

PREP at The University of New Mexico Research Opportunity

Currently PREP is accepting applications for the 2013-2014 cohort. PREP stands for Post-baccalaureate Research and Education Program and is a National Institutes of Health (NIH) training program. PREP is designed to enhance the ability of under-represented individuals in the biomedical sciences to gain entry to, and succeed in, nationally recognized Ph.D. programs.

This program is for recent graduates who want to continue their education specifically in the biomedical sciences. PREP's main benefit is to engage the scholar in cutting edge research for one full year with a faculty mentor of your choice. We also offer many other benefits, such as, annual salary, health/dental benefits, GRE preparation classes, tuition for academic courses, travel support to attend conferences and social and cultural activities.

The eligibility requirements for this program are as followed: The applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and be a member of a group that is found to be under-represented in the biomedical sciences. A person who feels they are from a challenging or disadvantage background must be a recipient of a Bachelor's degree within the 36 months prior to the time of acceptance into the program. Also, the person must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 (out of 4.0). Demonstrate commitment to pursuing a Ph.D. in a biomedical research field and have little or no research laboratory experience.

This is a very interdisciplinary program that recruits and accepts applications from participating departments such as Biochemistry/Molecular Biology, Biology, Biomedical Sciences(6 departments), Chemical & Nuclear Engineering, Chemistry/Biological Chemistry, Computer Science, Physics & Astronomy and Psychology but not limited to the previous mentioned departments. Regardless of your undergraduate degree, if you have a sincere interest in pursuing a Ph.D. in a biomedical research field then this is definitely the program for you.

The application process involves many steps, but there is no hard deadline. The first step is to go to <https://unmjobs.unm.edu>, Search for a Posting number 0818051, then click View to access the application. Please submit a cover letter, resume/CV, personal statement, official transcripts, and three letters of reference. All these documents are required, and must be submitted before we can view your application.

For further questions or comments that you may have please contact the program coordinator, Antonio Bañuelos at PREP@unm.edu or jbanuelo@unm.edu or Tel: (505) 610- 1725.