



2019 SRTP Students presenting at MGH Research Day

## Application Process

The deadline for completed [2020 SRTP Application](#), as well as supporting materials is 5:00 pm on Friday, January 17, 2020.

A complete application must include:

### Part I: [SRTP Application](#)

You must upload the following items with this application:

- *Personal Statement*
- *Supplemental Essay Question*
- *Resume*
- *Professional Photo*

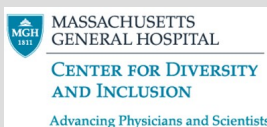
### Part II: [Supporting Documents](#)

- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Official college, graduate, and/or medical school transcripts.
- Medical students must submit a transcript or a Letter of Good Standing.

*\*Underrepresented in medicine (URM) for the purpose of this program are those individuals belonging to a particular ethnic or racial group which has been considered by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) to be underrepresented in biomedical research (relative to their numbers in the general population). These groups may include Latino/Hispanic, African-American/Black, American Indian, Native Hawaiian and Alaskan Natives, among others. Sources: [AAMC](#), [NIH](#) and [National Science Foundation](#)*

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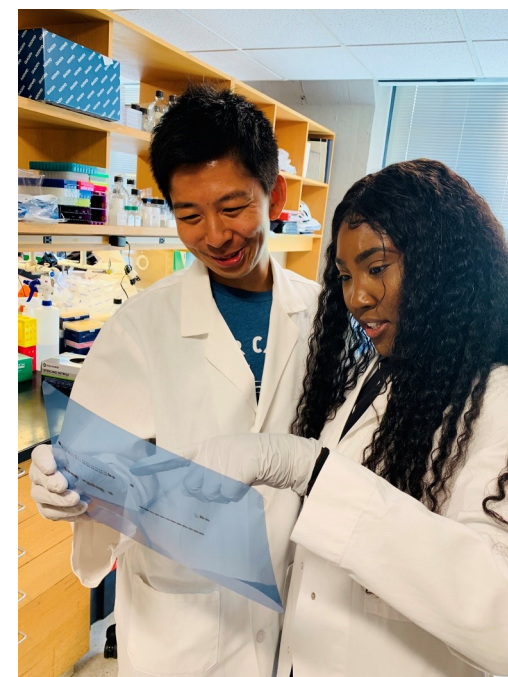


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## SUMMER RESEARCH TRAINEE PROGRAM (SRTP)





2019 SRTP students

## 2019 Summer Research Trainee Program

CDI founded the Summer Research Trainee Program (SRTP) in 1992 to inspire URM students to consider careers in academic medicine and biomedical research. Since SRTP was founded, more than 330 students have participated in the program. As a result of our commitment to mentorship and career development, SRTP received the 2017 HMS Award for Program Excellence in Mentoring. From June to August 2017, 20 college and medical school students came to Mass General to conduct novel research with MGH faculty preceptors in basic science labs, clinical research sites, health policy and health services settings in 13 departments. Assignments were carefully considered and made with each student's research and career interests in mind. Students were exposed to group mentorship, career workshops, research seminars, and networking and social events with the CDI community. The program culminated with presentations to the MGH research community, where students received feedback and evaluations from a panel of research faculty. Each year, several students continue working in their SRTP research sites beyond the summer and publish their work. Participants have stated that the program added tangible value to their subsequent training and career decision making, including a marked impact on their decision to pursue careers in an academic medical setting.

## Program Terms

2020 SRTP applications will open on Monday, November 18th, 2019.

SRTP is a mandatory eight-week program, running from the beginning of June to the first week of August.

Students are paired with an MGH faculty preceptor who provides guidance and mentorship in a new or ongoing research project. Students are expected to:

- Attend a full day orientation on the first date of the program.
- Prepare an abstract of the research project
- Prepare an oral presentation of their work at the completion of the program
- Attend mandatory weekly didactic seminars and career mentoring sessions
- Complete all program, hospital and occupational health requirements (e.g. vaccination)

Once accepted, SRTP provides the following support and mentorship during the eight-week period of the program:

## Financial Support

- Housing near Harvard Medical School (no cost to the student)
- \$5,000 living stipend for food and other necessities
- Travel grants based on demonstrated need (FAFSA required)
- Meals provided at all didactic sessions

*"In addition to helping me develop critical research skills in a short time period, SRTP exposed me to great mentors and interdisciplinary collaborators, and taught me the importance of being creative in science. I felt incredibly supported and came back to complete my fellowship in Oncology, and now direct the Cancer Program in the MGH Center for Systems Biology."*

*Cesar Castro, MD, MMSc, Medical Gynecologic Oncology, 2001 SRTP participant, 2013 Physician/ Scientist Development Award recipient*



2019 SRTP Student during the Final Presentation

## Mentorship

- Research mentorship by prominent MGH investigators and their research teams
- Career coaching and guidance by CDI staff and leaders in academic
- Weekly didactic sessions
- Social and career networking opportunities with SRTP cohort, and MGH trainees and faculty.

## Eligibility

SRTP is open to students who meet the following criteria:

- Underrepresented in medicine (URM)\*
- Undergraduate junior or senior, rising 1<sup>st</sup> year medical student, or 1<sup>st</sup> year medical student, graduate school student, or post-baccalaureate student (note: freshman and sophomores not eligible)
- Attended/attending a college or medical school in the US and Puerto Rico
- US citizens or permanent residents
- If accepted, proof of health insurance will be required