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R.I.S.E. Program

Description

Research Initiative for Scientific Enhancement (RISE) promotes support for developing careers in biomedical applications. The RISE program is funded by a federal grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and is administered by program director Dr. Teresa Turner. ECS scholars supported by RISE must be interested in a career in biomedical research, work closely with faculty mentors on research projects, receive funding to work with off-island mentors during the summer and have specific responsibilities.

Eligibility

To be a RISE scholar, a student must:

- Be enrolled full time at UVI
- Have a GPA of 2.75 or above.
- Be a US citizen or permanent resident
- Major in mathematics, chemistry, biology, marine biology, computer science, psychology, or nursing
- Be interested in a career in biomedical research
- Willing to fulfil responsibilities specified by the program

Benefits

The benefits of being a RISE scholar include:

- Work of up to 15 hours a week paid at a rate of \$12 per hour during the academic year; 35 hours a week during the summer
- Work with a mentor on research project (supplies provided)
- Travel to scientific meetings
- Special workshops and help in applying to graduate schools and summer programs
- Funding to work with off-island mentors during the summer

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ECS Mission

The mission of the Emerging Caribbean Scientists (ECS) Program is to increase research training and promote excellence for STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics), including psychology, & nursing students at the University of the Virgin Islands.

ECS Goals

- ◆ Increase the number of students majoring in STEM
- ◆ Better prepare students in STEM disciplines for post grad careers
- ◆ Support faculty research by providing funding opportunities for research on and off campus
- ◆ Provide funding for undergraduate student research
- ◆ Provide role models for UVI students through the visiting scientists program
- ◆ Provide for enhanced curriculum through development and adoption of innovative instruction

Emerging Caribbean Scientists (ECS) Programs

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