MINOR IN BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH
COLLEGE OF LETTERS & SCIENCES
Division of Life Sciences

PURPOSE: Launched in Spring 2007, this interdepartmental Minor is designed to involve students in laboratory research at an early point in the college career. The program includes laboratory research time, analysis of research literature, oral presentation of research data, science policy and ethics, and history or philosophy of science. The curriculum is intended to train students in both the process of scientific research and social issues facing science today, promote excellence, and create “science citizens”.

80% of alumni continue on to pursue a higher degree

- MD 43%
- PhD 28%
- MD-PhD 18%
- MS, PharmD, DMD or Other 11%

200+ Students currently in the program

1000+ Students trained in over 350 labs on campus

42% Alumni with at least one publication from their thesis research

500+ Papers published by students in the program

https://www.biomedresearchminor.ucla.edu/
**APPLYING TO THE MINOR**

- Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA
- Enroll in one introductory course:
  - Biomedical Research 5HA
  - Biomedical Research 10H
  - MCDB 30H
  - Honors 70A
- The earliest you can apply to the Minor is during the Quarter that you’re taking the Introductory Course.
- The last chance to apply for the Minor is the Fall Quarter of your 3rd year as an undergraduate.
- Transfer students should plan to take an Intro course and apply to the Minor during the first or second quarter at UCLA.
- Applications to the Minor can be submitted online at biomedresearchminor.ucla.edu
- Applications are taken Fall, Winter, and Spring quarters, starting in Week 4, and are due by Friday of Week 7.

**REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPLETION OF THE MINOR**

- Minimum of 4 quarters of Lab Research SRP198 or SRP199
- BR 5HB Biomedical Research: Essential Skills and Concepts
- BR 193H Journal Club Seminar
- BR 194H Research Group Seminar
- MCDB 60 Biomedical Ethics
- One Upper Division History or Philosophy of Science elective
- Submit a Senior Research Thesis after at least 4 quarters of lab
- Presentation of your research at a Poster Session or Conference
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA during the program

*Substitutions and exceptions may apply if completing research through special programs.

**HOW TO GET MORE INFO ABOUT THE MINOR**

- Visit the website biomedresearchminor.ucla.edu
- Email our team at bmdresminor@lifesci.ucla.edu
- Meet with Biomedical Research Minor Faculty and Staff in Hershey Hall 200
- Take an introductory course

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