

EXPLORE BIOSCIENCES

Diversity Awareness Partnership, BioSTL, Sigma-Aldrich & Venture Cafe'

Diversity Awareness Partnership (DAP) is investing in St. Louis high school students and local corporate businesses to ensure a positive future in the realm of diversity. This externship program has been developed to expose, empower, and encourage students of color to pursue STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) and other careers. DAP, BioSTL, Sigma-Aldrich and Venture Cafe' have partnered to develop this invaluable opportunity for high school students in St. Louis as a pipeline to potentially change their futures forever.

Preferred Student Qualifications:

- 2.5 or higher grade point average
- 10th, 11th, or 12th grade
- Interest in life sciences
- Must be a student of color (Alaska Native, African American, Asian, Bi/Multi-racial, Latino, Middle-Eastern, Native American, Pacific Islander, etc.)
- Must have parent consent and an arrangement for a guardian/adult to drive student to and from program. Adults are welcomed to stay throughout the 1/2 day program to observe/supervise student.

Location of EXPLORE Biosciences 1 & 3: Sigma-Aldrich | 2909 Laclede Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri 63103

Location of EXPLORE Biosciences 2: Venture Cafe' | 4202 Duncan Avenue, Saint Louis, Missouri 63110

Cost:

This is a free program; there is no cost to students participating. We simply ask that schools take responsibility in coordinating transportation for students. This is to ensure the attendance and safety of students participating in EXPLORE Biosciences. All sessions are from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Benefits of Being Accepted Into Program:

- Students can put on their college resumes: Externship at Sigma-Aldrich and Venture Cafe'
- Students have direct opportunities to network and seek an internship or shadowing experience with Sigma-Aldrich and entrepreneurs in the biosciences industry
- Students will learn about biosciences fields and what will be required of them for future hire/internship
- Students will understand why diversity in the field of life sciences is so important
- Free prizes & giveaways
- Breakfast & lunch provided at both sessions

Student Application Form: DUE DECEMBER 19, 2014

This form needs to be completed in full and signed by a parent/guardian to verify that they are in support of this program and will uphold all requirements for the success of your possible admittance. Upon submission, you will either be selected or waitlisted for the EXPLORE Biosciences program.

For questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact: Justin Raymundo, Program Manager

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IMPORTANT DATES

DECEMBER 19, 2014

Student Applications Due

JANUARY 5, 2015

Results of Applications Announced

EXPLORE BIOSCIENCES SESSIONS

Session 1: January 22, 2015 (Sigma-Aldrich)
 Session 2: February 24, 2015 (Venture Cafe')
 Session 3: March 10, 2015 (Sigma-Aldrich)



EXPLORE BIOSCIENCES STUDENT APPLICATION

Student Name:

Home Address:

School Name:

Phone Number: Email:

Grade Level: [] 10th [] 11th [] 12th Class Rank: of G.P.A. (4.0 scale):

Race / Ethnicity: [] Alaska Native [] African American [] Asian [] Bi/Multi-racial [] Latino [] Middle-Eastern [] Native American [] Pacific Islander []

Gender: [] Male [] Female [] Self-Identify

If admitted into the program, who will be available to send you to the externship program?

(Must be over 18)

Name: Signature:

Relationship [] Counselor [] Teacher [] Parent [] Guardian [] Other

Email: Cell Phone:

If interested in an internship experience, do you understand that this is something you will have to seek out during this program on your own by building connections with EXPLORE Biosciences' mentors?

[] Yes [] No

APPLICANT'S COMMITMENT

By signing this form below, (student name), is granted permission to participate in the EXPLORE Biosciences Program. I acknowledge that I understand the program expectations and deadlines of the EXPLORE Biosciences Program.

Table with 2 columns: Application Deadline, Date. Rows include EXPLORE Biosciences Session 1, 2, and 3 with their respective dates.

I also understand that the individual named above will be photographed, filmed or videotaped by or for program staff to be used in any medium. The undersigned hereby on behalf of individual named above agrees to waive any right, claim or cause of action, against Diversity Awareness Partnership, BioSTL, Sigma-Aldrich, and Venture Cafe', its members, or staff.

Student Signature: Date:

Parent /Guardian Signature: Date:

EXPLORE BIOSCIENCES STUDENT APPLICATION

SHORT ANSWER

Answer questions 1 & 2 as an attachment or write in the space below. (700 word limit per question)

1. Why are you the best candidate for the EXPLORE Biosciences program?

2. What are your career goals?

SCHOOL REFERENCES

Provide two school references (adult staff at your school whom you trust to discuss you in a positive manner).

Name	Position	Phone Number	Email

Submit application at via email at jraymundo@dapstl.org, fax at 314.621.9232 or mail to: Justin Raymundo, 815 Olive Street Suite 23, Saint Louis, MO 63101. Application must be RECEIVED by December 19, 2014.