Summer Internship (SI) Support Grant for High School Students

The Maryland Section of the American Chemical Society offers a Summer Internship (SI) program for Maryland high school students. Students may apply to receive up to $2,000.00 grant for research in a Maryland university laboratory. The applicant should have finished a year of high school chemistry by the time the summer internship begins.

The student will conduct research under the supervision of a university professor, attend research meetings and seminars in the chemistry department, and receive career mentoring.

The internship will generally begin the week after the student’s high school ends for the semester of the current year, and will last through the first week of August (6 – 8 weeks). These dates might be slightly altered in consultation with the research mentor. The student will work in the lab about 35 hours/week.

At the end of the internship, the student will write a two page report describing their research and what they learned from their work in the laboratory. With the help of their supervisor they will also make a recorded oral presentation.

The application should include:
- your complete name, school grade, a copy of your high school transcript
- a 250-word personal statement of interest, “Why I want to do this summer research
- a letter of recommendation from one of your high school science teachers, preferably your chemistry teacher

The student is responsible for their own transportation to and from the research laboratory. The student will bring their own lunch.

Applications will be accepted starting February 1 of the current year. The deadline is March 1 of that year; decisions will be announced by March 15.

To a certain extent the decisions will be made on a first come, first served basis; however the goal is to allow students from as many schools as possible to attend, so special consideration will be given to the first student who applies from each high school.

Submit your application with complete documentation to Dr. Louise Hellwig by e-mail: Louise.Hellwig@morgan.edu