



Hughes Scholars *Research & Outreach Fellowships*

Due Dates

- Full proposals are due September 19, 2014
- Proposal review will begin immediately and is expected to last a week. This will include applicant interviews
- Applicants will be notified of funding decisions by October 3, 2014

Synopsis

The Hughes Scholars program—an undergraduate funding initiative within the Hughes Undergraduate Biology (HUB) Program—supports active research and outreach by undergraduate students in areas related to biomedical/bioscience research. Funded by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute, the Hughes Scholars initiative looks for Montana State University students who are considering careers in biomedical/bioscience research or a medical/health field, and who are dedicated, driven, and innovative. They share a commitment to advancing their own knowledge, skills, and abilities in such a way as to personally and directly impact biomedical and health issues. In addition, Hughes Scholars understand the critical nature of a well-rounded education, strong communication skills, and a commitment to providing science learning opportunities to others.

Key to a Hughes Scholars' fellowship is participation in a significant and meaningful project to reach out to populations through discovery-based and/or research-relevant science. This program differs from others at MSU in that supported projects have a clear methodology for imparting science information to a specific audience, and in a way that encourages young learners or other populations to be excited and intrigued by science.

Applicants are expected to work with their mentors to establish lab/research expectations, and with the Hughes staff and their Scholars project group to develop their outreach plan. Applicants are also required to attend and present (poster or oral) at a scientific conference.

Program Contact

Interested students should refer to the Hughes website at hughes.montana.edu for application materials, and may contact Martha Sellers, Associate Director, Hughes Undergraduate Biology, for assistance/advice. (Please access and explore the website *before* contacting Martha.)

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