

Interns and Fellows Selected for 2011 Summer Research Program

Twenty-two undergraduate student interns and two faculty fellows have been selected to participate in the 2011 WV-INBRE Summer Research Program at West Virginia University and Marshall University. Eleven interns and one fellow will be located at each campus. The selection process for the internships was highly competitive. Sixty-eight applications were reviewed to fill the twenty-two positions. The applicant pool was the largest in the history of the program. Interns come from ten of the fourteen Primarily Undergraduate Institutions in the WV-INBRE network.

The Summer Research Program will run from May 31 – July 29. Interns and fellows will conduct biomedical research projects under the direction of faculty mentors and present the results at their research at the Summer Research Symposium which is scheduled for July 28 at Marshall University. The morning session of the symposium will consist of oral presentations by participants and a keynote lecture by Dr. Terrence Monks from the University of Arizona Health Sciences Center. Poster presentations will be held in the afternoon.

Summer Research Program Participants at West Virginia University

| Interns | Mentor |
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| Arielle Baker – West Virginia Wesleyan College | Dr. James O'Donnell |
| Rachel Brown – Concord University | Dr. Patrick Callery |
| Carissa Dunn – Davis & Elkins College | Dr. Peter Stoilov |
| Ryan Johnson – Bethany College | Dr. Hunter Zhang |
| Sara Kurian – Shepherd University | Dr. Bingyun Li |
| Gabrielle LaFata - West Virginia Wesleyan College | Dr. John Hollander |
| Kyle Oney – Alderson-Broaddus College | Dr. Michael Schaller |
| Kathleen Roberts - West Virginia Wesleyan College | Dr. Mark Olfert |
| Emily Sechrest – Bethany College | Dr. Rosana Schafer |
| Anthony Thorpe – Alderson-Broaddus College | Dr. Robert Brock |
| Kiril Tuntevski – University of Charleston | Dr. Slawomir Lukomski |
| Fellow | |
| Dr. Kimberly Fisher – Bethany College | Dr. William Wonderlin |

Summer Research Program Participants at Marshall University

| Interns | Mentor |
|---|-----------------------|
| Hannah Cavender – West Virginia State University | Dr. Larry Grover |
| Joshua Kim – West Virginia State University | Dr. Gary Rankin |
| Benjamin Kordusky - West Virginia Wesleyan College | Dr. Elaine Hardman |
| Andre Lamyathong – Wheeling Jesuit University | Dr. Monica Valentovic |
| Emma Levin-Nielson - West Virginia Wesleyan College | Dr. Richard Egleton |

Daniel Mai – University of Charleston

Dr. Jung Han Kim

Sarah Monsheimer – University of Charleston

Dr. Simon Collier

Niraj Nepal – West Virginia State University

Dr. Eric Blough

Rebekah Sine – Alderson-Broadus College

Dr. Maria Serrat

Megan Smith – Alderson-Broadus College

Dr. Hongwei Yu

Richard Thomas - West Virginia Wesleyan College

Dr. Philippe Georget

Fellow

Dr. Gary Morris – Glenville State College

Dr. Travis Salisbury