2020 CIC biomaGUNE Summer Research Program

Description of the Program

The Center for Cooperative Research in Biomaterials (CIC biomaGUNE) launches the 2020 Summer Research Program, with the support of the Maria de Maeztu Excellence Program, to provide undergraduate students the opportunity to have an insight into the institute's research activities and to conduct research within an international scientific environment.

Under the supervision of a group leader or a senior member of a research group, students will carry out a short research project, in addition to receiving training. During their stay, students will have access to suitable laboratory space, equipment and research supplies. They will work alongside pre- and post-doctoral researchers and receive training at the highest levels, also by participating to CIC biomaGUNE seminars.

A maximum of 8 internship positions will be awarded in 2020.

The program runs for a total of **8 weeks** during the months of June, July and August. The call is open to undergraduate students of **any nationality**.

Eligibility criteria for undergraduate students

- Undergraduates with an excellent academic record and a strong interest in biomaterials science (prior lab experience is highly recommended), who are in the final two years of BSc studies in Chemistry, Materials Science, Biology, Medicine, Bioengineering, Biochemistry, Nanoscience, Physics or related areas.
- Students who are in the third year must certify having passed at least 140 credits of the degree by the time the internship starts.
- Candidates may not have finalized the degree at the time of the internship (Summer 2020).
- Candidates must also accredit an average score equal to or greater than 6.5/10 (Spanish system) in Engineering and experimental sciences (physics, chemistry, etc.) or in Life sciences.
- Candidates must have a good working knowledge of English.
- Candidates should make sure it is possible formalize an internship agreement through their University.

Application Process

Candidates must present an online application in English, using the following form and

indicating "321 Summer" as reference. The deadline for application is March 14, 2020.

The application will include the following information in English:

- Complete CV
- Your most recent academic transcript, which should include the title of all courses you have completed thus far and the grades you received.
- Cover letter stating why you are interested in this program, how do you expect this program will benefit you on a personal and academic level and which laboratory would you like to join. Candidates are encouraged to check information (<u>https://www.cicbiomagune.es/org/researchgroups</u>) regarding the labs prior to submitting the application.
- The contact details of at least one referee who can provide a reference.

Positions will be awarded on a competitive basis taking into consideration the student's academic records as well as motivation and reference letters.

Once verified that the student meets the requested requirements, an agreement between CIC biomaGUNE and the sending University will be signed before the start of the scholarship.

Scholarship

- All selected candidates: 500 €/month gross¹
- If the candidate is not from Gipuzkoa: 1 return ticket to the student's place of residence (up to 200 €) in economy fare.

From this scholarship, students are responsible to arrange their own housing.

Call calendar 2020

14/01/2020	Call opening
14/03/2020	Call deadline
end of April	Notification of candidates
June - July	Start of the internship
July - August	End of the internship

Justification and report after the grant

Before the end of their stay, students will submit a report in English and present their work and results to the research group.

¹ Before deductions of taxes and social security contribution



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