

Summer Research Opportunities for Dental Students: 2022

http://dental.case.edu/research (click on student summer research on the menu)



Summer Research at SODM: D-CODAS: Design, Collect, Organize, Describe, Analyze, Share

- participate in the process of scientific investigation;
- gain first-hand knowledge and experience with the methodology required for research;
- collect, analyze and interpret the project data under the guidance of their faculty mentor;
- present findings at local/national meetings

Program Structure

- 8-week, full-time commitment to project work
- Surveys, basic science, pre-clinical (materials), chart review
- Where the work is conducted depends on mentor; must have at least one SODM mentor
- Attend the 2-3 summer research meetings
- Submit interim(June30) and final (July 30) progress report, documenting benchmarks.
- No outside, full-time work

Overview of Steps to Apply

Find a mentor; Outline a research idea Your original idea or component of mentor research project Complete the application; Answer ALL of the questions; your role, timeline; IRB**



Respond to any questions or clarifications Email the completed application to me, copied to mentor; DUE DATE

Summer Research – Application

- Complete an application; see website for application details & format; email submission to me, mentor must be copied on email.
- Address <u>all of the questions</u> on the application Purpose/Objectives; Background; provide details on the Methods, how / where will the work be conducted, how will you analyze the data collected. Your role, timeline.
- The applications will be reviewed by members of the Research Committee.
- You may be asked for details/clarification

Your Responsibilities

- **Complete the project activities**; honor your time commitment. Communicate regularly with mentor.
- Get help with specific topics such as survey construction, data collection forms, etc.
- Let me know if you are having issues; delays of any kind; need to unexpectedly leave during the summer;

Mentors

- Faculty is notified this week that students are seeking mentors
- No more than 2 students per mentor; ASK your mentor, check with me
- Mentors will evaluate and sign off on your progress;

A good student mentee:

- identifies his/her needs and presents them to his/her mentor.
- is open-minded and ready to try the mentor's advice.
- makes explicit requests for help.
- is honest and able to bring up any issue
- respects and appreciates the mentor's effort

What makes a successful project?

- Scope –all or mostly accomplished by Aug 1.
- Having a dental school mentor outside collaboration is permitted but if your project depends on outside activities out of your control.....
- Your interest & persistence
- Letting me know if you are having problems, delays

Human Subjects Research

- Special seminar about IRB submission and requirements in January for those interested in summer research
- Submit IRB documents as needed (human subjects approval)— start ASAP
- **Any project that requires IRB review will require you to complete the CITI (human subjects protection) certificate.
 Online course – free.
 - See dental school website; Research; Research Support; Credentialing & Certification –scroll down to CITI program, Initial Certification, GROUP 2

• Before final approval, you will need to provide

- Evidence of CITI course completion
- IRB application submitted, if needed
- If project is already approved, you need to be added on the IRB if using identifiable information.

Summer Stipend

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Paid in 2 installments; July 31 and August 31. 2nd payment after progress reports and mentor signs off .

Progress benchmarks:

Before June 30 and 1st payment: Lit review and background, expanded from the application; IRB if required; Develop a data collection tool, a draft data entry database; an analytic plan. Trhese items should be included in Progress Report Submit Final Report for second payment.

Key Points for 2022

- 1) At this time, funding is not guaranteed. There are several possibilities for stipend structure; 10 @ \$1000 or 5 at \$2000.
- 2) Even if you choose to complete a project with no support, you still must complete an application.
- 3) The timeline for projects will be more flexible.
- 4) Projects must be conducted under the same rules as coursework: masks, social distance if possible. Clinic-based projects are unlikely. ALL of this is subject to change
- 5) Most likely projects will be lab-based work, surveys, secondary data analysis; a chart review if the mentor has a currently active IRB to which you would be added.
- 6) You must complete the human subjects training (online and free takes several hours) and fill out a conflict of interest form for any human subjects project.
- 7) <u>The process for selecting representatives for national meeting (funded travel) will be</u> <u>a Fall (October, 2021) Professional's Day program.</u>
- 8) See the Student Research Page for information. https://case.edu/dental/research/student-research

Presentations

To be considered for the SCADA award: present at Fall (October, 2022) Professional's Day. SCADA awardee must submit abstract and attend AADR in March 2023.

You are expected to give an ORAL presentation at Professional's Day in October;

Travel

As of now, there is no travel support except: The SCADA winner receives external travel support

Special projects in oral pathology or TMJ

I hope to update this information; competitive travel award

The good news is that meetings may continue to be virtual or hybrid, allowing participation without travel.

FAQs

 Off campus project? No, meaning you cannot go home and conduct a project with another institution or outside mentor. "Remote" projects will be considered but need to be fully explained why they are fully remote.

2. When conducted?

generally, mid-May through July 30; some flexibility;

3. Shared projects?

Maybe, BUT any stipends will be reduced/shared. Two students only. If there is travel money, it will only be for one person or also shared. <u>Project responsibilities for each individual should</u> <u>still be clearly outlined</u>.

Portland, OR March 15, 2023

Other possible meetings: ADEA, NOHC (public health);

QUESTIONS?

Email me with specific questions cad3@case.edu