Summer Scholars Research Program FAQs

General Info

1. What will my schedule look like while I am in the program?

Students are expected to be at Winship full time Monday through Friday from 8:00AM – 5:00PM for the duration of the program. Your mentor will ultimately decide your schedule and may alter this schedule as needed depending on the time commitments required to complete the planned project. Mentors are assigned a few weeks before the program begins.

2. What other activities do students participate outside of their research project?

As a Summer Scholars student, you will participate in weekly lectures on Tuesdays and Thursdays and regular field trips and events.

The SSRP program coordinator will send weekly e-mails with events, seminars, workshops, or lectures that may further supplement your education while in the program. These events are NOT mandatory. Previous examples of these events include the weekly Winship Grand Rounds Lectures and the Surgical Grand Rounds Lectures.

3. Do students receive identification?

SSRP students will receive an Emory Healthcare badge at the orientation. Students are required to wear their badge at ALL times while on Emory’s campus.

4. Are meals provided during the program?

Students should bring their own meals except during the Orientation, Final Symposium, the CDC Fieldtrip, the Survivors Day Brunch, and other days explicitly acknowledged by the SSRP program coordinator.

5. Who are the guest lecturers?

Guest lecturers are a variety of specialists who work in oncology, ranging from gastroenterologists to basic scientists to biostatisticians. The goal of the lectures is to expand a student’s idea of cancer research and expose students to the many jobs that those interested in the field of oncology can possess. Students will learn presentation skills to assist with their oral presentation for the Final Symposium and hear from the Dean of Admissions of the Emory School of Medicine about what medical schools are looking for in applicants.

6. What are the fieldtrips that students go on each year?

Each year, students visit the CDC David J. Sencer Museum and the Emory Proton Therapy Center. In the past students have also visited the Georgia Institute of Technology. Other fieldtrips may be added to the program at the program coordinator’s discretion.

7. What is the Final Symposium?

The Final Symposium is the culmination of all the hard work students have done throughout the summer. Students will present a poster presentation and a 10-minute oral presentation on their individual research projects for their fellow students and Winship faculty members.

8. When is the Final Symposium?
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The Final Symposium is held on the last day of the program.

9. What prior training do I need to complete my project?

Students do not need any prior training to participate in the program.

10. Can parents and family attend the Final Symposium?

Yes, we encourage students to invite their parents and family to attend, as well as science teachers or other application references.