



YOUNG INNOVATIVE INVESTIGATOR PROGRAM

DO YOU WANT TO BE PART OF THE NEXT **GENERATION OF INNOVATIVE BIOMEDICAL SCIENTISTS?**

NEW CICATS RESEARCH OPPORTUNITY

The Connecticut Institute for Clinical and Translational Science (CICATS) at the University of Connecticut (UConn) announces the Young Innovative Investigator Program (YIIP), a research opportunity for underrepresented students dedicated to pursuing careers as scientists in biological and biomedical science.

WHAT IS THE YOUNG INNOVATIVE INVESTIGATOR PROGRAM (YIIP)?

YIIP, a 1-2 year, full-time program at UConn Health, Farmington, Conn., will provide opportunities for students to conduct research with a mentor in a biomedical laboratory, succeed in an academic environment, and become competitive candidates for medical or graduate school. This is NOT a post-baccalaureate program. The applicant must be prepared to complete graduate level scientific coursework. Students will be enrolled in a curriculum of basic science research at UConn. Upon successful completion of coursework, in year one students will obtain a Graduate Certificate of Research Experience in Biomedical Science from UConn. Students who meet the academic qualifications may have the opportunity to pursue a Master of Science degree in year two. By fulfilling the program requirements, YIIP Scholars will acquire the expertise necessary to enter a MD, MD-PhD or PhD program.

AM I ELIGIBLE?

Baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university with a minimum overall 3.0 GPA and a 3.3 science GPA

Demonstrated high motivation and potential to become a basic scientist with a goal to attain a MD, MD-PhD or PhD

Underrepresented minority students in health professions and the sciences: Black, Hispanic, Native American, Alaskan Native, and Pacific Islander who meet all the eligibility criteria

Be a citizen or permanent resident of the United States

HOW DO I APPLY?

Follow the application guidelines and requirements outlined in detail on the CICATS website: http://cicats.uconn.edu/yiip.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION DEADLINE?

Application and supplemental materials are due no later than April 25, 2016. Announcement of YIIP Scholars is made in May 2016.

> For additional information about the application process, please contact: Lana Angelo, YIIP Program Coordinator, langelo@uchc.edu or 860-679-7661

> > **HTTP://CICATS.UCONN.EDU/YIIP**