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FIRST YEAR STUDENTS

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT/ BURROUGHS WELLCOME

Last year Burroughs Wellcome employed several Duke University first-year medical students during the summer as laboratory technicians. Again this year several laboratory technician summer openings are expected to be available, although the exact number is as of yet undetermined.

First year medical students who might be looking for summer employment are invited to apply by either calling 541-9090, ext. 4611, and requesting an application, or by visiting the Personnel Department at 3030 Cornwallis Road, Research Triangle Park before 3:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. All applications for summer employment must be received no later than February 27, 1981.

If you have any questions about the summer program, you are asked to contact Clyde Rush, Employment Supervisor, at 541-9090, ext. 4292. During March 1981, all applications received on or before February 27 will be reviewed and matched up with the 1981 summer openings. All applicants will be notified no later than April 24, 1981, concerning the disposition of their applications.

ARMY MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Army Medical Department has sixty (60) positions open for the Health Professions Scholarship Program which is available to freshman students only. The program permits the selected student to be commissioned as an officer of the United States Army Reserve. While completing school, the student will draw a stipend for ten and one-half months each year, plus the pay and allowances of a second lieutenant during an annual 45-day active duty for training period, for a total program compensation of approximately \$6,300 per year. The active duty for training is normally performed at a military installation. In addition, tuition and certain other expenses required by all students in a particular course of study will also be paid by the Government.

For each year of training the Army pays for, you in return have to give one year of active duty service back to the Army. For more information concerning the Health Professions Scholarship Program contact the Financial Aid Office or contact:

Captain Edward R. Miller
 AMEDD Personnel Procurement Counselor
 D. D. Eisenhower Medical Center
 Room 408
 Fort Gordon, Georgia 30905
 (404) 790-6939 COLLECT

EXTERNSHIPS

SUMMER STUDENT RESEARCH - D.M./VANDERBILT

The rapidly increasing prevalence of Diabetes mellitus has made this disease a major world health problem. In recognition of this fact the U.S. government has recently given a high priority to research into its cause and effective treatment. In an effort to increase the awareness of future physicians to the many basic as well as clinical problems associated with this disease and its treatment, the Diabetes Research and Training Center at Vanderbilt has developed a special summer program for medical students. The objectives of this program are: 1) to give medical students a comprehensive and current knowledge of Diabetes mellitus and its unsolved problems, 2) to provide an atmosphere which facilitates and encourages student interaction with a diverse group of established researchers and clinicians in the field, and 3) to give participants their own unique individual research problem to develop under the supervision of a skilled faculty preceptor.

The program offers a 12 week intensive exposure to a variety of topics in Diabetes and related endocrine or metabolic disease. Each student has his/her own preceptor to advise and encourage in a research project. In addition, students attend a series of lectures designed as a systematic approach to the various aspects of Diabetes mellitus. The lectures, given by Vanderbilt faculty, are designed to alert the students to recent clinical advances in treatment as well as to current progress in research on the fundamental scientific basis of the disease. Besides the Center's staff, visiting faculty will contribute to the program in the form of special seminars, guest lectures and discussion groups.

The positions for the Summer Diabetes Program for 1981 will be awarded based on a competitive review of all applicants by the faculty selection committee. A stipend of \$1500 is awarded to each participant. Expenses for travel, food, housing, etc. are to be paid by the student. Students are normally required to spend 12 weeks in the program although there is a reasonable amount of flexibility with respect to the time of commencement or conclusion of the program as well as the arrangement for vacation time during the course of the program. The number of students selected will depend on the financial resources available but does not usually exceed 25. All interested rising sophomores and juniors are encouraged to apply. A completed application form as well as a letter of recommendation from the Dean are required. Appropriate letters from other faculty are encouraged. For application forms, contact Jeanne Lee in Dr. Christakos' office.

REHABILITATIVE MEDICINE/ MCV

The Department of Rehabilitation Medicine at the Medical College of Virginia is offering a summer clinical traineeship for students finishing the 2nd and 3rd year of medical school.

The externship, sponsored by a HEW grant, will extend from mid-June through mid-August 1981. The stipend is \$325.00 per month. Lodging will be provided at the Medical College at a cost of \$100.00 per month.

Also being offered is a one month traineeship during the school year, from November through May, for Junior and Senior students. The stipend and living arrangements are the same as with the summer program.

For further information, students may write to : Ann Cobanks, Department of Rehabilitation Medicine, Box 677 MCV Station, MCV/VCU, Richmond, Virginia 23298.

MEETINGS, ETC...PHILOSOPHY OF SCIENCE STUDY GROUP/LECTURE

There will be a meeting of the Philosophy of Science Study Group at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 5th in the History of Medicine Reading Room (basement of the Medical Center Library). Dr. Seymour Mauskopf, Professor in the Department of History and Director of the Science and Social Policy Program at Duke, will be speaking. The topic is "Historical Reflections on the Relationship of Parapsychology to the Scientific Community: What Defines a Theory as Scientific?" Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

HISTORY OF MEDICINE/LECTURE

The Josiah C. Trent Society for the History of Medicine is sponsoring a lecture on "Disease and Defeat of the British Army in America, 1778-1781." Jeff Baker will be speaking. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 29th, 1981, at 8:00 p.m., in the History of Medicine Reading Room of the Medical Center Library. All are welcome.

SEX-ED FOR SEVENTH GRADERS

Anyone interested in teaching sex-ed to 7th graders this Spring should contact Carolyn Chanry (471-1312) or Matt Ralston (286-4978) before Friday January 23rd.

CAMP COUNSELORS NEEDED/QUEBEC

Camp Kapitachouane, a boys camp on Lake Choiseul 360 miles northwest of Montreal in Central Quebec, needs medical counselors for Summer 1981. Any 1st, 2nd, or 3rd year medical student who is in good health and is a competent swimmer, who is looking for hard work on a wilderness canoe trip, and who has an ability to get along with and lead boys 12-16 years

old, is asked to write to :

Roderick Beebe, Jr.
 The Gunnery School
 Washington, connecticut

The salary for eight weeks (two 3½ week trips) will be \$775-\$825 depending on experience. A flyer describing the camp will be posted to the bulletin board in the 6th floor lounge.

AMSA NOTES

Applications are in for the 1981 Study Tours to Kenya and Cuba. Both tours are this summer. Deadline for the Kenya tour is January 31 and for the Cuba tour, April 1. Anyone interested please contact Alan Shelton at Box 2854. Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 27, at 7 pm in room 428 CTL.

RENEWAL OF SYSTEMS*

*An informal gathering of clinical faculty, housestaff, and medical students of all classes on selected Friday afternoons from 5 until 7 during the year. Beer, soft drinks, and snacks will be provided as an additional enticement.

THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY
 AND FAMILY MEDICINE

and the Davison Society, the medical student organization, are co-sponsoring the next reception. You and the other department members are specially invited by the medical students to be our guests.

WHEN: FRIDAY, JANUARY 23, 1981
 5:00 - 7:00 PM

WHERE: THE BALLROOM ON THE SECOND FLOOR
 OF THE UNION BUILDING ON
 WEST CAMPUS

