

Maximizing Access to Research Careers (MARC) application

Applications must be received by the deadline in order to be considered. For questions regarding the MARC program, please contact Larone Ellison, MARC Program Representative (310-206-2182 marc@lifesci.ucla.edu) or Dr. Megan McEvoy, MARC Program Director (mcevoymm@ucla.edu).

Last Name:

First Name:

UCLA SID #:

By providing your UCLA SID # you are authorizing the MARC Program to access information from your student record for application purposes and during participation in the program.

Major:

Minor:

Email:

Cell:

Text OK? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Current Address:

Ethnic group:

- ☐ Hispanic or Latino
- ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

Racial group (check all that apply):

- ☐ American Indian or Alaska native
- ☐ Asian
- ☐ Black or African American
- ☐ White
- ☐ Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

Are you a US Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not a US Citizen, are you a U.S. permanent resident? ☐ Yes, ID# _____ ☐ No

Are you from a socio-economically disadvantaged background and qualify for federal disadvantaged assistance (e.g. Pell grant)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If applicable, please have documentation available for verification upon request.

Are you a student with a disability? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, have you registered with the UCLA Office for Students with Disabilities (OSD)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date of matriculation at UCLA:

GPA at UCLA:

Total number of credits completed to date:

Expected graduation date (quarter, year):

Are you a transfer student? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, please list prior institution(s), dates of attendance, and GPA from each institution:

Have you participated in or are a member of any of the following programs? (check all that apply).

- ☐ Beckman Scholars
- ☐ AAP
- ☐ BISEP
- ☐ Bridges/BriSURP CARE Fellows/Scholars Program / MSD Scholars
- ☐ Program Howard Hughes Scholars
- ☐ Program
- ☐ PEERS
- ☐ UC LEADS Undergraduate Research Fellows Program (URFP)
- ☐ Other

Degree Objectives

☐ PhD

- Dual Degree
(MD/PhD,
MSTP)
MD only
Other
professional
program
MS
BS only
Other**

Do you intend to take a break (gap year) between your undergraduate and graduate programs? ☐ Yes
☐ No

Do you plan to take the GRE exam? ☐ Yes, date _____ ☐ No

Do you plan to take the MCAT exam? ☐ Yes, date _____ ☐ No

Career objectives (100 characters max):

List any previous or current research experience below:

Dates (month/year-month/year)

Faculty mentor (and institution if not UCLA)

IF YOU ARE CURRENTLY NOT IN A LAB:

List three faculty members at UCLA that you are interested in working with, and provide one or two sentences describing why you have a specific interest in this lab (300 characters max each).

Name:

Department:

Interest in this lab:

Name:

Department:

Interest in this lab:

Name:

Department:

Interest in this lab:

Personal Statement Essay

Must be at least 100, but no more than 3500 characters (including spaces)

Please elaborate on all of the following topics, and anything else you'd like us to know about you:

- Your family, education, and community background
- Factors that contributed to your decision to study science
- Your particular area of research interest, why you wish to participate in the MARC program and how your participation may help you achieve your career goals
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- Please explain how you think you will contribute to the MARC/NIH objectives, i.e., to increase the number of people from historically under-represented groups in biomedical research.

Research Experience Essay Must be at least 100, but no more than 3500 characters (including spaces). Describe your current and past research experience(s). Briefly summarize the research (Introduction, Hypothesis, Materials & Methods, and Expected/Actual Results). If you do not have any research experience, describe your potential research interests as specifically as possible.

TRANSCRIPT(S)

If you are an incoming transfer student, you will need to email unofficial copies of your transcript(s) to marc@lifesci.ucla.edu.

If you are a continuing UCLA student DO NOT send transcripts, instead please select "yes" to authorize the MARC Program to obtain your Degree Progress Report (DPR). Do you authorize the MARC Program to obtain your DPR from your student record? ☐ Yes ☐ No

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Letters of recommendation from faculty members who can assess your ability for academic research should be submitted directly by the letter writer to Dr. Megan McEvoy, MARC Program Director, at marc@lifesci.ucla.edu.

In addition, provide the contact information for two individuals who will write letters of recommendation on your behalf.

Name: Department and Institution:

Position (e.g. Professor): Email:

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In accordance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 you may waive your right to inspect these recommendations by checking the statement below. Should you decide not to waive the right, you will have access to the recommendations for 1 year if you are not selected to participate and indefinitely if you become a program participant.

- ☐ I hereby waive my right of access to this information.
- ☐ I hereby DO NOT waive my right of access to this information.

RÉSUMÉ/CV

Email a résumé/CV to marc@lifesci.ucla.edu

Please include any information on your educational background, awards, scholarships, outside activities, specialized skills or leadership positions that you would like us to be aware of.

May we have your permission to share your application materials with other UCLA programs for which you may be qualified? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please request your letters of recommendation well in advance of the deadline. All application materials must be received by the deadline in order for applications to be reviewed.

Thank you for submitting your application materials for the MARC U*STAR Program.