SUMMER MEDICAL STUDENT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

PURPOSE
In alignment with its mission, SIR Foundation has created a summer medical student internship program with the goal of introducing medical students early in their studies to interventional radiology research and medical device development. The internship is for highly motivated medical students who seek to acquire a fundamental understanding of research methods as they relate to Vascular and Interventional Radiology. The selected students will have an opportunity to intern with an Interventional Radiologist research mentor host or a corporate research and development mentor host during the summer of 2021. There may be multiple students selected for each funded internship opportunity.

AWARD

Interventional Radiologist Mentor Internship
The SIR Foundation will provide a stipend for living and travel expenses. The IR host/mentor internships are 8 weeks in duration with a minimum of a 40-hour work week. The stipend will be $4,500 paid to the student by SIR Foundation after the confirmation of the start of the internship. The student is responsible for arranging his/her own transportation and housing at the host location.

Corporate Sponsor Mentor Internship
The corporate host internships range from 8-12 weeks in duration with a minimum of a 40-hour work week. Specific details for each corporate host/mentor internship will be provided in the individual program descriptions. The stipend will be provided by the corporate host and explained in the agreement between the corporate host and the student intern. The student is responsible for arranging his/her own transportation and for arranging his/her housing at the host location unless the corporate host chooses to offer housing and those details will be explained by the corporate host.

SIR Foundation will also waive the registration fee for the SIR member medical student and will provide a travel stipend of up to $1,000 for the SIR Annual Scientific Meeting.

ELIGIBILITY
The student must be recommended by one of the following members of their faculty: Director of the Radiology Residency program, Director of the IR Fellowship, or an interventional radiologist on the faculty. If you wish to submit a LOR from another IR provider because your faculty does not have a residency or fellowship program, please email grants@sirweb.org for an exception. The letter of recommendation must accompany the application at the time of submission and the name of the reference must be provided below. The application will be considered incomplete until the reference letter is received by the SIR Foundation offices.

NOTE: The student must be a U.S. citizen or have permanent U.S. resident status. Permanent residents must submit documentation of this status.
The qualified applicant will be a student in good standing, actively enrolled in an allopathic or osteopathic medical school, and must be available to be on site at the host location for the entire duration of the internship. The medical student must be a member in good standing of the Society of Interventional Radiology (SIR).

APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND DEADLINE
Applicants are to submit their completed application via the online form found at: apply.sirfoundation.org

Applications are due by 5 pm Est on January 15, 2021.

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS
1. Updated CV
2. Letter of Recommendation from one of the following faculty members:
   a. Director of the Radiology Residency Program;
   b. Director of the IR Fellowship; or
   c. Interventional Radiology on faculty
   d. If you wish to submit a LOR from another IR provider because your faculty does not have a residency or fellowship program, please email grants@sirfoundation.org for an exception.
   Please note that all recommendation letters must be uploaded on a professional letterhead and have a wet signature.
3. Rank all of the sites (1 being the top choice).
   a. Please note that preferences will be considered but not guaranteed. Additionally, by only listing 1 site will reduce chances of matching to a summer intern host site.
4. Description of how the applicant became interested in IR scientific research or medical device development (Limit 300 words)
5. List of relevant extra-curricular activities, projects completed that were not required by the medical school curriculum, or previous internships (Limit 300 words)
6. Explanation what the applicant hopes for future in the specialty of Vascular and Interventional Radiology (Limit 250 words)

REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL STUDENT INTERN
The medical student must:
• Commit to completing the full duration of the internship during the summer of 2021.
• Commit to the curriculum and internship activities as stated in the internship descriptions (attached), for the internship for which the student is selected.
• Commit to completing the proposed internship project during the internship time period.
• Communicate with the SIR Foundation biweekly during the internship period to provide a project progress update.
• Communicate with their site mentor during their internship on a weekly basis at minimum.
• Commit to attending the SIR Annual Scientific Meeting, which will occur in the spring of 2021.
AVAILABLE INTERNSHIPS
Descriptions of the summer IR internship sites can be found on the webpage. Please read through the internship descriptions before completing the application.

REVIEW PROCESS
Completed applications will be distributed to the members of the SIR Foundation Review Committee who will determine the most appropriate site for the selected students.

REPORTS
Progress reports must be submitted biweekly during the internship period to the SIR Foundation. A Final Report is also due upon the completion of the internship. All reporting will be collected via apply.sirfoundation.org