What Is the HOPP Summer Student Program?

The Human Oncology & Pathogenesis Program (HOPP) at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center provides high school students with hands-on experience in laboratory techniques. Students conduct independent research projects and attend enriching training sessions and tours designed to support their interest in the clinical side of translational research and fuel their curiosity for science.

Program Facts
- The program runs for eight weeks from June 29 to August 21, 2020.
- Students must commit to the full eight weeks and should plan their summer accordingly.
- Students are expected to take part in independent research projects under the direct mentorship of a postdoctoral fellow, graduate student, or research technician.
- Students are expected to present their research project at a poster session at the end of the summer.
- Students will receive a stipend upon completion of the program.

Who is Eligible?

HOPP seeks high school students who are knowledgeable, self-motivated, and passionate about science to join our 2020 Summer Student Program. We encourage students from disadvantaged and underprivileged backgrounds to apply.

Students also must meet the following criteria:
- Completion of at least the 9th grade by June 2020
- Must be 14 or older by June 29, 2020
- A genuine interest in science and laboratory research
- 3.5 GPA in science subjects
- Two letters of recommendation
- Eight-week commitment to the program

PLEASE NOTE: Acceptance into the program does not guarantee an extended internship throughout the school year.

More information about the program can be found at www.mskcc.org/HOPP

Application Requirements and Program Facts

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The following documents must be submitted in a PDF format via the summer student application website at www.mskcc.org/HOPP

- Resumé
- Copy of school transcript (unofficial is acceptable)
- Signed 8 week commitment letter by parent and student
- 2 letters of recommendation (at least 1 must be from a scientific advisor). Letters must speak of student’s previous scientific experience in lab and knowledge of biological concepts, as well as his or her commitment to education and discovery.

Applications will not be accepted after the February 7, 2020 application deadline. References and transcripts will have until February 14, 2020 to submit letters. Please note that ONLY references and transcripts will be accepted after February 7th until February 14th. Applications are considered complete once all documents are received. The review process will begin shortly after February 14th for completed applications only.

Questions?
Inquiries can be directed to HOPPSummerProgram@mskcc.org