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SIPBS Summer Research Internships



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Strathclyde Institute of Pharmacy & Biomedical Sciences



What is an internship?

- A period of professional work experience
- May be paid, unpaid or partially-paid (stipend)
- Usually funded by a third-party (e.g. learned society or charity)
- Often competitive; may be prestigious



What do you get out of it?

- Knowledge, skills and experience in a real research environment
- Contribute to answering real cutting-edge research questions
- Establish connections and network in the field
- Prestige
- Find out if research is the career for you

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In what areas do we offer projects?

- Cellular Basis of Disease
- Cancer and inflammatory disease
- Cardiovascular and metabolic disease
- Neuroscience and mental health
- Computational Biology/Bioinformatics
- Industrial Biotechnology
- Microbiology
- Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Drug discovery, formulation and delivery
- Materials and manufacture
- Pharmacoepidemiology & Health Care



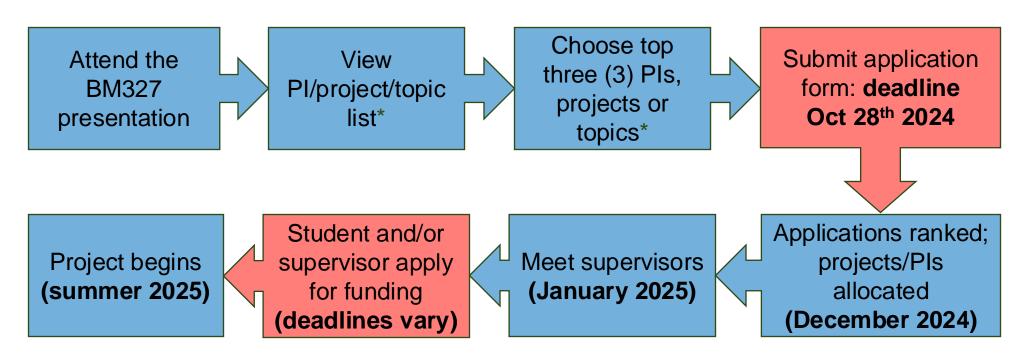
SIPBS Project Matching

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What is the procedure?

*You can approach Pls/groups independently of the matching process



- If you are shortlisted for a SIPBS internship, this does not come with financial support
- Any financial support must be obtained either by the PI, or the student with the support of the PI



What are the selection criteria?

- Applicants are ranked by 2nd year credit-weighted average (%CWA)
- Other criteria are applied for 3rd year direct entrants; 2-4 places reserved
- The highest-ranked students (usually 8-10 in total, but dependent on projects offered) are allocated to projects/PIs on the basis of student preference
- Applicants may be excluded from consideration on the basis of January examination results (e.g. failing mark)



What next?

- Select from the PIs and projects at:
- https://sipbs-compbiol.github.io/sipbs-internships/projects/2024-25.html
- Download the Internship Application Form
- https://classes.myplace.strath.ac.uk/mod/resource/view.php?id=1774870
- BM327: Being A Biomolecular Scientist 3 on MyPlace (Development, Employability and Careers): https://classes.myplace.strath.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=21691#section-4
- Complete the form with 150-word personal statement
- Submit completed form by Monday 28th October 2024
- Email the completed form to: philip.brown@strath.ac.uk



Application form

Summer Placement Application Form

Surname	First Name	
Reg. No.	Nationality	
Email	Degree Course	

Please indicate a preferred research topic and/or supervisor

(please note that preference is for guidance only; we cannot guarantee to offer you a specific placement)

Supporting statement (150-word limit)

(This should briefly outline why you would be a good candidate for a summer placement, what you hope to gain from it and how this will support your career development. Please also provide any other information that is relevant to your application)

Any other relevant information?

FORM SHOULD BE EMAILED TO PHILIP BROWN at philip.brown@strath.ac.uk
DEADLINE IS MONDAY 28th OCTOBER 2024



Routes other than SIPBS Project Matching



A SIPBS non-matching route

- Approach a Pl/group you might like to work with
- Ask if they might be interested in taking you on as an intern
- https://www.strath.ac.uk/research/subjects/pharmacybiomedicalsciences/



University support

- Careers Service
- "Source your own internship & placement: It's very important to be proactive in your job search. Do not wait for vacancies to be advertised - it might never happen. Many organisations do not need to advertise their work experience opportunities, as they receive hundreds of speculative applications from students."
- https://www.strath.ac.uk/professionalservices/careers/students/workexperience/internshipsplacements/
- https://www.strath.ac.uk/professionalservices/careers/students/makingapplications/makingspeculativeapplications/



Online resources

- Internship search at e4s
- Internship search at graduatejobs.com
- Internship search at prospects.ac.uk
- Internship search at ratemyplacement.co.uk
- Internship search at targetjobs.co.uk
- Internship search at brightnetwork.co.uk
- Internship search at milkround.com
- Internship search at gradcracker.com

Summer Research Placements

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You apply to these opportunities independently, however, the exchange team are happy to assist with any application support. Please email outgoing-exchanges@strath.ac.uk



OPPORTUNITY	Link	WHERE	WHO CAN GO	INFORMATION	Is there funding?
Amgen Scholars Program Application opens on 1st November closes 1st February.		Switzerland , France, Germany, Sweden	Science & Engineering Undergraduate students	9 week programme During the program, students work full-time on independent research projects under the guidance of a research scientist.	You receive a schoalrship - the amount varied depending on institution.
SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL PRE- GRADUATE AWARD (SIPGA) Deadline: 1st November		Singapore	3rd and 4th year undergraduate and master's students STEM courses.	range of projects you can apply for of two to six months in duration (between May - August).	Monthly stipend of S\$2,000
The University of Tokyo Research Internship Programme (UTRIP) Application November Closes in January		Japan	between 3rd and 4th year of a natural science or similar field	Must commit to 6 weeks between June - August	Free housing and 160,000JPY allowance
RISE Germany Application opens October 15 to November 30, 2024.		Germany	Completed at least 2 years of study in the following fields: SIPBS, chemistry, computer science, physics, earth sciences or engineering	May 15 and July 15, 2025 for a duration of three months (minimum stay ten weeks, maximum stay 90 days)	a monthly scholarship of 992 Euros



Where to get funding

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Where can you get funding?

- An incomplete list... (see MyPlace)
- You or your supervisor may need do be a member of the funding organization to be eligible.
- Interns@Strathclyde: https://www.strath.ac.uk/studywithus/scholarships/researchinternsstrathclyde/
- Carnegie Trust: https://www.carnegie-trust.org/award-schemes/vacation-scholarships/
- Saltire Internships: https://www.entrepreneurialscotland.com/2023-apply-now
- Wellcome Trust: https://wellcome.ac.uk/grant-funding/schemes/biomedical-vacation-scholarships
- British Society for Cell Biology: https://bscb.org/competitions-awardsgrants/studentships/
- Biochemical Society: https://www.biochemistry.org/grants-and-awards/grants-and-bursaries/summer-vacation-studentships/
- Medical Research Scotland: https://medicalresearchscotland.org.uk/undergraduate-vacation-scholarship/
- Microbiology Society: https://microbiologysociety.org/grants/travel-research/harry-smith-vacation-studentships.html
- Society for Applied Microbiology: https://sfam.org.uk/career/grants/summer-student-placement-scholarship.html
- Physiological Society: https://www.physoc.org/grants-and-prizes/grants/research-springboard-studentship/
- Experimental Psychology Society: https://eps.ac.uk/undergraduate-research-bursary/
- A long list at Royal Society of Biology: https://www.rsb.org.uk/get-involved/grants/undergraduate-studentships

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How do you get paid?

- Depends on the funder...
- There may be output requirements, e.g. production of a project report or poster presentation: may need to be met for fund release.
- READ THE SMALL PRINT IN THE APPLICATION FORM/DESCRIPTION!
- When?
- Before the project starts (British Pharmacological Society)
- During the project
- After the project (Medical Research Scotland)
- How?
- Through university/department
- Directly

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