

Pediatric Bioethics Summer Scholars Program

Purpose: The Children's Mercy Bioethics Center supports 1-3 Summer Scholars annually with an interest in Pediatric and Medical Ethics. Summer scholars will assist in the data collection and analysis on a designated research project, and also be exposed to a variety of hospital ethics over the course of the program. Our faculty fully support mentoring any student that may request working on a project of their own in the area of ethics.

Goals: This program is designed to provide students with a structured research experience in bioethics research and exposure to various aspects of the research process. This is a highly competitive program offering 1-3 positions on an annual basis to work with selected investigators on their current research projects.

Eligible Students: This program is primarily aimed at college students who have finished at least 2 years of their undergraduate education in a field related to medicine or allied health and have an interest in pursuing further education in the field of ethics. All applicants must have a 3.0 GPA or higher.

Mentors: Each summer scholar works closely with faculty on current academic research projects or they may work on a self-identified project of interest. All projects will be mentored by faculty of the Bioethics Center.

Project Time Frame: This program is expected to last six weeks, beginning the first week of June and lasting until the middle of July. Summer scholars will be expected to present their findings in a short presentation in front of Bioethics Center faculty and staff at the end of their program.

Funding: The Pediatric Bioethics Summer Scholar positions are funded by the Children's Mercy Bioethics Center. Summer scholars will be compensated with an hourly wage, payable biweekly.

How to Apply: Children's Mercy will be accepting applications via their online career website between the first and end of February. In addition to submitting an online application, applicants will need to submit a one-page statement expressing their interest in the position, their current CV, and the names and contact information for two references. If you have questions regarding the application process and exact dates, please contact Jennifer Pearl at jepearl@cmh.edu after January 15th.