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Charles Steger Global Internship Program in Focused Ultrasound

Purpose: To provide high school and undergraduate university students the opportunity to participate in focused ultrasound (FUS) research through a summer internship with an academic researcher or industry mentor at recognized international FUS sites. The internship will provide salary support for up to two interns per institution for a three-month summer research experience (between May and September) funded by the Focused Ultrasound Foundation (FUSF).

Stipend: \$1,500 per intern with 15-20 internships supported in 2024.

Eligibility: The internship positions are open to high school and undergraduate university students who have the written support of a mentor working in focused ultrasound. This includes medical students in countries where a bachelor's degree is not a prerequisite. Graduate and post-doctoral students are not eligible for this program.

Application: Application materials must be submitted electronically via a single e-mail, including all required documents, to <u>global_interns@fusfoundation.org</u>. The deadline for this application is 11:59 pm EDT on **April 21**, **2024**. The following materials are required for an application to be considered:

- 1. Student NIH-formatted biosketch OR resume.
- 2. Student letter outlining the project planned and anticipated benefits of the internship.
- 3. A signed letter from the Mentor confirming his or her support of the Student.
- 4. Mentor NIH-formatted biosketch.

Selection Process: Applicants will be notified of an acceptance decision by May 6, 2024. Applicants will be considered based on the project proposed, the applicant statement, and the support and capabilities of the mentor's institution or laboratory.

Responsibilities of the Intern: Immediately following the internship (due by Sept. 30, 2024), the intern must submit to the Foundation a Completion Diploma for the HIFU MOOC (https://foad.univ-lyon1.fr/course/view.php?id=7) and a two-page final report (or a copy of a conference proceeding) on the project activity and outcome. Interns who do not submit their final report/conference proceeding by the required deadline are ineligible for future follow-on research funding from the Foundation for a period of 2 years. The intern must also submit an abstract on their project to ISTU 2024 or another scientific meeting of their/mentor's choice.

Responsibilities of the Mentor: Support the student's work throughout their internship experience and guide them in submitting a research conference abstract, as outlined above.

Administration: The FUSF will be the official administrator of the internship and will distribute funds directly to participating interns or the host institution, at the applicants' discretion, within 25 U.S. business days of completing internship paperwork.