

### Summer Research Opportunities for Dental Students: 2023

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
- Must have at least one SoDM mentor
- Shared projects are discouraged; share stipend and share travel
- 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\*\*



\*\*\* Projects are NOT to be assisting residents

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 notified this week that students are seeking mentors – arranging for faculty presentations
- 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

#### Summer Stipend : Amount TBD

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

Progress benchmarks:

Before June 30 and 1<sup>st</sup> 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 2023

- 1) At this time, funding is not guaranteed, But strongly anticipated at 10 spots
- 2) Even if you choose to complete a project with no support, you still must complete an application.
- 3) Projects must be conducted under the same rules as coursework: masks, social distance if possible. Clinic-based projects are unlikely, but not impossible
- 4) Most likely projects will be lab-based work, surveys, secondary data analysis; a chart review.
- 5) 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.
- 6) <u>The process for selecting representatives for national meeting (funded travel) will be</u> <u>a Fall (October, 2023) Professionals Day program.</u>
- 7) 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, 2023) Professionals Day. SCADA awardee must submit abstract and attend AADOCR in March 2024.

#### You are expected to give an ORAL presentation at Professionals Day in October;

## Travel

As of now, there is ;ikely to be a couple of travel awards, but they will be competitive.

The SCADA winner receives external travel support

Special projects in oral pathology or TMJ

I hope to update this information;

### FAQs

1.Off campus project? No, meaning you cannot go home and conduct a project with another institution or outside mentor.

2. When conducted?

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

3. Shared projects?

Highly discouraged; 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 still be clearly outlined</u>.

### 2024 IADR/AADOCR

- March 13-16, 2024; New Orleans
- Other possible meetings: ADEA, NOHC (public health);

#### > QUESTIONS?

# Email me with specific questions cad3@case.edu