The Leadership Alliance is a consortium of more than 30 colleges and universities working together to increase the number of underrepresented minority students entering graduate programs and the professoriate. The Summer Research–Early Identification Program (SR-EIP) gives undergraduate students an opportunity to gain research experience.

The SR-EIP at the University of Chicago is a fully paid summer internship that provides undergraduates with training and mentoring in the principles of conducting research and prepares them to pursue a PhD or MD-PhD. The University of Chicago offers a nine-week residential program exposing students to three program components: research, mentorship, and graduate school preparation.

**Research Divisions Include:**
- Biological Sciences Division
- Humanities Division
- Physical Sciences Division
- Social Sciences Division

**Humanities and Social Sciences Participants**
- Meet weekly with faculty mentors who provide research oversight
- Take an academic and professional writing course to learn how to effectively communicate about research
- Participate in structured writing groups focused on the components of research writing
- Obtain critical writing feedback from peers

**STEM Participants**
- Engage in daily lab sessions with faculty mentors
- Gain theoretical knowledge and practical methodological training in academic research and scientific experimentation
- Attend weekly coaching sessions led by advanced STEM graduate students
- Participate in research and ethics workshops

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All students participate in weekly professional development workshops focused on how to navigate the academy. Topics include:

• How to Get the Mentoring you Need
• Self-Care and Community
• Communicating Your Research
• Graduate Admissions Process
• Preparing Graduate School Applications (CV/résumé, statement of purpose, etc.)
• Fellowships and Study Abroad

All participants present their research at the Leadership Alliance National Symposium as well as at the University of Chicago Research Symposia.

Eligibility Requirements
All applicants must:

• Currently be enrolled full-time at an accredited public or private college or university in the U.S. or its territories, as recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.
• Be in good academic standing with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
• Demonstrate a committed interest to pursuing a PhD or MD-PhD.
• Have completed at least two semesters of college and have at least one semester of undergraduate education remaining by the start of the summer program.
• Be a U.S. citizen or have permanent resident status at the time of application.

Note: The SR-EIP is not designed for students pursuing professional training for careers in the practice of law, business administration, clinical medicine, clinical psychology, or the allied health professions.

How to Apply
Interested students must complete the SR-EIP Online Application available at www.theleadershipalliance.org. The application deadline is February 1, 2020.

The application requires:

• Biographical and academic information
• Current résumé
• Statement of purpose
• Two letters of recommendation
• Transcripts

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