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AdvaMed 2015: *The MedTech Conference* in partnership with medical technology industry sponsors will host a training session for the 2015-2016

Scientist Mentoring & Diversity Program for MedTech (SMDP MedTech)

October 3-7, 2015 in San Diego, CA

What is SMDP MedTech?

The one year career mentoring program pairs ethnically diverse postbaccalaureate and graduate students with mentors who work at medical device and diagnostic companies.

With their mentors, Scholars attend a 5-day training session to learn about career opportunities in the medtech industry and receive career development coaching. They also attend AdvaMed 2015: *The MedTech Conference*.

Who may apply?

The year-long career mentoring program benefits postbaccalaureate and graduate students with ethnicities underrepresented in the medtech workforce, including Hispanic Americans, Pacific Islanders, African Americans and Native Americans. See the Degrees most sought after in medtech: www.smdpmedtech.org

“ I appreciate all the hard work you and countless others put into the program so students can succeed ”

What are the benefits to Scholars?

- A 5-day career training experience that pairs SMDP MedTech Scholars with industry mentors from medical technology companies
- One year of personalized career mentoring and guidance from an industry mentor
- The opportunity to meet and network with medtech industry mentors and other SMDP MedTech Scholars
- Conference accommodations, meals, complementary registration for the SMDP MedTech training session
- Registration for AdvaMed 2015: *the MedTech Conference*
- Up to \$350 in travel cost reimbursements
- A personalized profile on the Mentoring Portal
- Ongoing networking and career opportunities

“ This was life changing, with respect to defining my career path and knowing what possibilities exist ”

How are Scholars selected?

A selection committee of representatives from the medtech industry carries out student selection evaluating applicants based on predetermined criteria.

The committee's recommendations are compiled and a summary report is used to determine the final selection of participants.

How do I apply?

- Complete the online SMDP MedTech application form by August 20, 2015, see www.smdpmedtech.org
- Submit your resume and two recommendation letters: one from an instructor in your degree program and one from your faculty advisor or a suitable substitute.
- Submit a 2-page personal narrative describing how you think SMDP MedTech will enhance your education and professional development. Also include your long-term career goals, academic goals, and your scientific or research focus. Lastly, discuss how an industry mentor will impact your career and what you expect to gain.

When will I be notified?

We will send you an email notifying you of your selection status by September 1, 2015.

What is a Personalized Mentoring Plan?

The personalized mentoring plan includes goals and action items designed to prepare Scholars for careers in the medical technology industry.

Mentor-mentee teams carry out the mentoring plans for a year following the training session. They communicate monthly by phone, email and virtually, aided by ICPD staff and the SMDP Mentoring Portal, a web-based tool that supports mentor-mentee collaboration and communication.



Learn more: www.smdpmedtech.org