**Overview**

The 2014 *Spring/Summer Opportunity for Achievement in Research-Minority Health and Health Disparities (SOAR-MHHD) and Health (SOAR-Health) Research Internships* are aimed at engaging, recruiting, and training highly qualified undergraduate students from underrepresented minority and other disparity populations, from local universities, into minority health and health disparities and clinical and translational research careers.

The internships are supported through the Center of Excellence for Health Disparities in Our Nation’s Capital (CEHD), a National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities grant award to Georgetown and Howard Universities, and the Georgetown-Howard Universities Center for Clinical and Translational Science (GHUCCTS). Our goals are to promote careers in minority health and health disparities and clinical and translational research.

The research internships are specialized didactic and mentored academic semester and summer long programs designed to provide an opportunity to engage in research related to minority health and health disparities and clinical and translational research. These programs will bring together undergraduate students from diverse backgrounds and interests in the Washington, DC metro area to create a rich mix of participants from across disciplinary backgrounds with different career goals.

Research interns will participate in multi-disciplinary research projects of senior investigators who will also serve as mentors and role models.

The program structure consists of:
- A mentored research experience;
- Didactic sessions;
- Visits to research facilities;
- Participation in research activities;
- Social events; and
- A summer research symposium.

The time commitment is part-time during the spring semester (~15-20 hours/week) and full-time during the summer (40 hours/week). Research interns will receive a stipend.

**Requirements:**
- Completed online application
- Copy of college transcript
- Three letters of recommendation

**Qualifications:**
Research interns are United States citizens and legal residents who are from underrepresented backgrounds that are seeking experience in minority health and health disparities and/or clinical and translational research

**Important Dates:**
- Application deadline: December 13, 2013
- Decision deadline: December 20, 2013
- Program dates: February 3, 2014

**Website:** [http://georgetownhowardctsa.org/education/career-development/summer-program](http://georgetownhowardctsa.org/education/career-development/summer-program)