



University of Massachusetts Amherst PREP is a one-year internship program designed to provide recent college graduates the opportunity to strengthen research skills and academic competitiveness in pursuit of a doctoral degree. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents. Successful applicants will have completed their undergraduate degree within the last 36 months, and are planning to pursue a Ph.D. in biomedical sciences. UMass PREP is supported by a grant from the National Institute of General Medical Sciences.

Application deadline is April 1 with special consideration on a case-by-case basis.

I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name: _____

Birth Date: ____/____/____

Race/Ethnicity: _____

Are you a first generation college student? : Yes No

Gender: Female Male

Are you a US citizen? Yes No

If you are not a US Citizen, are you a permanent resident? Yes No

Current Mailing Address: _____

Permanent Mailing Address _____

Telephone Number(s): Day (____) _____ Eve (____) _____

E-mail: _____

II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Undergraduate Institution: _____ Graduation Date: _____

Major: _____ Overall GPA _____ Science GPA _____

Have you ever taken the GRE? _____ If so please enter the following scores:

	Analytical	Verbal	Quantitative
Scores	_____	_____	_____
Percentile	_____	_____	_____

Degree Objective: Master's Degree M.S./Ph.D. M.D./Ph.D.
 (check only one) Ph. D. Degree M.D. Other:

Have you ever *applied* to graduate school? Yes No

If yes, indicate institution, and year applied

Have you ever been *enrolled* as a graduate student? Yes No

If yes, indicate institution, and year(s)

Please indicate any UMass Amherst faculty or staff member(s) with whom you have corresponded about your plans for PREP or graduate study.

Please indicate any UMass Amherst faculty with whom you are interested in working.

Please note that participation in the Summer Research Program (SPUR) is a requirement in order to be considered for the year-long PREP Program.

Are you able to attend the Summer Program? Yes No

III. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

State your general reasons for applying to PREP and your specific career interest. You should include career objectives, interest in science, research interest and experience, skills and your intended area of specialization. Please type your response on white 8 ½ by 11 inch paper.

IV. TO COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION

- A. Arrange to have three letters of recommendation sent directly to the address below. These should be from faculty who are familiar with your interests and abilities in science. If you have participated in laboratory research, one or all letters should be from your mentor(s). Provide the names of your reference below.

Name	Title	Phone	e-mail address
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- B. Have official transcript(s) sent from *all* colleges and universities you have attended
- C. Attach a copy of your GRE general test scores (if applicable)
- D. Attach a current curriculum vitae/resume that includes any academic or other honors that you have received
- E. List any courses you are currently taking that will not show up on your transcript

I hereby apply for admissions to the Post Baccalaureate Research Education Program at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst and certify that to the best of my knowledge all of the above statements are true and complete. I understand that submitted records and letters of recommendation will not be returned, copied, or forwarded.

Signature _____ Date _____

Send the completed application and all requested information to:

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University of Massachusetts
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