

Applications for Summer Research Scholarships for Dental Students

A message from Professor Marc McKee, Associate Dean of Research:

Dear Dent-P, Dent-1 and Dent-2 dental students –

Please find attached information concerning our summer research program along with the application form found as the last page in the file.

If you are interested in this, please read the attached guidelines carefully, and file the application for the deadline of **March 1st** (this leaves you the month of February to find a supervisor willing to take you into their laboratory).

The program lasts for 2 months over the summer, usually through July and August.

Everything else you need to know is explained in the attached document.

Dr. Simon Tran has indicated (in advance) that he has an opening for a student in the field of salivary gland research.

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**FACULTY OF DENTISTRY
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SUMMER RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DENTAL STUDENTS - 2013

APPROXIMATELY 6-8 RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS are available to support basic science or clinical research projects carried out in the summer by McGill undergraduate dental students currently in Dent-P, Dent-1 or Dent-2.

Students wishing to participate in this program must submit an application (see below). All McGill undergraduate summer research dental students (including Dent-P) doing original research (i.e. not literature reviews) will present posters at the Table Clinics Event (usually held in February) and will be judged there for the Hinman Prize which covers expenses to attend and present their work at the Hinman Student Research Symposium held in Memphis, Tennessee.

To be in this program and to qualify for this award, the research work must be completed under the supervision of a full-time or a part-time academic staff member of McGill University, preferably associated with the Faculty of Dentistry. At the end of the summer, students should begin preparing a poster presentation that describes the results of their summer research – this poster is mandatory and will be presented at Table Clinics Event (please discuss with Dr. Benhamou in December). Students will also be invited and encouraged to present the same poster at the Faculty's annual Research Day typically held in March.

PERIOD OF RESEARCH: 8 wks (thus, targeted to Dent-P, 1st and 2nd yr students where this 8-wk period of time is available in July and August).

STUDENT STIPEND: To be determined (approx. \$1,300 per mo.)

APPLICATION: The application form is included here. Office contact, and completed and signed forms by email or hardcopy, to:

Ms. Marlene Balena, 398-7203 ext. 00801,
Dentistry's Central Office, Strathcona Bldg. (main floor),
(marlene.balena@mcgill.ca)

DEADLINE: Please return the completed applications to Ms. Balena no later than **Friday March 1st.**

NOTE: Should there be more applicants than positions we can fund, submissions will be evaluated competitively and ranked. Applicants will be informed of the decision a few weeks after the submission deadline.

Only one application per student is allowed. Supervisors may submit multiple applications, but if the competition is

oversubscribed (which it usually is), supervisors are eligible for only one student and may be asked to choose.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING APPLICATION FORM FOR SUMMER RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

1. Locate a Professor willing to serve as your research supervisor for the summer, perhaps initially after reviewing their research interests at our website at:

<http://www.mcgill.ca/dentistry/research/our-researchers>

There are no restrictions concerning the nature of the research to be carried out or the site where it is to be done but the supervisor should be a full-time or part-time staff member of McGill University, preferably affiliated with the Faculty of Dentistry.

2. **In February**, discuss with the professor projects that could be done over 8 weeks of the summer. After you have identified and agreed upon a research area with your supervisor, fill out the application form with an appropriate title and brief description of proposed research, and sign and date the application you will also need to get the signature of your supervisor.
3. A second page may be added describing any additional information about yourself or the proposed research project that you feel would be of interest in the evaluation of your application. Please let us know if you have had any previous research experience, if you have been an author or co-author on any published abstracts and/or scientific papers, etc.
4. Return the completed and signed application form by email or hardcopy by **Friday March 1st** to Ms. Marlene Balena, Dentistry's Central Office, Strathcona Building (main floor)(398-7203, ext. 00801, marlene.balena@mcgill.ca).

If the program has more applications than it can fund (which is usually the case), decisions will be made based on factors such as cGPA, experience in research, comments from the supervisor, the nature of the project and the training environment, and the availability of funds from the Faculty and from the supervisor.

APPLICATION FORM - Summer Research Scholarship

Name of Student: _____ Year in Faculty (e.g. Dent-1): _____

Proposed Director: _____

Faculty/Department & Building/Address (where research will be carried out):

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED RESEARCH PROJECT

Title: _____

Summary (limited to this space, font 11):

Signatures: _____
Student Supervisor

Date: _____

Return by March 1st:

**Ms. Marlene Balena (marlene.balena@mcgill.ca)
Strathcona Bldg. Dentistry Central Office (main floor)**