For more information about the program:
Please contact Prof. McHugh at dmchugh@colgate.edu

Information Sessions will be held on:
Wednesday, October 14 at 4:40pm - https://colgate.zoom.us/j/99746798363
and
Friday, October 16 at 1:00pm - https://colgate.zoom.us/j/98069550760

Colgate University’s

National Institutes of Health (NIH) Study Group offers the opportunity for Colgate students interested in the biomedical sciences to spend a full semester working in some of the most exciting research laboratories in the world. The NIH in Bethesda, MD, housing over 5000 active researchers, are the official federal health-related research facilities of the United States. The hallmark of the study group is an intensive research experience involving 30+ hours of research each week in an NIH laboratory of the students’ choosing.

Prerequisites and selection criteria

The group is open to selected members of the classes of 2022 and 2023 who are in good academic standing. Successful applicants should be highly motivated toward a career or postgraduate education in the biological or health sciences, and be capable of working independently in a research environment. Completion of a year of general chemistry (CHEM 101–102 or CHEM 111), a year of organic chemistry (CHEM 263–264), and Molecules, Cells and Genes (BIOL 182) is required. One course in Mathematics or Computer Science is desirable before attending the study group. Typically, successful applicants have been majors in Biochemistry, Biology, Chemistry, Molecular Biology, or Neuroscience.
Excursions:
The study group includes three or four events of cultural interest in the Washington, DC area. These may include a tour of DC, a sporting event, a performance at The Kennedy Center, a visit to Mt. Vernon, and a political-comedy show by the Capitol Steps.

Living arrangements:
Currently, it is expected that students will live in furnished apartments in a hall owned and operated by NYU located at 1307 L. Street NW in the District of Columbia. Each residential floor contains mostly 4-person, 2-bedroom, 1 bathroom apartments. Colgate students will share an apt. with other Colgate students. Students also have access to a game room, resource center, laundry room, serenity space, and ample multipurpose space. A full-time Residential Life Coordinator and part-time Residential Life Administrators reside in NYU Washington, DC to provide advice, guidance, support, programming, and activities. Colgate will make the necessary arrangements for apartment leases and will charge students for housing.

Students will have access to a shared kitchen in their apartments and will prepare their own meals.

The study group includes a Metro card. Students will use the Red subway line from Metro Center to Medical Center to commute to the NIH campus each day. The commute will typically take 30-40 minutes each way. Classes will be held onsite at the NIH. Off-street parking is expensive in DC. On-street parking is difficult to find. Colgate discourages students from having a private vehicle in Washington, D.C.

Extracurricular:
The Metro underground public transportation system provides easy access to Washington, DC, and all the opportunities of our nation’s capital city.

Costs:
For details of student expenses on this study group, please see the student cost estimate sheet on the Colgate University Off-Campus Study website.

Calendar and Deadlines:
The study group application will open on Wednesday, October 7, 2020, and will close on Wednesday, November 4, 2020. Applications are to be submitted online at offcampusstudy.colgate.edu. The faculty director will interview applicants after all submissions have been received. The faculty director will announce admissions decisions by early January 2021.