Building Diversity in Biomedical Sciences

The Building Diversity in Biomedical Sciences (BDBS) Program offers a ten week, mentored research experience for students interested in pursuing future PhD or MD/PhD studies. The Program typically begins around Memorial Day and ends in early August. Trainees also attend scientific seminars and workshops on academic and career guidance, participate in organized social activities, and have free time to explore the Boston area. Trainees receive a $4,000 stipend, travel expenses within the US, and are provided with on-campus housing.

**Program Eligibility**

Applicants must have successfully completed at least one year of college and be US citizens or US permanent residents to participate in this summer program. The NIH and the Sackler School encourage applicants from members of groups that are under-represented in the biomedical sciences. The NIH has reported that groups under-represented in biomedical or behavioral research include African-American, Hispanic-American or Latino/a, American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Pacific Islander and members of economically disadvantaged families and disabled persons.

**Deadline**

All application materials must be received by the Sackler School by **February 15**. Applications for admission are reviewed after the deadline; applicants are encouraged to submit all required materials as early as possible. Applications received after February 15 will be considered only if space is available. Applicants will be notified of a decision around May 1.

**Apply Online**

The application form can be accessed by the online application system.

**Online Information**

[http://sackler.tufts.edu/Admissions/Apply-to-Non-Degree-Programs/Building-Diversity-in-Biomedical-Sciences.aspx](http://sackler.tufts.edu/Admissions/Apply-to-Non-Degree-Programs/Building-Diversity-in-Biomedical-Sciences.aspx)

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