# SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH INSTITUTION for the STUDY OF KIDNEY DISEASE (SURISKD)

# **OBJECTIVE**

To provide an intensive research training experience that leads to an understanding of the planning, discipline, and teamwork involved in the pursuit of basic answers to current questions in kidney-related research. Topics of research will range from embryonic development and physiology to kidney cancer and imaging. Fellows will pursue individual research projects under the direction of a member of the graduate school faculty. Lectures, journal clubs and seminars by faculty members will supplement the research experience. Fellows will present their accomplishments at a Summer Student Research Program meeting hosted by the National Institute of Health, National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

Applicants must be enrolled in a science degree program at the undergraduate level and have completed the sophomore year. Criteria used in selecting fellowship recipients will include college grades, relevant experience, and letters of recommendation from faculty who can assess the applicant's potential for advanced training and success in research that integrates quantitative and biomedical science.

### SALARY AND TENURE

Each fellowship award carries with it a \$4,000 salary for the 10-week period beginning **June 1, 2015** through **August 7, 2015**. This support is taxable and is the mechanism used by the university to pay SURISKD students for their training. If a fellow requires housing, the costs will be covered by the program; however, fellows are responsible for paying for their own travel expenses and will not be reimbursed by the SURISKD Program. Complete details about the SURISKD program can be found at <a href="https://www.utsouthwestern.edu/SURISKD">www.utsouthwestern.edu/SURISKD</a>.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

The SURISKD application is available on-line at <a href="www.utsouthwestern.edu/SURISKD/SURISKDAPP">www.utsouthwestern.edu/SURISKD/SURISKDAPP</a>. Completed applications should be **submitted by February 9, 2015**. In addition to submitting an on-line application including uploaded transcripts, your reference letters must be received **by February 9, 2015**.

# FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Contact Vanessa A. Powell, SURISKD Administrator, Southwestern Graduate School, The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, 5323 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, TX 75390-9004, (214) 648-0720, SURISKD@utsouthwestern.edu.

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