Oregon National Primate Research Center

Science Ambassadors

(For high school students and 5th graders.)

This program provides opportunities for high school students to learn about cutting-edge science while developing their leadership skills. High school students meet weekly throughout the school year. They learn about science from Primate Center researchers, and develop and implement hands-on activities relating to important science concepts to share with the 5th grader "mentees" who join the group twice a month. Information and applications can be accessed at www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/onprc/public-education/students/science-ambassadors.cfm

ONPRC Docents

(Participants must be 18 years of age or older.)

The word "docent" means "to teach." ONPRC Docents lead tours of the Primate Center, pointing out areas of interest, answering questions and generally serving as a link between the Center and the public. To learn more or to download an application, visit www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/onprc/public-outreach/docent-program.cfm

Summer High School Student Apprenticeship Program

Scientists at the ONPRC serve as mentors to high school students through Saturday Academy's Apprenticeships in Science and Engineering program (ASE). Phase one of the application is due in January and Phase two is due at the end of February each year. For more information, or to download an application, visit www.saturdayacademy. org/ASE/tabid/56/Default.aspx

Summer Undergraduate Fellowship Program

Scientists at the ONPRC welcome undergraduate students from across the country and beyond who successfully complete a rigorous application process. Students must be entering their junior or senior years of college, and may apply to work under Primate Center mentor scientists for either 8 or 10 week periods. Applications are due at the beginning of February each year. For more information or to download an application, visit www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/onprc/public-education/undergraduate.cfm

Summer Teacher Internship Programs

Scientists at the Oregon National Primate Research Center (ONPRC) serve as mentors to high school teachers through participation in the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust's Partners-in-Science program. Intent to apply notifications are due in late October and grant applications are due to the Murdock Trust on December 1st of each year. For more information contact Diana Gordon at gordondi@ohsu.edu or 503 690-5201.

Public Tours

(Please allow 1.5 to 2 hours for all tours.)

The ONPRC welcomes elementary and middle school students aged 10 and older; high school groups; students from colleges/universities; civic groups and other organizations; and member of the general public on tours that are designed for the special needs of each group in mind. Depending on group size and interest, tours may feature an interactive presentation about science methods, a presentation about current center research projects, a visit to the outdoor corrals to observe the Center's rhesus and Japanese macaque breeding colonies, a presentation by a Center scientist and or/tours of selected labs.



All tours are free of change, and provide an opportunity to learn more about the role of nonhuman primates in biomedical research and to observe nonhuman primate behavior.

Speakers Bureau

The ONPRC can provide speakers on a variety of topics, including caring for laboratory animals; how aging affects the brain, reproductive system and immune system; contraception and fertility issues; obesity and metabolic disease; careers in biomedical research; addiction; embryonic stem cells; ethical issues associated with animal research and/or embryonic stem cell research; and the effects of stress on the body. For a complete list of topics/speakers, visit www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/onprc/public-outreach/speakers-bureau.cfm

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