

# **NE-INBRE Scholar Program**

# **$18,500 Fellowship in Biomedical Research**

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

NE-INBRE is a scholarship program that selects highly qualified undergraduates for an unparalleled opportunity to pursue original biomedical research within multiple academic laboratories in Nebraska. This program is geared to students preparing themselves for educational or employment opportunities in the field of biomedical/STEM research after completion of their undergraduate degree. The program requires a two-year commitment. For general information, visit the website [www.unmc.edu/inbre.](https://www.unmc.edu/inbre/)

WHO CAN APPLY?

**Any student majoring in biology or chemistry** with two full academic years left are eligible. The minimum GPA required for eligibility is 3.0.

PROGRAM BENEFITS:

* $4,000 for the first summer conducting research at a major research institution in Nebraska (Creighton, UNL or UNMC); $4,000 for each academic year of participation (10 hours per week); and $4,500 for the second summer for research conducted at the Scholar’s home institute (or Creighton, UNL, UNMC).
* Free summer housing, if housing assistance is not needed $1,000 will be added to the summer stipend.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

* **Complete a 10-week summer training program** in biomedical research within a laboratory at UNMC, UNL, or Creighton during the 1st summer in the program. Scholars must devote full-time effort (40 hours per week).
* **Participate in original research for two academic years** (10 hours/ week) and the 2nd summer (40 hours/week).
* **Participate in INBRE-related events**, including state-wide book club meetings and weekly meetings with the INBRE advisor on campus
* **Present research results** during both junior and senior years at the annual INBRE meeting in August and the Nebraska Academy of Science meeting in April. Presenting at additional local, regional, and national venues is also strongly encouraged if resources and circumstances allow.

INBRE Scholar Application

A complete application packet for the INBRE Scholar program must be submitted before the first week of the Spring semester. Submit an application (paper or pdf format) to the NE-INBRE Fellowship Selection Committee on your campus.

A complete application consists of the following items, submitted together as one document in the following order:

* + **Application form** (two pages, see attached)
	+ **Statement of Interest:** up to 2 pages, double-spaced, 11 pt font. Address each of the following questions:
		- Why are you interested in biomedical research? Indicate where you first heard about the INBRE program.
		- What are your future educational and career goals following graduation?
		- Do you have any research experience? How will this program benefit your career goals?
		- Which lab(s) are you are most interested in working in and why?

Note: You are strongly encouraged to speak to former or current INBRE Scholars.

* + **Copy of most recent university transcript**
	+ **Resume/CV**

**Also: Arrange for one letter of recommendation to be directly sent to your INBRE campus coordinator.** The letter should address the applicant’s scientific potential, academic prowess, research experience, and character.

**Students selected for interviews will be contacted by the INBRE campus coordinator.**



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| **Personal information** |
| First Name |  | Last Name |  |
| Address |  |
| City |  | State |  | Zip Code |  |
| Phone number |  |  | Email |  |  |
| Are you a U.S. Citizen or permanent resident? | □ Yes | □ No |  |
| **Academic Information** |
| Class Status | □ Fr □ So □ Jr □ Sr |
| Major(s) |  |
| Minor(s) |  |
| Cumulative GPA | State | STEM GPA |  |

*Ask your reference to send their letter directly to your INBRE campus coordinator.*

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| **Reference Information** |
| Name |  | Phone number |  |
| Email |  | Relationship |  |



I certify that the information in this application is correct, and I authorize INBRE faculty to view my academic records. If

selected as an INBRE Scholar, I **agree** to the following conditions for continuance in the program:

1. I will complete the ten-week Research Foundations Workshop held on the campuses of UNMC, UNL and CUMC during my first summer in the program. This includes attending orientation day as well as regular attendance at the INBRE Seminar Series every Monday. I realize that the Research Foundations Workshop is considered a full-time commitment to the INBRE program, and additional activities such as taking summer courses or holding part-time jobs during the summer are not appropriate.
2. I understand and agree that if I do not complete the full ten-week summer program, I am responsible for repayment of the total scholarship received, minus the pro-rated amount for the weeks that I did participate. Repayment is due within 30 days of leaving the program unless arrangements are agreed upon by UNMC.
3. I will maintain participation in a research project on my home/transfer campus during the next two academic years and my second summer in the program. During the academic year, my part-time involvement will include **working a minimum of ten hours per week** on my research project. During my second summer in the program, my full-time commitment will include **working the equivalent of 40 hours per week for 10 weeks** on my research project.

## I will attend and present my research results at the annual Nebraska Academy of Sciences Meeting held in April and the annual NE-INBRE Conference held in August. I understand that attendance at the entire annual NE-INBRE conference and participation in all sessions is required.

1. I will submit yearly progress reports to my faculty mentor no later than May 1st of each year.
2. I will maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0.
3. I will attend the statewide journal club that meets twice per semester.
4. I will try my best to be an exemplary representative of the NE-INBRE program, which is known and respected throughout the state of Nebraska. I will maintain a high level of professional conduct that includes displaying proper respect for my mentor, other faculty, staff, and students at the academic institutions participating in the INBRE program, as well as proper attitude, behavior, dress, and adherence to lab safety rules.

Signed:

Printed name:

Date signed:

Home address:

City: State: Zip code:

Social Security Number: Date of Birth: \_\_

Statement of Interest in INBRE