

2025 Call for Applicants Scholar Mentoring & Development Program (SMDP)

SMDP Biotech | San Diego, CA JUNE 20-25, 2026

The one year career mentoring program pairs graduate students & post-doctoral researchers from disadvantaged backgrounds with industry mentors who work at companies at biotech and consumer healthcare companies.

Who may apply?

Graduate students and post-doctoral researchers in life sciences

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Who may apply?

Undergraduate Juniors and Seniors, or BS degree, MS degree, PhD in Engineering or related disciplines

The application deadline for both programs is April 3, 2026

Applicants must be currently enrolled at or received a degree from an accredited United States or Puerto Rico based institution of higher education within the past 3 years.

With their mentors, Scholars attend a 5-day training session to learn about career opportunities in the biotech, medtech or consumer healthcare industry and receive career development coaching, as well as attending a major industry conference.

Successful applicants receive

√ One-year personalized career mentoring & guidance

✓ Conference accommodations, meals and conference registration

√ Registration for a major industry conference

√ \$500 in travel reimbursements

√ Membership to online career oriented portal

√ Networking & career opportunities

































