2009 Undergraduate Summer Internship Program (<u>June 15 - August 14, 2009</u>)
Division of Biological Sciences \* Harvard School of Public Health \* Boston, MA

## A 9-week laboratory-based biological research program for undergraduates during the summer following their sophomore or junior years

Up to 12 internships awarded by a competitive process

**INTERNSHIP** is a paid, intensive 9-week research program under the direction of a Harvard faculty mentor:

PROGRAM GOAL is to expose college science students (who will be juniors or seniors in the fall of 2009) to the rewards of laboratory research directed toward solving important public health problems. The overall mission of our program is to recruit qualified students for graduate-level training leading to research careers in the biological sciences.

ELIGIBILITY: To qualify for this National Institutes of Health and School-sponsored program applicants must be a US citizen or permanent resident (proof of permanent residency must be provided) from a member of a group that is underrepresented in graduate education (African American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian/Alaskan Natives, Pacific Islander or Multiracial/Biracial); OR a first-generation college student(neither parent or legal guardian has a bachelor's degree) as defined by the U.S. Department of Education; OR a low-income student as defined by the U.S. Department of Education.

**RESEARCH:** Interns apply state-of-the art technology in their own research projects under the direction of a Harvard faculty member. Research projects focus on biological science questions that are important to the *prevention of disease*.

DISEASE AREAS include infections (malaria, TB, parasites), cancer, lung diseases, multifactorial, multigenic and common diseases of aging, diabetes, obesity, etc.

SCIENTIFIC APPROACHES: regulation of cell growth and gene regulation, cellular metabolism, DNA modification, cellular signaling, structure-function analyses, etc.

**FACULTY:** include specialists in the fields of genetics and complex diseases, immunology and infectious diseases, environmental health sciences, nutrition and cardiovascular research.

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT** over the course of 9 weeks includes a stipend of \$3,460, a travel allowance of up to \$475 and *free* dormitory housing.

APPLICATIONS may be down loaded from our Web site or requested at the e-mail address listed below. In addition to the completed application form, we require a one-page statement describing your long-term career goals in biological research, an official college transcript and two letters of reference. Please send all application materials together in one packet to:

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DEADLINE: January 30, 2009 for receipt of all application materials

NOTIFICATION OF SELECTION: anticipated by early-March, 2009