



# Become a Mentor!

Host a DF/HCC summer student in  
Summer 2022 -- we need YOU to foster  
the next generation of STEM leaders!

## DF/HCC STUDENT TRAINING PROGRAMS: MISSION

DF/HCC provides high school and college students from underrepresented and disadvantaged backgrounds comprehensive hands-on mentored research experiences and guidance in academic and professional development. Our mission is to:

- PROVIDE ACCESS TO MASSACHUSETTS YOUTH
- BUILD THE PIPELINE OF TALENTED AND DIVERSE STEM RESEARCHERS
- ACHIEVE MEASUREABLE IMPACT FOR YOUNG STEM PROFESSIONALS
- CREATE AND FACILITATE OPPORTUNITIES IN MENTORSHIP FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS, POST DOCTORAL FELLOWS, AND FACULTY

## WHY MENTOR?

Your mentorship is the most impactful element of our student training programs!

### **MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

Positive mentoring relationships are critical for retaining students in the STEM pathway and your mentorship can make an impactful difference in the lives of young disadvantaged and underrepresented scholars.

### **TURN TRAINING INTO PRACTICE.**

We offer a mentor training series in the spring leading up to the summer experience. Put this training into practice with a student of your own!

### **CAREER DEVELOPMENT.**

This is not only is this an opportunity for you to make a difference – it is also an opportunity for you to invest in and demonstrate your own mentorship practice!

## EXPECTATIONS

- Commit to mentoring a student in Summer 2022
  - 8-12 week full-time commitment
  - May 31 to August 19
- Provide an appropriate research project, space, resources, and mentorship
- Oversee student creation of a learning plan, abstract, and scientific presentation of their projects
- Attend mandatory mentor orientation

## SIGN UP OR LEARN MORE!

Throughout the mentoring process we provide guidance and support. Please contact [iecdpartners.org](http://iecdpartners.org) with questions. To sign up, please fill out [this form](#).

**About DF/HCC and the Initiative to Eliminate Cancer Disparities (IECD).** Dana-Farber/Harvard Cancer Center (DF/HCC) is the largest comprehensive cancer center in the world, bringing together the cancer research efforts of seven renowned, Harvard-affiliated institutions: Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Children's Hospital Boston, Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, Harvard Medical School, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, and Massachusetts General Hospital. DF/HCC consists of more than 1,100 researchers with a singular goal – to find new and innovative ways to combat cancer. The CURE Umbrella of Programs is administered by the Initiative to Eliminate Cancer Disparities (IECD), created in 2001 to provide a centralized and coordinated structure for addressing the complexities of cancer disparities, including disparities in access to research training opportunities. It was among the nation's first integrated, inter-institutional, multi-pronged initiatives to address these concerns.