

# DKFZ Summer Internship in Cancer Research, 2012

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The DKFZ Summer Internship in Cancer Research is an 8-week program for outstanding and ambitious undergraduate students who are interested in gaining laboratory research experience. The internship will take place **from 1<sup>st</sup> August until 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012**.

The Internship is organized by the **Helmholtz International Graduate School in Cancer Research** of the German Cancer Research Center (Deutsches Krebsforschungszentrum; DKFZ).

The DKFZ is the largest biomedical research institute in Germany and is a member of the Helmholtz Association of National Research Centers. The DKFZ, located in scenic Heidelberg, has more than 2,500 staff members, including approximately 850 scientists and 450 PhD students. Research at the DKFZ is committed to unraveling the causes and mechanisms of cancer development and, based on the new research findings, to develop novel strategies for the diagnosis, treatment, early detection, and prevention of cancer.

Students of the Summer Internship in Cancer Research will spend **8 weeks working in a laboratory of the DKFZ**, where they will have the opportunity to participate in cutting edge research in cancer-related biology, and to interact with leading scientists in the field as well as fellow students from around Europe.

Students will also take part in the **Internship Core Course**, which covers recent research at the DKFZ via a series of research seminars and will have the opportunity to take part in a soft-skills courses about topics related to scientific presenting and communication. In addition, events with DKFZ PhD students and outings in and around Heidelberg will be organized.

To be **eligible** to apply for the DKFZ Summer Internship you must be working towards a masters or bachelors degree and be able to provide proof that you are enrolled in a university for the full duration of the internship (i.e. until the end of September 2012).

For details of **how to apply online** for the DKFZ Summer Internship in Cancer Research, please visit our website **[www.dkfz.de/phd/Internship.html](http://www.dkfz.de/phd/Internship.html)**.

As part of your application, you will be asked to provide electronic copies (PDF format) of the following documents:

- university registration certificate that confirms your status as a student
- high school certificate(s)
- university transcript of records.

In addition, you will be asked to provide a letter of support from your university supervisor/advisor.

We particularly encourage applications from international students. A limited number of fellowships for the Summer School are available, but applicants are strongly encouraged to organize their own funding.

The deadline for application (including the letter of support) is **15<sup>th</sup> February 2012**. We will inform you by the end of March, 2012 whether your application has been shortlisted for the second round of review, during which you will be asked to select from a list of summer research projects.