LRDC SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



The mission of the LRDC at the University of Pittsburgh is to advance the science of learning by bringing together leading researchers in the cognitive, social, and educational sciences. This mission has guided LRDC in its programs of basic and applied research, its demonstration projects, and its direct support of school improvement and reform.

The Learning Research and Development Center (LRDC) at the University of Pittsburgh is seeking summer undergraduate interns to promote broader participation in training in the Learning Sciences. We aim to bring students to LRDC who embody the diversity of our nation, region, and city. LRDC interns would gain experience in the Learning Sciences (research on instruction and learning) by working on a project with a faculty member who specializes in this area. Interns may also work with advanced graduate students or postdoctoral fellows in the faculty members' labs.

Faculty have primary appointments in the Department of Psychology, and the Schools of Education, Law, and Computing and Information. For a list of potential faculty mentors and research topics, see: http://www.lrdc.pitt.edu/ Diversity/faculty_mentors.cshtml. Although applications from all undergraduate students will be considered, these internships are most appropriate for students who will be entering the final year of undergraduate study. These internships will provide valuable experience for students who intend to apply for graduate programs, and will include professional development seminars run by the internship director and LRDC graduate students.

The internship program will run from May 21-July 1, 2017 and all participants are expected to be in residence for the entire program. Room and board will be provided. A limited number of travel supplements are available to fund student travel to and from Pittsburgh.

Eligibility requirements: Students should have a primary field of study in an area relevant to the learning sciences. GPA should be over 3.0; however promise can be demonstrated through other means, such as student letters of recommendation, student background, research experience, etc. The University of Pittsburgh is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity Institution. Women and members of under-represented minority groups are especially encouraged to apply.

Email questions to the intern program director, Natasha Tokowicz, at <u>Tokowicz@pitt.edu</u>.

Applications are due no later than April 1 and should be completed at the following website: https://form.jotform.com/70255962909162. Applicants will be informed of the decision by April 10. One or more letters of recommendation from a faculty member should be submitted on behalf of applicants directly to LRDCinterns@Pitt.edu by April 1.

