

Cancer Research Internship (CRI) Summer Program Pre-Application Webinar

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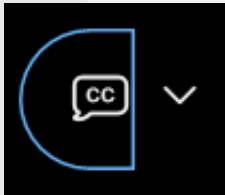
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- Webinar will be recorded
 - Recording posted to:
<https://www.cancer.gov/grants-training/training/idwb/cancer-research-interns-programs>
- Submit questions via chat
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 - Direct message Preston Gass via chat
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Overview

1. Who We Are
 - The National Institutes of Health (NIH)
 - The National Cancer Institute (NCI)
2. What We Do
 - Cancer Research with a Purpose
 - Expanding the Cancer Research Workforce
3. How We Do It
 - The Cancer Research Interns (CRI) Summer Program
 - Additional Resources
 - How to Apply
4. Time for Questions

Who We Are

*National Institutes of Health (NIH) and
National Cancer Institute (NCI)*

- Mission:
 - Seek fundamental knowledge about the nature and behavior of living systems and the application of that knowledge to enhance health, lengthen life, and reduce illness and disability
 - ~75% of budget provides **extramural** grant funding
 - **Intramural** = NIH onsite research





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27 INSTITUTES & CENTERS



 = Extramural Only

NIH NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

- Government's principal agency for cancer research and training
- Advancing scientific knowledge to help all people live longer, healthier lives
- 3 campuses:



NIH Main Campus
Bethesda, MD



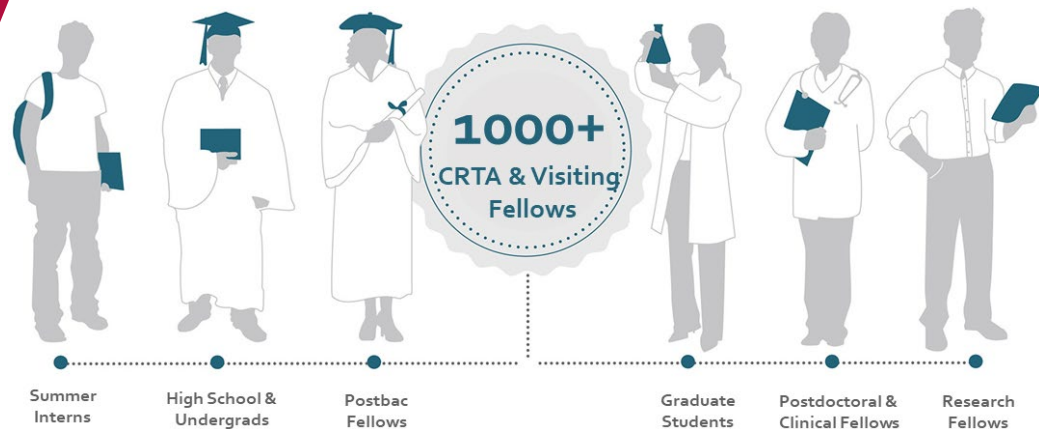
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What We Do

*Cancer Research with a Purpose and
Expanding the Cancer Research Workforce*



Overview of What We Do at NCI



Fund and support cancer research institutions and scientists

Conduct cutting-edge research on cancer causes, treatments, and prevention

Train next generation of cancer researchers

Inform and educate about cancer

Cancer Research with a Purpose

- Pursue most important problems
- Take risks
- Tackle difficult problems requiring longer time window
- Share developed technology widely
- Research full spectrum from basic science to patient care



Addressing Cancer Health Disparities & Expanding the Cancer Research Workforce

Enhancing Research to
Address **Cancer Health
Disparities**

Ensuring **Diversity of
Thought and
Background** in the
Cancer Research
Workforce

Promoting an **Inclusive
and Equitable
Community** at NCI

Why Train at NCI

1

Largest biomedical and cancer research organization in the world

2

Partnerships

3

Build your professional network

4

Commitment to diversity & inclusion

5

Competitive funding

6

Hands-on learning

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Mentorship

8

Sense of community

9

Career exploration

10

A holistic perspective to training



How We Do It

*The Cancer Research Internship (CRI)
Summer Program,
Additional Resources,
and How to Apply*

Pathways to Obtaining a Training Opportunity at NCI



Contact investigator directly



Submit your CV/resume to the NIH or NCI postbac database



Apply to open fellowship postings



Apply to a specific program within a specific timeline

The Cancer Research Internship (CRI) Summer Program

What It Is and Why You Should Do It

Cancer Research Interns (CRI) Summer Program

- Up to **12-week paid internship** to conduct research at NCI
- No prior research experience necessary
- Competitive stipend, based on education level and experience
 - For details, see: <https://www.cancer.gov/grants-training/training/at-nci/crta/2023crta-manual.pdf>
 - Travel support (for financially eligible)
- Cohort based program
- Additional career and professional development provided



Why Choose CRI for a Summer Internship?

- Conduct research with the nation's best
- Participate in summer intensives, preparing for college or graduate/professional school, wellness activities, and more!
- Present at the NIH Summer Poster Day
- Meet students from across the U.S.
- Join program Est. 2004 with more than 400 alumni





“My summer research internship at the NCI was a transformative experience. I gained practical skills [...] that have been invaluable in my academic journey. I also gained an incredible network comprised of researchers and mentors, who provided me with crucial guidance and opened doors for future opportunities.”

Brittni Moore, Former CRI participant



“I benefitted greatly from working in the lab both in terms of tangible bench skills and making very valuable connections.... I feel like everyone here is looking out for my success and happy to help me figure out my interests and hone my skills.”

—
Ons Mrad Bouali, Former CRI participant

Available Resources

- Mental health and well-being
- Career exploration
- Professional skill development
- Networking and community building

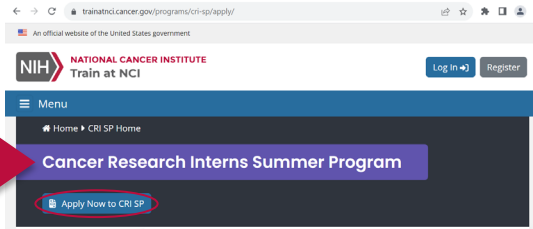


How to Apply

Two Separate Application Websites: Apply by January 22, 2024

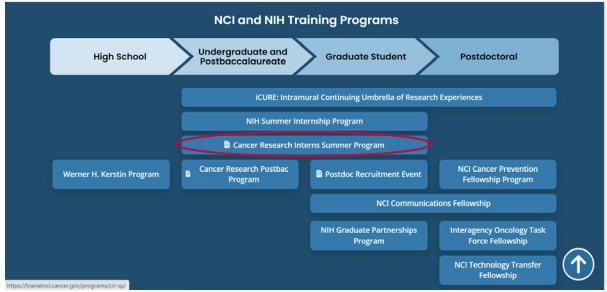


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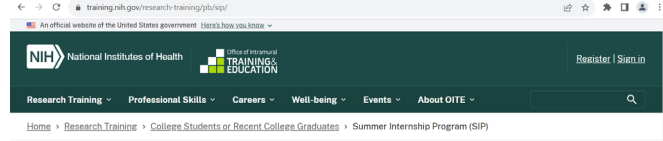


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Train at NCI Portal
Submit and manage your application(s) in the portal.
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[Log in](#)



#2: NIH SIP Application (<https://www.training.nih.gov/research-training/pb/sip/>)



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An opportunity for students in college, graduate, and professional school to perform a summer research internship in the Intramural Research Program at the NIH.

Summer Internship Program (SIP)

- [Community Colleges Summer Enrichment Program \(CCSEEP\)](#)
- [College Summer Opportunities to Advance Research \(C-SOAR\)](#)
- [Virtual Student Summer Opportunities to Advance Research \(V-SOAR\)](#)
- [Graduate Data Science Summer Program \(GDSSP\)](#)
- [Medical Student Summer Opportunities to Advance Research \(M-SOAR\)](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(FAQs\)](#)

On this page

- About this program
- Diversity and inclusion
- SIP cohort programs
- Eligibility criteria
- Upcoming information sessions
- Stipend and other compensation
- Before you apply
- **How to apply**
- Contact NIH Principal Investigators
- Selection process

About this program

This program is for college, graduate and professional students interested in exploring careers in research and healthcare. These are full-time research positions within one of the NIH Institutes and Centers (IC) in the NIH Intramural Research Program. Research groups

Apply

To be eligible to participate in CRI SP, you must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Must be 18 years or older
- Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must be a current full-time student with cancer-related research interests

In order to be approved for logical and physical access to NIH facilities and systems, candidates must be able to pass a federal background check.

Please confirm that you meet the above requirements before proceeding. Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required.

I meet all the above eligibility requirements.*

[Begin a new CRI SP Application](#)

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How to Apply – Login.gov

The screenshot shows the NIH application center website. A 'System Use Notice' dialog box is open, displaying privacy and security information. A red arrow points to the 'Sign in' button on the 'LOGIN.GOV' section of the page. The page also features a search bar, navigation links, and a footer with 'Resources', 'Policies', and 'Sign up for email updates'.

The screenshot shows the NIH Application Center website. The header includes the Office of Intramural Training & Education logo and the text 'NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH | U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES'. The main heading is 'NIH APPLICATION CENTER FOR APPLICANT ACCESS'. Below this, there is a welcome message and a 'SIGN-IN INSTRUCTIONS' section. The sign-in form includes fields for 'Smart Card Login', 'Authenticator App', 'Username', and 'Password'. A 'Go to Sign In' button is located at the bottom of the form. The footer contains various links and logos, including NIH, DHHS, USA.gov, and the USA.gov logo.

NIH APPLICATION CENTER FOR APPLICANT ACCESS

Welcome to the NIH Application Center (NIH-AC). The NIH-AC allows prospective trainees to create a profile and submit one or more program applications for admission based on eligibility.

Please use one of our trusted sign-in providers to access the NIH-AC.

SIGN-IN INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Use the same sign-in provider each time you access the NIH Application Center. You can use our [sign-in provider reminder](#) form if you ever forget which provider you used to create your account.
2. Do not have an account with any of the trusted sign-in providers? [Let us help.](#)
3. If you have an NIH badge, please do not use either SMART CARD LOGIN, AUTHENTICATOR APP, or HHS AMS to create an account in the NIH Application Center. If you leave NIH, you will not be able to access your account.

Sign in

Smart Card Login
Insert your PIV card into your smart card reader or sign in using your mobile PIV-D credentials. [Need help?](#)

Authenticator App
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Eligibility Criteria for the CRI Summer Program

- ✓ U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- ✓ 18 years or older
- ✓ Full-time student with cancer-related research interest
- ✓ GPA 3.0 or higher
- ✓ Pass federal background check



Application Materials – Information to Provide on Train at NCI

- Apply by **January 22, 2024**
- Provide on Train at NCI:
 - Basic Information – name, contact info, citizenship, etc.
 - Demographic Information – sex, race, ethnicity
 - Education – degrees awarded or expected
 - Research Interests



How to Apply – Two Documents to Upload on Train at NCI

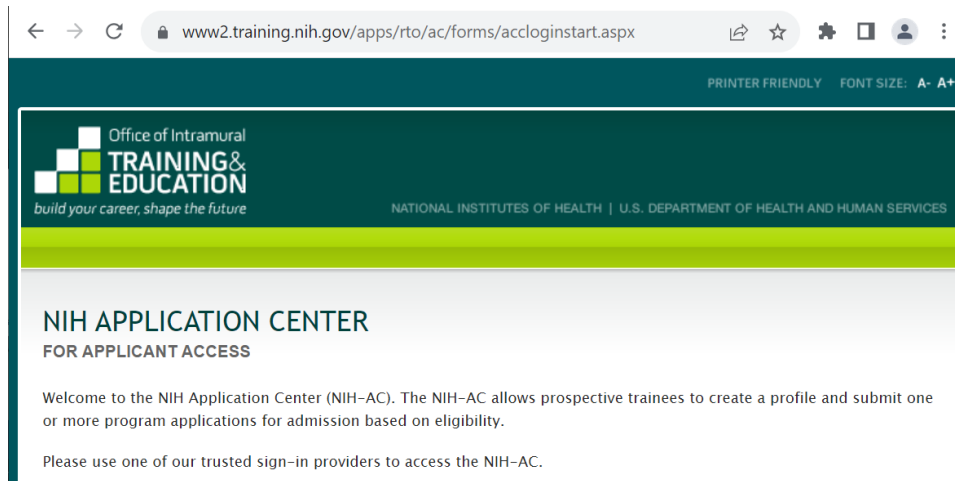


- Apply by **January 22, 2024**
- Upload to Train at NCI:
 - Diversity Statement 250 words or less
 - Financial Eligibility Statement (if applicable)



Application Materials – Information for NIH SIP Application

- Apply by **January 22, 2024**
- Documents to upload to NIH SIP Application:
 - Resume or Curriculum Vitae (CV)
 - List of coursework and grades
 - Cover letter
 - References – names and contact info for **two references**



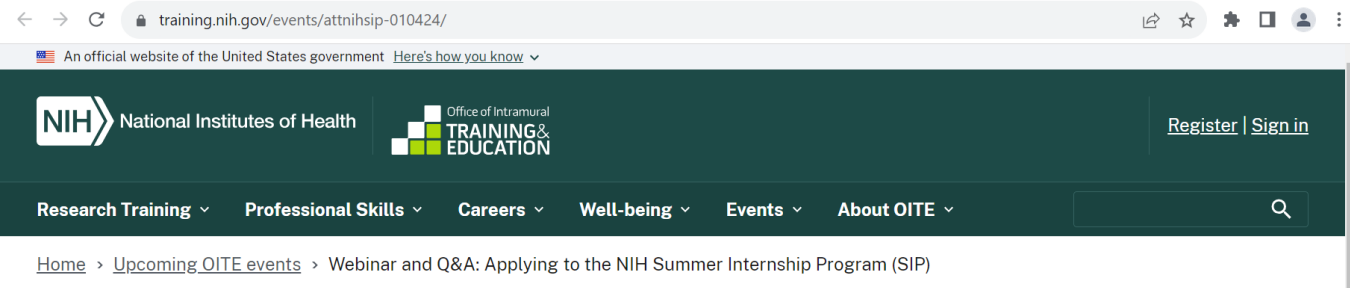
The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL www2.training.nih.gov/apps/rto/ac/forms/acloginstart.aspx. The page header includes the NIH logo and the text "Office of Intramural TRAINING & EDUCATION" with the tagline "build your career, shape the future". Below the header, the text reads "NIH APPLICATION CENTER FOR APPLICANT ACCESS". A welcome message states: "Welcome to the NIH Application Center (NIH-AC). The NIH-AC allows prospective trainees to create a profile and submit one or more program applications for admission based on eligibility." A note at the bottom of the screenshot says: "Please use one of our trusted sign-in providers to access the NIH-AC."

For questions:

<https://www.training.nih.gov/faqs/#using-the-application-center>

Contact sip@nih.gov

Upcoming Webinar and Q&A for the NIH SIP



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL training.nih.gov/events/attnihsip-010424/. The page header includes the NIH logo, the text "National Institutes of Health", and the "Office of Intramural TRAINING & EDUCATION" logo. Navigation links include "Research Training", "Professional Skills", "Careers", "Well-being", "Events", and "About OITE". A search bar is present. The breadcrumb trail reads: Home > [Upcoming OITE events](#) > Webinar and Q&A: Applying to the NIH Summer Internship Program (SIP). In the top right corner, there are links for "Register" and "Sign in".

 Event **Thursday, January 4, 2024 3-4pm ET**

Webinar and Q&A: Applying to the NIH Summer Internship Program (SIP)

Speaker: Lori Conlan, OITE

About this event

Come Learn about the NIH Summer Internship Program! If you are a college or graduate student interested in doing summer biomedical research this is a great opportunity that can enhance your career. Learn about the research at NIH and ask questions about the program. This event will run in Eastern Time (ET).

Register here:

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Contact sip@nih.gov
for questions

Summary – Two Applications Due January 22, 2024



#1: NCI CRI Application (<https://trainatnci.cancer.gov/>)

The screenshot shows the 'Train at NCI' website. The header includes the NIH logo and 'Train at NCI' text. A navigation bar contains 'Home', 'Find a Training Program', 'NCI Training Programs', and 'Contact Us'. A search bar is present. Below the navigation, there are links for 'Cancer Research Interns Summer Program (CRI SP)', 'Cancer Research Postdoc Program (CRP)', and 'Postdoc Recruitment Event (PRE)'. A central image shows a woman in a lab setting. Text below the image states: 'NCI provides prospective applicants an overview of a variety of NCI training programs that will appeal to researchers at different stages of their careers.' A 'Train at NCI Portal' button is highlighted, with text: 'Submit and manage your application(s) in the portal. Login or register for an account to begin. Log In'.

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NCI and NIH Training Programs



ICURE: Intramural Continuing Umbrella of Research Experiences

NIH Summer Internship Program

Cancer Research Interns Summer Program

Werner H. Kerstin Program

Cancer Research Postdoc Program

Postdoc Recruitment Event

NCI Cancer Prevention Fellowship Program

NCI Communications Fellowship

NIH Graduate Partnerships Program

Interagency Oncology Task Force Fellowship

NCI Technology Transfer Fellowship



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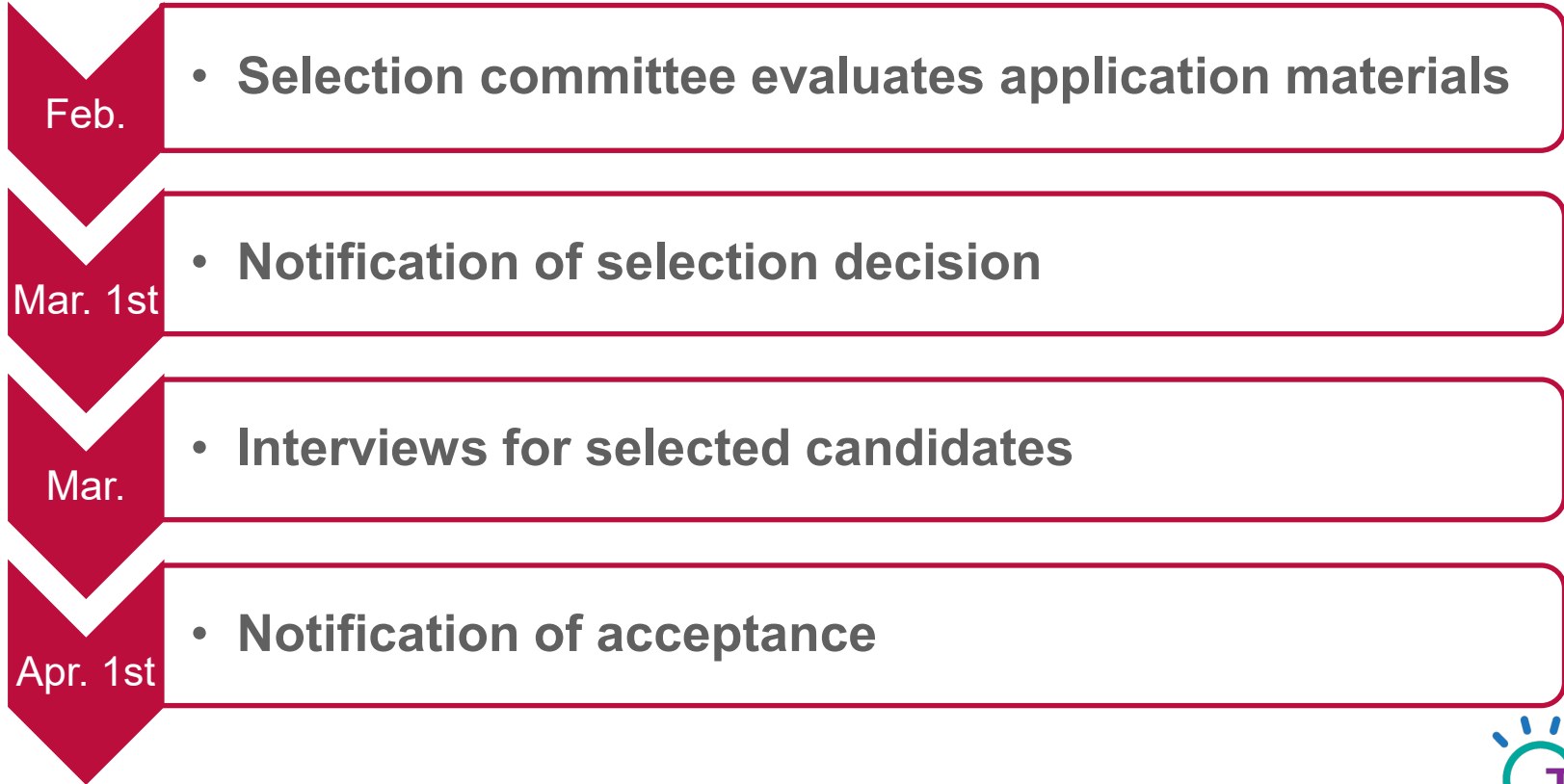
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Selection Process Timeline



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