

The Cal State LA Biomedical PREP Program



Do you plan to work for a year or two after receiving your BS/BA before starting a PhD program?

California State University Los Angeles in collaboration with the **University of Southern California** and the **City of Hope National Comprehensive Cancer Center** offers a great opportunity to develop your career through the Biomedical Post-Baccalaureate Research Education Program (Biomed PREP). The Program targets underrepresented minority group members who are recent graduates and intend to start a PhD program within one to two years.

The Program

You will be employed as a technician while undergoing career advancement through a post-baccalaureate research training program in any one of more than 50 productive laboratories at

- **California State University Los Angeles**
- **University of Southern California.** Main Campus and Health Sciences Campus
- **City of Hope National Comprehensive Cancer Center**

As a Biomed PREP Scholar you will work closely with your research mentor and other Program staff as you prepare for a career in biomedical or behavioral research. Three quarters of your time will be spent in the research laboratory. The remaining quarter will be an individually tailored development plan created for you and consisting of limited coursework, seminars and workshops. The expected result is that after your Biomed PREP appointment, you will be competitive for admission to a graduate program leading to the PhD at a major research institution.

Financial Support

A PREP appointment provides a salary of **\$21,000 per year**, with full benefits (including health insurance). Costs of enrolling in courses or workshops for academic and professional development are provided, including preparation for the Graduate Record Exam. Travel funds to professional meetings are available.

How to Apply

You must have completed an undergraduate degree in the natural or behavioral sciences within 36 months of appointment on July 1, and taken the Graduate Record Exam. The GRE is used only as an indicator that you intend to pursue the PhD subsequent to PREP. The deadline for applications is April 21.

Application forms and additional information about the Biomed PREP and other Cal State LA Minority Opportunities in Research Programs may be obtained from our web site at:

www.calstatela.edu/moreprograms You can also contact us at morepro@calstatela.edu or (323) 343-2395.