most internships are not paid.
4. The Office of Science Education Opportunities (SEO), scied@ohsu.edu, can provide you with the contact information for those individuals or departments. You should then contact the department directly to begin a dialogue. Send the department your resumé, availability and a description of what you would like to do and when. Ask for an interview, by phone or in person, and let the scientist know that you will follow up in one week.
5. If you have not been contacted by anyone one week later, follow up with a call or email confirming that your materials were received. Please notify SEO, scied@ohsu.edu, of your progress.

If you are offered a summer internship/research opportunity, you will need to fill out additional paperwork and complete training required by your hosting department before you may begin your experience.