

# **ANNOUNCEMENT**

## **STUDENT DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNDERREPRESENTED STUDENTS IMSD PROGRAM**

### **DEFINITIONS:**

Montana State University (MSU)-Bozeman is a recipient of an Initiative to Maximize Student Diversity (IMSD) Undergraduate Grant from the National Institutes of Health. The major objective of the grant is to recruit and retain undergraduates from underrepresented populations to biomedical fields and increase the academic competitiveness of underrepresented students in health sciences and biomedical fields.

### **STUDENT SELECTION CRITERIA:**

1. A full-time undergraduate student enrolled at MSU in a life/biomedical science curriculum.
2. In good academic standing and have scholastic potential (maintain at least a 2.5 GPA).
3. Interested in pursuing a degree in the health/allied health/biomedical sciences.
4. Willing to work and participate in academic development activities full-time during the summer (40 hrs/wk) and part-time during the academic year (10-18 hrs/wk).
5. American Indian and /or other categories considered underrepresented in the biomedical sciences as identified by NIH IMSD program guidelines.

### **SUPPORT:**

The program provides IMSD students with annual earnings up to \$7,134 paid at the rate of \$7.65/hour for participation in program activities including work in the research laboratory, group projects, and academic enhancement sessions. Support for travel to one national scientific meeting each year is also provided.

### **APPLICATION:**

Application forms are available from the American Indian Research Opportunities (AIRO) Office, PO Box 173925, 312 Roberts Hall, MSU-Bozeman, Bozeman, MT 59717-3925. Interested students must submit the following:

1. Completed application form.
2. Official transcripts from all colleges attended.
3. A written autobiographical statement addressing background, interests and achievements, and a statement addressing level of commitment to a biomedical career.
4. Names, addresses and telephone numbers of two individuals who have knowledge of your recent academic background and future potential.
5. Documentation of underrepresented status, including tribal affiliation, if applicable.

### **DEADLINE:**

Screening of applications is an ongoing process and continues until positions are filled. Address applications and inquiries to the AIRO address in the right margin and to the attention of Ms. Marjorie Old Horn, AIRO Director.