

Summer Equity Internship Program



Spend eight weeks at OHSU working with faculty, scientists, and graduate students as part of the Summer Equity Internship Program. Past internship tracks include: Biomedical Sciences, Medicine, Dental, Health Systems and Policy, Nursing, and Public Health.

Program dates
June 18 - Aug 7, 2020

Application deadline
December 20, 2019

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<https://www.ohsu.edu/center-for-diversity-inclusion/equity-research-program>

Gain hands-on experience

Program offerings

- Paid internship with a mentor in an OHSU laboratory, clinical setting or community setting
- Opportunities for clinical shadowing and observation
- Weekly professional development seminars
- A poster presentation of your research project

Who should apply

- Undergraduate students (first bachelor's degree) from diverse, underserved, underrepresented, economically or socially disadvantaged backgrounds
- Students who completed at least one full year of college coursework
- Housing is available for selected interns who live outside the Portland metro area during the internship



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6 Tracks

Biomedical Sciences: Biomedical research at OHSU spans a variety of medical fields - from basic research to pre-clinical experimentation and direct medical application. Researchers at OHSU investigate molecular disease mechanisms, diagnostic approaches and biomarkers, pharmacological interventions and novel drug design, and therapies such as stem-cell therapy. What sets OHSU apart from other institutions is the array of multidisciplinary and collaborative approaches our researchers take to solving the most intractable problems in human health, including diseases of the central nervous system, cardiovascular-related research, cancer, rare

Partners in Biomedical Sciences track: Portland Alcohol Research Center, Oregon Hearing and Research Center, Knight Cancer Institute's Cancer Early Detection Advanced Research Center

Health Systems and Policy (Center for Health Systems Effectiveness): How can the healthcare system deliver the best care to all patients? How do socioeconomic factors, organizational practices, and methods of payment change the quality and cost of healthcare? The Center for Health Systems Effectiveness at OHSU investigates these and other questions in the field of Health Services Delivery Research. Our team of health economists, statisticians, and public health professionals partner with clinician researchers, state government, and hospitals to generate evidence that informs healthcare policy decisions. Our research spans a variety of topic areas such as opioid prescribing policy, racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic disparities in access and quality of care, as well as the integration of physical, dental, and behavioral healthcare services. This track is ideal for students with an interest in health services delivery, population health or data analytics.

School of Dentistry: OHSU School of Dentistry encourages and supports research concerning dental disease, clinical techniques, oral biology, and basic biomedical research. More than twenty principal investigators and numerous technical staff pursue a wide variety of projects, ranging in scope from the basic mechanisms of diseases to evidenced-based dental treatment.

School of Medicine: Our faculty is dedicated to preparing physicians, scientists and health care professionals for the responsibilities of their calling, while providing outstanding care to patients. The OHSU School of Medicine faculty is recognized nationally and internationally for the pursuit of new knowledge in a breadth of investigative areas ranging from molecular biology and cancer to heart disease, behavioral science and issues of public health. Students will be assigned to a translation biomedical research lab and a clinical (M.D.) mentor.

School of Nursing: OHSU School of Nursing has been long known for its stellar clinical research programs in such areas as cancer, cardiac, and palliative care, as well as in symptom management and care-giving for families and the elderly. Faculty research clusters in several crucial scientific areas: integrative bio-behavioral research, health equity research, implementation science research, and transformational learning research.

School of Public Health: The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine is devoted to high quality, relevant, and timely public health-related research. As declared in the Department's Core Values, our mission to the public is based on the World Health Organization definition of health: complete physical, mental, and social well-being, not merely the absence of disease and infirmity. The Department of Public Health and Preventive Medicine comprise three divisions: Epidemiology, Health Services Research, and Biostatistics. Each division conducts field-specific research but also provides support for one another and for other departments within OHSU.