



2023 Centre for Blood Research (CBR) Summer Studentship Program Application Form

AWARD AMOUNTS

Summer students receive an award of up to \$7,500 for the duration of the research project (up to 16 weeks).

PURPOSE

To provide research opportunities for students to get hands-on research experience, be exposed to a wide range of biomedical disciplines and technologies, develop transferrable skills, and gain insights into career options. It is also a chance to meet people with varied backgrounds and experiences, at all levels of training.

DESCRIPTION & ELIGIBILITY (SEE ATTACHED AGREEMENT)

- i. These awards are designated for undergraduate students or medical students who are interested in working under the supervision of a CBR Principal Investigator (PI), Research Associate (RA), or Postdoctoral Fellow (PDF) over the summer period (May to August).
- ii. Projects are between eight (8) to 16 weeks in length. For project proposals shorter than 16 weeks, project extensions may be accommodated upon notification to the CBR Education Program Manager, Dr. Parvin Bolourani (parvin@mail.ubc.ca). In such cases, the award amount will be adjusted accordingly.
- iii. Summer students can conduct their research projects **in-person** or **remotely**. Project scope is not limited to basic science/clinical research, and can include science education/communication projects. If conducting research in-person, students must abide by their workplace COVID-19 safety policies. The award will expect that students will be conducting research for up to 30 hours per week.
- iv. More than one award may be held per PI. Only **one** student may be supervised by a PDF/RA. PDFs/RAs who are directly supervising students must have approval from their PI.
- v. CBR will contribute 60% of the award funding, while PIs must contribute 40% of the award funding. Upon award acceptance, PIs must provide a speedchart/worktag to CBR administrative staff. The award will be disbursed as a monthly payment through CBR. The amount and duration of the award can be supplemented at the PI's discretion.
- vi. Successful student applicants:
 - a. Are required to participate in a presentation of their work or work-in-progress at the CBR Research Day (date TBD; anticipated to be held in-person at the Life Sciences Centre).
 - b. Are required to participate in **all** CBR-organized summer events (see 'Award Conditions'). Some events are expected to take place virtually, while others are expected to take place in-person.
 - c. Are required to submit a written report that includes a summary of their research project, a reflection of their Program experience, and an assessment of the overall Program. This report should be sent to the CBR Education Program Manager before August 25, 2023.
 - d. Are required to complete an end-of-program online survey before August 25, 2023.
 - e. Are NOT eligible to hold both a CBR Summer Studentship and any other funding (e.g., NSERC URSA) during the CBR Summer Studentship funding period (May to August).
- vii. Students and PIs are encouraged to discuss project expectations, schedules, and timelines in advance of agreeing to apply together.
- viii. The CBR should be acknowledged in publications and presentations of work arising from this award.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Completed applications with signed statements by the student must be submitted to CBR Education Program Manager, Dr. Parvin Bolourani (parvin@mail.ubc.ca) **before March 10, 2023**. Please email the application package as a **single PDF file**.



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- i. On a single letter-size page, with font equivalent to or greater than Times New Roman size 11, the PI/RA/PDF should provide a brief description of the project, who will supervise the student, how the student will participate, and what the student is likely to accomplish in terms of knowledge and skills. For projects that are intended to be conducted in-person, please also provide a back-up remote project plan (one page maximum) should workplace COVID-19 safety policies change during the Program and in-person research is no longer feasible.
- ii. The student's resume (2 pages maximum) that includes all contact information must be attached.
- iii. The student, PDF/RA (if applicable), and PI must sign the agreement to participate in CBR summer events.

TIMELINE

Deadline for Application: **March 10, 2023**

Notification of Decision: **late March/early April**



2023 Centre for Blood Research (CBR) Summer Studentship Award Conditions

The CBR Summer Studentship Program is a terrific opportunity to get hands-on research experience, be exposed to a wide range of biomedical disciplines and technologies, develop transferrable skills, and gain insights into career options. It is also a chance to meet people with varied backgrounds and experiences, at all levels of training.

This award is highly competitive. Those who accept the award are expected to participate in all aspects of the program.

To accept the award, you must agree to the following:

- i. I am currently an undergraduate or medical student registered at a recognized university.
- ii. I will work under the supervision of a CBR Principal Investigator (PI), Research Associate (RA), or Postdoctoral Fellow (PDF) over the summer period (May to August). My PI has agreed to contribute 40% of the award funding.
- iii. I will not hold any other awards during the tenure of the CBR Summer Studentship Program.
- iv. If I am conducting research in-person, I will abide by my workplace COVID-19 safety policies.
- v. I will present my research work-in-progress at the CBR Research Day symposium (date TBD).
- vi. I will participate in all CBR-organized summer events and my PI will ensure that time is available to attend or complete the following (details to follow):
 - Social events
 - Career development events
 - Research skills sessions
 - A written report that includes a summary of my research project, a reflection of my Program experience, and an assessment of the overall Program. I will submit this to the CBR Education Program Manager before August 25, 2023.
 - An end-of-program online survey before August 25, 2023.
- vii. If I am unable to attend any event, I will let the CBR Education Program Manager, Dr. Parvin Bolourani parvin@mail.ubc.ca know as soon as possible.

I understand that failure to adhere to this agreement will jeopardize payment of the award.

	Printed Name & Email Address	Signature (Digital signatures acceptable)
Student		
PDF/RA (if applicable)		
Principal Investigator		

Student Start Date: _____

Student End Date: _____

Research project length (in weeks): _____