

Dates: July 6- July 31, 2015 (Mon. through Fri. daily; 4 weeks); option of taking 1 week at a time **Time:** 9am-12pm daily (except on Monday & Friday until 1pm including lunch that is provided)

Place: Stanford University campus (School of Medicine)- exact location TBD

Lecture Series Description:

The Stanford Explore Lecture Series is an exploratory series covering the fundamentals and current research areas represented in the five Institutes in the School of Medicine (Immunology, Neuroscience, Cardiovascular Medicine, Regenerative and Stem Cell Medicine and Cancer Biology) as well as other disciplines such as Genetics, Bioinformatics and Bioengineering. Stanford Faculty, graduate students and post-doctoral fellows will teach the lectures. Besides listening to lectures, there will also be some opportunities to experience several hands-on demos and simulation labs at Stanford. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in lunch discussions with Stanford undergraduates as well as graduate and medical school students.

Eligibility:

At this time, we encourage only current high school students (9th through 12th grade students as of spring 2015) to register for the program. We expect all students to have taken at least one year of high school biology. We also strongly recommend that students have finished an A.P. Biology course before enrolling (but this is not required). Students should also be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Program Cost:

Students may sign up for one week at a time or for all 4 weeks of the lecture series. The fee for the series is \$750 per week (2 weeks=\$1500). If you would like to register for all 4 weeks, the fee is \$3000. On February 1, 2015, the EXPLORE registration site will be open on our website (explore.stanford.edu) and we will have an online payment link available if you would like to pay by credit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express). You may also pay by check. Please make checks payable to "Stanford University" and on the bottom left corner of the check in the note section, please write "Stanford EXPLORE Lecture Series". Please mail this in with your completed registration form. Please be sure that your will be attending as we cannot issue any refunds after May 15th, 2015 which is the cancellation deadline.

<u>Financial Aid:</u> Students who lack the means to pay course fees will be considered for partial or full scholarships. In order to be considered, you must submit the financial aid application that will be available as a link on the registration form (Slideroom) and a copy of your most recent tax returns along with your registration form. The aid will be based primarily on the household income (generally full scholarships are only considered for family incomes under \$80,000). You will be notified of the decision within 1-2 weeks of the receipt of your application.

Certificate of Completion:

The course does not offer official course credits/units but each student will receive a certificate of completion. Students are required to attend all days of the lecture series with the exception of a day or two for illness or for emergencies. There will be a daily sign-in sheet for the students.

Parking:

If you are planning on driving and need a permit, you will need to fill out the application form which will be available on our website in March. You can go into the parking office and purchase a permit on your own about a month before the start of the program. The cost is \$29 for a permit that will cover the 4 weeks or partial weeks. We will send out more details regarding parking form in early June. Please indicate on the online registration form if you will be requiring a parking permit as we will need to give the parking office a list of the names of students in the EXPLORE Series. Students who need a parking permit must go to the parking office on campus before the program begins to purchase the permit.

Enrollment/registration:

You can begin registering for the lecture series starting on

February 1, 2015 through our website (explore.stanford.edu). Enrollment will be on a rolling basis (first come first serve) so please register as soon as possible. As part of the online registration, you will need to upload an official copy of your high school transcript and you must also upload a signed copy of the waiver form. The link to the waiver form can be found on the registration portal (Slideroom) once you log in. You will receive an email confirmation once you submit your registration through Slideroom. If there are any major issues with your registration, we will email you within a week or two.

If paying by check or if applying for financial aid, please mail completed forms to:

Stanford EXPLORE 269 Campus Drive; CCSR-2215A Mail Code: 5166 Stanford, CA 94305

Please include a printout of your Slideroom online registration form when mailing out your check or financial aid application.