

# Application for Participation in the 2015 Summer Training in Alcohol Research (STAR) Program

## Kentucky Alcohol Research Group, University of Kentucky

Participation in undergraduate research is highly recommended for anyone seriously considering graduate studies in (Ph.D.) in STEM fields – Science, Technology, Engineering or Math. We offer a 10-week paid laboratory experience for talented undergraduate students interested in gaining research experience in alcohol-related disorders such as alcoholism, fetal alcohol syndrome, cancer and pain. Some flexibility in the scheduling of summer research may be possible, but students typically participate between mid-May and mid-August. **Selection of students for the program is based on 1) a complete application, 2) reference letters, 3) transcripts/academic standing and 4) statement of career goals.**

### Part I. General Information (Please print or type)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University Currently Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Answers to the following questions are helpful but optional:

Are you Hispanic/Latino?      ☐ Yes      ☐ No

What is your race?      ☐ American Indian/ Alaska Native  
*You may select more than one.*      ☐ Asian  
   ☐ Black / African American  
   ☐ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander  
   ☐ White

### Part II. Academic Information

1. Current academic classification (freshman, sophomore or junior)\_\_\_\_\_.

2. Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ ***Please include a copy (or photocopy) of your academic transcripts***

3. List any academic awards and honors (i.e., Dean's List, scholarships)

### Part III. Recommendation Letters

Please arrange for **two** faculty members who are acquainted with your academic and/or research performance to fill out the form below and/or provide a letter of recommendation. They should **mail the form (or email) directly to the address at the bottom of the form.**

#### **Part IV. Specific Information**

Identify the three research areas/laboratories that you are most interested in exploring during the summer 2015 STAR Program. Rank your order of preference from 1 to 3. Follow the links to learn more about the faculty who do research in these areas.

##### **Human Behavior**

- ☐ [Addiction - Human Behavioral Pharmacology](#)
- ☐ [Drug Abuse Liability & Sensation Seeking](#)
- ☐ [Alcoholism – Risk factors for early onset](#)
- ☐ [Alcoholism – Family & Child Interactions](#)
- ☐ [Alcoholism - Drug Expectancies & Risk Factors](#)

##### **Biomedical**

- ☐ [Fetal Alcohol Syndrome – behavior/drug discovery](#)
- ☐ [Fetal Alcohol Syndrome – cellular neuroscience](#)
- ☐ [Fetal Alcohol Syndrome – cellular neuroscience](#)
- ☐ [Neuropharmacology – alcohol & nicotine interactions](#)
- ☐ [Alcoholism - pancreatitis/pain](#)
- ☐ [Alcoholism – cellular neuroscience/drug discovery](#)

Describe any previous research or laboratory experiences you may have had.

Describe your long-term career goals and how spending the summer doing research may help you attain those goals. Please include any other relevant information that the committee should consider in making their decision.

#### **Part V. Return this application form and all materials by email to:**

Ms. Catina Rossoll  
UK STAR Coordinator  
[UK.STAR@uky.edu](mailto:UK.STAR@uky.edu)  
859.257.1998

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION:** February 15, 2015

**NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE:** mid-March 2015

*The University of Kentucky is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. Applications are invited from all qualified people regardless of race, sex, or age; minorities are especially encouraged to apply.*