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**The University of Alabama at Birmingham
Center for Community Outreach
Development (CORD)
EBSCO Scholars Program**

High School Student Research Internship

June 02 – July 31, 2026

2026 Application Form

Applicant Eligibility:

- Currently be **Birmingham, Bessemer, Fairfield, Midfield**, high school Junior or Senior (be in 11th or 12th grade).
- Overall GPA of 3.0 and 3.5 in STEM Courses
- Have an interest in and a demonstrated aptitude for science.
- Commit to being present on all days of the Internship.
- Submit a COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET which includes:
 1. Completed Application Form.
 2. High school Transcript (sent by your school).
 3. Two letters of recommendation, at least one from a science teacher.
 4. A one-page essay describing your personal and career interests.
 5. Passport size photo (headshot attached above required).
- Each Scholarship will pay **\$2,500** to Interns who successfully complete the program. There is no tuition fee for the Internship.

****Deadline for Application: 5:00 p.m. Monday, March 16, 2026****

All applications must be received in one complete package at the same time. It is understandable that your school may mail your Transcript.

Please **Mail or Deliver** Applications to the CORD Office. **Faxed or emailed** forms will not be accepted.

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- Finalists may be required to schedule an interview with the CORD Staff at UAB.
- Students not qualifying for a specific program may be offered participation in one of the other SSI programs.

Contact Information:

Applicant Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone Number (Home) _____ (Cell) _____

Email _____ Race _____ M/F _____

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian _____

Mailing Address (if different) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone (Daytime) _____ (Cell) _____

Citizenship: I attest that I am (check one of the following)

- A citizen of the United States
- A noncitizen national of the United States (a person born in American Samoa, be a certain former citizen of the former Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, or be in a class of certain children of non-citizens born abroad).
- A lawful permanent resident (please provide a copy of your (USCIS document or other legal verification of your status)
- An alien authorized to work (must provide expiration date, if applicable and must provide document number)

Academic Information:

1. College / University that you plan to attend:

Major: _____

2. List all courses you have taken in the following areas with a letter grade of "B" or better:

Science

Math

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| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ |

3. Scholastic awards or honors received:

4. School/community activities in which you are involved:

5. Do you have any allergies or medical conditions that would prohibit you from working in a research laboratory or clinical setting? No _____ Yes _____
If yes, please explain: _____

6. Please indicate your career interest.

_____ Biomedical Research (please note specific area of interest) _____

_____ Health Related Profession (please specify) _____

_____ Undecided

_____ Other Specify: _____

I certify that the information contained in this application is correct and complete. I grant permission for information concerning my educational records to be released to UAB for the purpose of establishing eligibility to participate in this program.

Applicant Signature

Date

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The University of Alabama at Birmingham
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Summer Science Institute

**EBSCO SCHOLARS Program 2026
Teacher Recommendation Form**

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Program Overview: The UAB CORD Summer Science Institute research internship is open to high school students completing their junior and senior years. Participation in the program includes an intensive 40 hours per week, eight-week internship. Prior to joining an assigned mentor's lab, the interns will attend an intensive 4-day orientation in which they will be trained in biomedical laboratory techniques. Each intern will be assigned to a UAB faculty research mentor under whom they develop an independent research project related to the mentor's research focus. At the end of the program, interns present their research at poster symposiums on UAB campus competing for monetary awards and a scholarship to UAB.

Student Name: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____

Program Applying for: **EBSCO Summer Science Institute, Research Intern**

How long have you known this student and in what capacity?

Use the following scale to assess the student according to the other students that you have known over the past 3 years.

1. Lower 50%
2. Between the Top 20%-50%, Very Good
3. Between the Top 10-20%, Excellent
4. Top 3-10%, Outstanding
5. Top 3%, Very Best

Briefly explain or give specific example(s) that justify your ranking for each of the student's characteristics listed below, if they are at either extreme.

ACADEMIC CHARACTERISTICS

RANKING

JUSTIFICATION

_____ Independence and initiative:

_____ Motivation:

_____ Attention span:

_____ Ability to apply concepts in problem solving:

____ Participates in class discussions:

____ Potential for growth:

PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS

RANKING

JUSTIFICATION

____ Enthusiasm:

____ Inquisitiveness

____ Creativity and original thought:

____ Disciplined work habits:

____ Maturity:

____ Respect for peers and teachers:

____ Leadership skills:

____ Special talents:

Please feel free to share any additional information that you feel would be helpful in determining the suitability of this student for our program. Use additional paper, if necessary.

We thank you for your assistance in advancing area students in science and technology.

Teacher Name: _____ School: _____ Phone #: _____

Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

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