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Wyoming Community College-University of Wyoming 2022 INBRE Transition Student Program

Application deadline: WEDNESDAY MARCH 2nd 2022 (by 11:59PM)
(online process; Instruction and links are provided below)

Through a grant from the National Institute for General Medical Sciences the Wyoming Idea Network for Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE) program offers competitive awards for outstanding community college life science students who are transferring to the University of Wyoming to pursue careers in the biomedical sciences. The program will provide financial support for selected students to attend UW for up to 2 years and engage in INBRE-supported research activities in addition to their degree coursework. Note that the second year of support is contingent on meeting the requirements detailed below and receipt of continuing funding from NIGMS for Wyoming INBRE. The award is \$2,500 per semester for the fall and spring terms. Recipients must transfer to UW and enroll for the fall 2022 term.

In the first fall semester, students will rotate through one research laboratory and take a 1 credit course on navigating University life and scientific research. In the spring of their junior year, students will rotate through a second laboratory. During this first year, students will have the option to engage in research in a laboratory of interest with INBRE approval. By the end of their second rotation, students will choose a 'home laboratory' to conduct independent mentored research and will be invited to submit research proposals for summer internships. Their research will continue through their senior year. Students may participate in additional or concurrent scholarship/fellowship programs with approval of Wyoming INBRE.

To maintain the award, the student must comply with the following requirements:

- work ~10 hours/week in their assigned laboratory;
- maintain full-time enrollment and a minimum B (3.0) grade point average;
- attend specified INBRE events;
- present an oral or poster presentation at the Wyoming INBRE Conference and Wyoming Undergraduate Research & Inquiry Across the Disciplines event at the end of spring term.

Applicants must have participated in INBRE-supported activities on their community college campus and, to get the maximum benefit of the program, should be entering the junior year of their undergraduate studies at the time they enroll at UW. Students not entering the junior year may be considered in exceptional situations. Please contact the INBRE office before beginning the application.

1. INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

Applicants, please follow these instructions and note that items 2 and 3 should be gathered prior to the application process, each as a single PDF file (2 PDF files: 1. Letter of application, 2. Transcripts). Note that your **faculty recommender** MUST



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submit a confidential letter (in PDF format) online by the application deadline (see section 2). When applying (see details on process below), students will be prompted to submit each of their 2 items as separate PDF files.

The following are required for a complete application:

1. A completed **Wyoming INBRE application cover sheet** (completed online).
2. **A letter of application** including a description of the candidate's research experiences (INBRE and/or other); a description of the candidate's academic and career goals and expectations showing how these relate to his/her commitment to a career in a biomedically-related field; how the INBRE program has helped the candidate develop academically and professionally at his/her community college; how the INBRE transition award at UW will help the candidate achieve his/her career goal; and a statement of commitment to completing the INBRE research experience. The letter should not exceed two pages DOUBLE-spaced and should be comprehensive.

*This **letter of application** should be saved as a PDF file for submission during the online application process with the candidate's full name in the file name.*

3. **A complete undergraduate transcript record**. Unofficial transcripts are acceptable.

All transcript files (if different school transcripts are provided) should be gathered in a single PDF file that should be submitted during the online application process.

4. **A letter of recommendation from an INBRE collaborator faculty** (see list of faculty collaborators below). **This letter must be submitted by the faculty recommender** as a **PDF file**. Instructions for this letter and a submission link are provided below.

STUDENTS: [APPLY FOR AN INBRE TRANSITION AWARD.](#) Applications due **by 11:59PM on Wednesday MARCH 2nd, 2022.**

2. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FACULTY RECOMMENDERS

Faculty, please note that this letter of recommendation is a critical component of the student's INBRE application. Therefore, it should be well crafted and should outline the qualities of the candidate that make him/her best suited for this award. It should also emphasize the training/course work the candidate completed that prepares him/her to tackle a biomedical-related career.

If recommending several student candidates for this program, you must submit each letter of recommendation separately through the link provided below.

*The letter of recommendation must be official (institution's letterhead and signature of faculty should be included; NO EMAIL). Submission of these letters of recommendation is restricted to a **PDF format**.*

FACULTY: [SUBMIT YOUR LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION.](#) Letters due **by 11:59PM on Wednesday MARCH 2nd, 2022.**



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*****NOTE TO APPLICANTS AND FACULTY RECOMMENDERS*****

The Wyoming INBRE Transition Student program is highly competitive and focuses on transition students who plan on a career or graduate program in biomedically-related fields. Materials such as the letter of application written and submitted by the student, and the recommendation letter from the INBRE collaborator/faculty, are both critical elements of these applications used to determine who will receive an award. Timely submissions are paramount; late or incomplete applications will not be considered. *It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure ALL application materials are submitted on time.*

3. TRANSITION PROGRAM SELECTION PROCESS

After initial screening of applications based on the quality of the application materials (emphasis on letter of application and letter of recommendation), selected individuals may be required to give a brief presentation on their research experience and participate in an interview with the selection committee before final selection of recipients.

If you have any questions about this WY INBRE transition program, please contact the INBRE collaborators on your campus (see list below) or Dr. Florence Teulé-Finley, Wyoming INBRE Program Coordinator (fteule@uwyo.edu):

List of Community Colleges and University of Wyoming INBRE Project Leads (PLs) and Collaborators:

- **Casper College/ UW- Casper:** Dagmara Motriuk-Smith (PL), Dino Madsen, Florence Teulé-Finley, Riley Bernard, John Chase, Eric Mechalke, and Scott Seville
- **Central Wyoming College:** Bill Finney (PL), Kirsten Kapp (CWC-Jackson), Jacki Klancher, Tarissa Spoonhunter, and Tara Womack-Schultz
- **Eastern Wyoming College:** Chris Wenzel (PL)
- **Laramie County Community College:** Ami Wangeline (PL), Gavin Martin, Zac Roehrs.
- **Northwest College:** Eric Atkinson (PL), Allan Childs, Michael Cuddy, Jay Dickerson, Elise Kimball, and Uko Udodong
- **Sheridan/ Gillette Colleges:** Ami Erickson(PL) (Sheridan), Matt Craig (Gillette), Brady Godwin (Gillette), and Rob Milne (Sheridan)
- **Western Wyoming community College:** Bud Chew, Will Clark, Joshua Holmes, and David Tanner

The deadline for receipt of transition program applications is by 11:59PM on March 2nd, 2022. Late or incomplete applications will NOT be considered.

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