

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE ABROAD PROGRAM (REAP) OF PROUD SCHOLAR**

While doing research in the US is considered prestigious, getting a chance to do so in the Harvard University will be the best thing a student from India can aspire for. If you do not know already, Harvard University is the number one University with 100/100 points in Academic Ranking of World Universities 2017. Getting research internship in Harvard remains a distant dream even for students of premium institutes of higher education. If you are a hard-working research minded student, we can make it a reality under the Research Experience Abroad Program (REAP) of Proud Scholar. Studying in the USA, that too in a place like Harvard, can be very expensive. But we bring that experience to you without any tuition fee as a reward for your excellent academic record and research potential. Again, you need not be from premium academic institutions. Apply with confidence.

**Eligibility:** First class M.Sc/MTech degree in life science related disciplines completed on or before 1st September 2017. Candidates currently studying in college are not eligible. Strictly do not apply if you already do not have passport with minimum validity for one year. Priority will be given to

1. Candidates who have cleared GATE/CSIR-JRF/ICMR-JRF/DBT-JRF
2. Candidates who have cleared GRE/TOEFL
3. Students who have done project work in immunology
4. Students with US citizenship

### **Research Area of Internship:**

The internship is in the area of research in oral tolerance. It is local and systemic immune unresponsiveness that is induced by oral administration of innocuous antigens. Oral tolerance has been demonstrated extensively in rodents, and in human as well. The effects of oral tolerance are measured as reductions in hypersensitivity, T-cell proliferation, and cytokine production, and serum antibody responses can also be suppressed. Oral tolerance has been shown to be useful in treating Type 1 diabetes, autoimmune encephalitis, collagen-induced arthritis, multiple sclerosis etc.

**Duration:** 6 – 12 months

**No. of Positions:** 2 (two only)

Tuition Fee to Harvard: Nil  
Research Fee to Harvard: Nil

Application Fee to Proud Scholar: Rs. 500 (non-refundable)  
Registration Fee to Proud Scholar: Rs. 5,000 (non-refundable)  
Consultation Fee to Proud Scholar: Rs. 65, 000 (non-refundable)

#### Account Details for Bank Transfer

Account Name: Proud Scholar (OPC) Private Limited  
Account Number: 353505000213  
Account type: Current Account  
Bank Name: ICICI BANK  
Branch Name: PALLAVARAM CHROME PET  
IFSC Code: ICIC0003185

All fees are paid in stages and refund will be strictly as per the specification in this notification. Therefore, make sure if you really want to apply and move to next stages.

**Other expenses:** If you are selected for the internship by the lab, the Harvard University may charge a visa processing fee (500 to 1000 USD approx.) to process the paper work. This you will directly pay to Harvard University, not to Proud Scholar.

You need to take care of your travel and living expense during the internship period.

**Deadline:** 5.11.2017 (5th November, 2017) 22.0h

Expected start date: January 2018 or after you get VISA.

#### **Application Process:**

Step 1. Pay Application Fee of Rs. 500 (rupees five hundred) by bank transfer and note down transaction ID. Send your detailed resume and supporting document by email to [contact@proudscholar.com](mailto:contact@proudscholar.com) In the subject, mention Harvard Internship and Transaction ID. This is essential to verify your payment of application fee. Application fee is not refundable whether or not you are short-listed for the skype interview.

Check list of the documents to attached for the application

1. Detailed resume (include marks from 10th standard onwards)
2. Copy of passport
3. Copy of 10th and +2 mark sheet
4. Copy of UG and PG degree
5. Copy of consolidated UG and PG mark sheet
6. Copy of GATE/CSIR-JRF/ICMR-JRF/DBT-JRF score card, selection order (optional)
7. Copy of GRE/TOEFL score card (optional)
8. Students who have done project work in immunology
9. Copy of birth certificate for the candidates with US citizenship

Step 3. Experts at Proud Scholar will evaluate your credentials, and short-list the candidates for skype interview by Harvard University scientist. Short-listed candidates will be intimated by email and SMS. Candidates not short-listed for skype interview will also be intimated by email. This will be completed within 5 working days after the deadline for the application is over.

Step 4. If you want to attend skype interview, pay Registration Fee of Rs. 5,000 (rupees five thousand) by bank transfer and note down transaction ID. Send your skype ID to [contact@proudscholar.com](mailto:contact@proudscholar.com) . In the subject, mention Harvard Skype and Transaction ID. This should be done with 48 h after you receive our communication about your selection for skype interview. Registration fee will be fully refunded if we fail to schedule you skype interview with Harvard University. However, it is nonrefundable, if you fail to appear for the interview after registering or you are not successful in the interview. All refunds will be by bank transfer only. You need to provide account details for processing refund, if any.

Step 5: Attend skype interview on specified date and time.

Step 5: Results of Skype interview will be notified as soon as we hear from the Harvard University scientist.

Step 6: If you are selected and you want to go for internship, pay Consultation Fee of Rs. 65,000 (rupees sixty-five thousand) by bank transfer and note down transaction ID. Send a mail to [contact@proudscholar.com](mailto:contact@proudscholar.com) confirming that you are going for internship. In the subject, mention Consultation Fee and Transaction ID.

Step 6. You will be issued formal offer letter by the Harvard University scientist and you will be put in direct contact with Harvard University scientist for doing rest of the procedure for your internship. Our role essentially ends here. It is up to you to provide all necessary documents and financial proofs to the get papers for VISA application, get VISA, plan for your travel and stay as per your preference.

Consultation Fee will be fully refunded if formal offer letter is not issued or if you are not able to appear for VISA due to any administrative issues from Harvard University. However, it is non-refundable, if you fail to provide required documents or meet the eligibility criteria to issue papers for VISA processing or you are denied VISA or deported at point of entry. Before paying the consultation fee, you are strongly advised to consult with US consulate or VISA agents to make sure you have all documents to apply for VISA.