

The Summer Training as Research Scholars (STaRS) Program is a summer internship sponsored by Boston University's Division of Graduate Medical Sciences (GMS), a recognized leader in graduate education and research. STaRS is a dynamic and focused program that is designed specifically for the enhancement of skills required for successful entrance and completion of a graduate program or an MD/PhD program in the biomedical sciences. STaRS offers motivated and academically talented students a valuable opportunity to confirm a strong interest in doctoral studies particularly in the areas of heart, lung and blood research.

## **Program Highlights**

**Conduct:** Research for 10-12 weeks in a biomedical research laboratory at the medical school

**Develop:** An independent research project and present to your peers.

**Engage:** In activities within the research community such as:

- Weekly science talks
- Career discussions
- Journal Club
- Field trips
- Professional Development
- Seminars

**Prepare:** For national conferences such ABRCMS & SACNAS with the opportunity for travel awards.

**Participate:** in social activities in and around Boston University.

## **Research Opportunities**

Research is offered in centers such as the Whitaker Cardiovascular Center, Regenerative Medicine, Pulmonary, and Diabetes focused on areas of:

#### Heart

- Myocardial Remodeling
- Atherosclerosis
- Blood and Vascular Pathologies
- Hypertension & Heart Failure

#### Lung

- Asthma
- Acute Lung Injury (pneumonia)
- Cancer
- IPS Cells for Lung Development & Therapeutics

#### **Blood**

- Sickle Cell
- Hematopoietic Stem Cells
- Hematopoiesis

# STaRS Admissions

Opens October 15, 2014

bumc.bu.edu/gms/admissions/stars

### Closes February 15, 2015

The free online application should include the following:

- 1. A personal statement describing any research experience and why you are interested in STaRS, in no more than 500 words.
- 2. Unofficial transcript as an attachment.
- 3. Names of two recommenders and contact information.



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