

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Toxicology Mentoring and Skills Development Training Program Application

The purpose of this funded grant is to attract ethnically/racially/culturally diverse, high achieving undergraduate students to pursue careers in toxicology. The research team is inviting students currently majoring in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) fields and who have an interest in pursuing graduate *work and careers in toxicology or other health-related careers*. Successful applicants selected for the program will receive valuable resources and materials, participate in online learning modules, receive expert mentoring, attend one or more national conferences, and interact with their counterparts both at ISU and Tuskegee University, and receive a *Certificate of Completion of the Toxicology Mentoring and Skills Development Training Program*, all while continuing their degree programs. ***We are now recruiting the second cohort of students for a two-semester program, starting Fall 2017 semester.***

Qualifications for ISU students:

- U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Identify as a member of an underrepresented ethnic/racial group (African American, Native American, Latino/Chicano/Hispanic American, Asian American, Pacific Islander)
- 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher
- Sophomore, junior or senior who will complete the Spring 2018 semester.
- Pursuing a STEM major

To apply, please submit:

- A brief cover letter (1-2 pages, typed) explaining in general why you believe ethnic, racial, and/or cultural diversity and inclusion are important in society, careers, and/or the workplace. Also, express your interest in the potential of pursuing graduate work and a career in the field of toxicology or a health-related career.
- A resume or vita (typed)
- Unofficial ISU transcript
- Contact information (email address; phone number) for a least one reference (preferably a professor in your major field). (You do not need a reference letter at this point but obtain permission from the reference to list him or her and in your application letter give the grant team permission to contact the reference.)
- Submit **electronically** with above attachments to:
 - pleigh@iastate.edu
 - [subject line] NIH toxicology grant application [your last name]
 - [Inside address for pdf letter]
 - NIH Toxicology Selection Committee
% Dr. Patricia R. Leigh, Professor Emerita
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For full consideration, apply by **Monday, May 1, 2017 at 5:00pm CDT**. Selected applicants may be asked to interview before the process becomes final. For more information, you may also contact Dr. Leigh at the address or email above, who is also a grant team member.