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Institute on Neuroscience (ION)@Yerkes Summer 2013

The Yerkes National Primate Research Center and Georgia State University in partnership with the Center for Behavioral Neuroscience invite you to apply for the Institute on Neuroscience (ION)@Yerkes, an eight-week paid summer research opportunity. We are looking for highly motivated high school students who have taken at least one college-level science course (e.g., AP Biology, Honors Chemistry, etc.) and have at least a B average (3.0 on a 4.0 scale or the equivalent). We will give preference to students who will complete their junior or senior years in spring 2013.

The program begins June 3 and concludes July 26, 2013. Scholars will be required to attend a lunch on a Saturday in May (specific date TBD) to meet the program mentors. Once the program begins, Scholars are required to be present for the entire eight-week program and may not be otherwise employed. The program is divided into two segments:

First one-and-a-half weeks – Scholars will participate in an introductory neuroscience curriculum at the Yerkes National Primate Research Center that will include lectures, discussions, readings and hands-on activities. Scholars may also tour research facilities to explore state-of-the-art research techniques and participate in workshops on topics such as scientific communication, scientific ethics and careers in neuroscience; and

Next six-and-a-half weeks – Scholars will engage in a mentored laboratory research project. This mentored research may take place at Yerkes, Emory University, Georgia State University, the Georgia Institute of Technology or Morehouse College.

We will pay Scholars hourly wages for their full-time commitment of 40 hrs/week during the eight-week program. Scholars are expected to provide their own transportation between their homes and the program sites on a daily basis as well as provide their own meals. We can help arrange housing for Scholars who do not live in Atlanta, but Scholars will be expected to pay for their own housing costs. Scholars must also provide immunization records, negative TB test results within the last six months and negative drug test results.

Applicants must include signatures from one of your science teachers and, if you are a minor, one of your parents on the application form, as well as submit two letters of recommendation from teachers, counselors or other community leaders (who are not related to you).

Please postmark or email your completed application by **March 11, 2013**; details are on the application. You must also submit an official, registrar-sealed transcript, which can be mailed separately, by the due date.

We will interview the top applicants before making offers of acceptance into the program. Our goal is to interview applicants at the end of March and extend offers the week of April 8, 2013.

Please contact Devyn Carter at devyn.carter@emory.edu if you have questions. We look forward to receiving your application.

Do you have any relatives who work at Yerkes? _____ If yes, please provide details below.

II. Educational Information:

Name and City of High School _____

Address of High School _____

Phone number of High School _____

Projected Graduation Date _____

Cumulative GPA (based on 4.0 scale) _____

Provide scores for at least one of the following standardized tests:

SAT or PSAT Score

ACT Score

SAT Math:

Math:

SAT Verbal:

English:

PSAT Math:

Science:

PSAT Verbal:

Reading:

Please list all Advanced Placement, honors or other college-level science courses you have completed (or expect to complete this year):

III. Activities, Honors and Awards (You may attach a separate sheet if necessary):

Are you a member of the Science National Honor Society? _____

Name of SNHS Chapter _____ Advisor _____

Have you participated in any science-related special events, such as a brain bee, neuroscience expo or science Olympiad? _____ If yes, please provide details:

VIII. Certification

My signature below affirms the information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. *I also affirm that I can arrange for my own transportation and meals, and am available to work full time every day for the duration of the program.* I grant the program committee the use of my official school transcript when reviewing my application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Science Teacher (required for all applicants)

Date

If you are under 18 years old, a parent or guardian must sign that he or she has read the above statement and approves your application.

Signature of Parent/Guardian (if applicant is under 18)

Date

All materials must be postmarked or emailed by March 11, 2013. Send your completed information to:

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