**DEAN’S AWARD FOR LIFE SCIENCE RESEARCH**

# APPLICATION FOR THE SUMMER and/or 2021-22 ACADEMIC AWARD

**Application Opens: Friday February 7, 2021**

**Application Closes: Friday, June 5, 2021, 5:00 PM PST**

## About the Dean’s Award Program

* Students must be majoring in the Life Sciences and
* Be socioeconomically disadvantaged.
* Those from groups underrepresented or AB540 eligible are given preference.

Usually this award is used to do research or have a job-shadowing experience. Due to COVID-19 related campus restrictions, we are asking you to propose how you will use these funds to advance your career and education. This means you could use these funds to work on a research project, take a class during the summer, work in a lab, or participate in a community-based research/clinical outreach program.

## How to Apply

* Download and fill out the form below and submit through the COMPASS Website.
* Applications must be received by the deadline in order to be considered.

For questions regarding the award, please contact COMPASS-Life Science Directors Dr. Gina Poe (ginapoe@ucla.edu) and Dr. Megan McEvoy (mcevoymm@ucla.edu).

## Application

I am applying for:  Summer  Fall/Winter/Spring (Select one or more)

Last Name: First Name:

UCLA SID #:

By providing your UCLA SID number you are authorizing the COMPASS Life Science Directors to access information from your student record for application purposes and during the period of the award.

Major: Minor (if any):

Email:

Cell phone or best contact phone: Text OK?  Yes  No

Ethnic group:

 Hispanic or Latino

 Not Hispanic or Latino

Racial group (check all that apply):

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|   | American Indian or Alaska native  |
|   | Asian  |
|   | Black or African American  |
|   | Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander  |
|   | White  |

Are you from a socio-economically disadvantaged background and qualify for federal disadvantaged assistance (e.g. Pell grant)?  Yes  No

If applicable, please have documentation available for verification upon request.

Are you AB 540 eligible?  Yes  No

Are you a current DACA recipient?  Yes  No

Are you a student with a disability?  Yes  No

How did you hear about this funding opportunity? (Please choose)

 COMPASS Website

 URC-Sciences

 Bruin Resource Center

 Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Have you received (or will you receive) any other scholarships for this summer and/or the 2020-21 academic year? Y/N

 If so, please indicate the scholarship name and amount: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date of matriculation to UCLA:

GPA at UCLA:

Expected graduation date (quarter, year):

Highest degree objective:

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|   | PhD  |
|   | Dual degree (MD/PhD or DDS/PhD or similar)  |
|   | MD  |
|   | Master of Science (MS)  |
|   | Bachelor of Science (BS)  |
|   | Other professional degree (e.g. PharmD, DVM, DDS, etc.)  |
|   | Other\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |

Career objectives (100 characters, not including spaces, max):

List any previous or current research or career experience below:

Dates (month/year-month/year) & approx. total hours Mentor (& institution, if not UCLA) **Please upload a separate file that includes BOTH the Personal Statement and Research Statement (Include your last name in the name of the file)**

**PERSONAL STATEMENT ESSAY**

Must be at least 100, but no more than 3500 characters (excluding spaces).

Please elaborate on all of the following topics, and anything else you’d like us to know about you:

* Your family, education, and community background
* Factors that contributed to your decision to study science
* Your area of research interest (if known)
* How you anticipate this award will make a difference in your life

**SUMMER and/or ACADEMIC YEAR EXPERIENCE PROPOSAL ESSAY**

Must be at least 100, but no more than 3500 characters (excluding spaces).

Provide a brief description of what experience you would like to have and how that would further your career. Details are welcome, showing that you have thought this through and have taken steps to identify mentors, venues, and have a feasible plan that will help you gain the experience you need to achieve your career goals.

*For example, if you want to work on a research project, have you identified the project, have the resources (e.g. data) available, and have a mentor to work with on the project?*

*If you want to use the funds to take a class, describe the class and how it will advance your academic experience. For example, would taking the class during the 2020-2021 school year (instead of this summer) prevent you from having a meaningful research experience during the academic term because you also need to participate in a job that earns money?*

*If you use the funds to work in in a lab, which lab, what would you be doing, and how will this help you achieve your career goals?*

*If you want to do community-based research, clinical outreach, or a communications project, describe it and how it would impact the community and your career.*

*For all experiences, what would prevent you from having this experience without the Dean’s Award?*

**TRANSCRIPT(S)**

Please authorize the COMPASS Life Science Directors to obtain your Degree Progress Report (DPR) from your student record: Authorization permission:  Yes  No

**RÉSUMÉ/CV (please upload as a separate file, include your last name in the name of the file)**

Provide a résumé/CV that includes any information on your educational background, awards, scholarships, outside activities, specialized skills or leadership positions that you would like us to be aware of.