

Student Interns



Kate Wang, '19 & '20
Canyon Crest Academy

"If you are fortunate to be surrounded by inspired people, as I was at Scripps, you will find your way."

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Scripps Research's motto is "Science Changing Life." It sure changed mine!

Sara Smith, '18, '19 & '20
Scripps Ranch HS to UC Berkeley



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I loved working with mentors and fellow interns! I learned and grew so much from this experience and really came to appreciate the value and beauty of translational science.

Cathy Lu, '17
Penn State to Sidney Kimmel Medical College



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Every morning I woke up excited to go into the lab. Seeing how mutations within the Zika virus had been used to track the movement of the outbreak internationally has helped me realize the importance of genomics research in improving disease monitoring. It has prepared me for my undergrad work at Harvard.

Garyk Brix, '18 & '19
Winston Churchill HS to Harvard



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The best takeaway from this internship was to be open. I was taught how to be collaborative, yet independent in my learning process. This opportunity completely changed the career and college major I had been planning for myself.

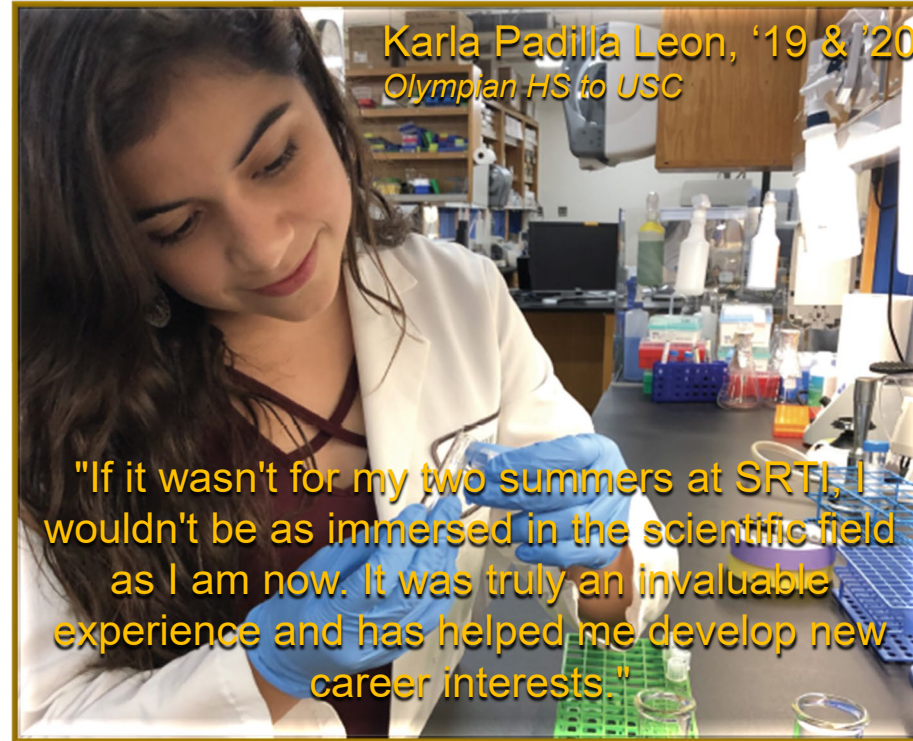
Samhita Nittala, '19
Mira Loma HS



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This internship program was fantastic! The structure helped me to establish clear, achievable objectives, and stay accountable to them. I grew both in a technical sense as well as in a professional sense. By the end I was able to collaborate, communicate, and present technical results far better than I ever had before.

Christina Sousa, '18
UCSD to Ohio State University



Karla Padilla Leon, '19 & '20
Olympian HS to USC

"If it wasn't for my two summers at SRTI, I wouldn't be as immersed in the scientific field as I am now. It was truly an invaluable experience and has helped me develop new career interests."

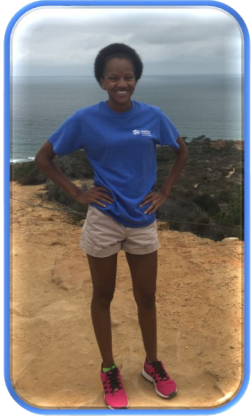
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My internship experience at Scripps Research has taught me more than I ever imagined I could learn in just one summer. My mentors were so helpful in teaching me what I needed to do in the lab, as well as how to think like an independent scientific researcher.

Brian Balo, '19 & '20
Cathedral Catholic High School

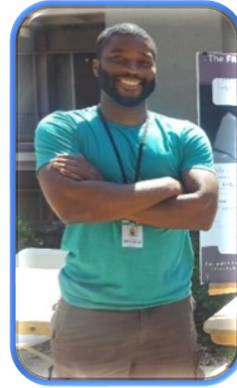


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“It was such an enriching experience to see patients in the hospital with my mentor and see her interact with the interdisciplinary team. Now I am seriously considering doing a fellowship in palliative medicine.

Reonna Smith, '18
Meharry Medical School



“This program broadened my perspective on clinical research. I was exposed to clinical research opportunities involving various specialties of medicine, along with many potential applications of the research. I also was able to obtain my first exposure to my now chosen medical specialty.

Eric Johnson, '17
Meharry Medical School



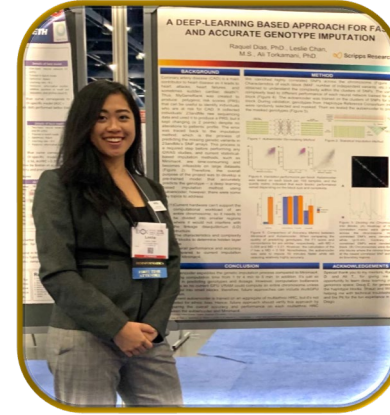
“The program not only allows students to explore translational research in an environment that is welcome to questions, but also provides professional development that will be useful no matter what field you choose to go into.

Yvonne Cottrell, '18
Meharry Medical School

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“ The internship allowed me to be passionate about a project, which pushed me to acquire new skills and hone it in. The tasks could be difficult, but I owe it to my mentor and coworkers who made it a great environment to experiment and feel safe to make errors. It allowed me to know what I want personally in a workplace, what type of work I enjoy most, and the types of people that would allow me to thrive and foster.

Leslie Chan, '19 & '20
Keck Graduate Institute (KGI)



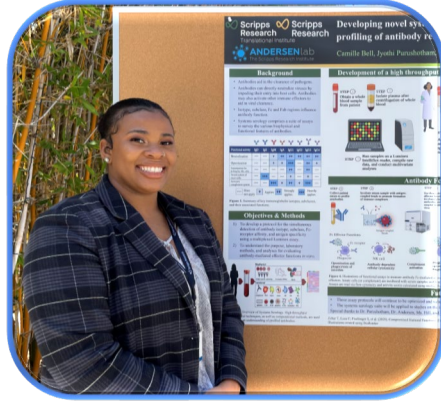
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“ SRTI Internship provided an excellent opportunity to further develop my academic interests, working in a professional environment, and personal development.

Eric Song, '21
UCSD

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“ This experience will significantly help shape how students and future scientists see medicine and science because they will be directly engaged in projects.



Camille Bell, '22
Keck Graduate Institute

“ This internship is a good experience to learn and be better at your professional career.

Joselyn De Jesus Gonzalez, '22
Ponce Health Sciences University

“ This internship was amazing and super helpful in my biochemistry career path.



Anush Salaniwal, '22
Scripps Ranch High School

“ After joining the Scripps Internship, I was exposed to a breadth of knowledge thanks to the mentorship of my lab and my mentor, Joshua Levy - a PhD with background in Systems Biology. As a data science student, this new perspective gave me a look into how data and biology work to understand the systems underlying virus mutation and epidemiological patterns which spread diseases.



Alexis Ambriz, '22
UCSD

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You might fail a thousand times, but at least its better than saying you've never tried.

Srika Popuri, '23 & '24
Rancho Bernardo High School



“ This internship was a great way to discover the different aspects of research and the role it plays in our lives.

Parmida Ghasemi, '23 & '24
Rancho Bernardo High School

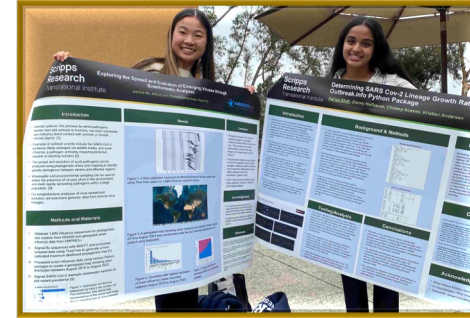


Jasmine Ma, '23 & '24
Thomas Jefferson High School for Science and Technology

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Don't worry about looking stupid. Learning is the whole point of an internship.

Jacob Todd, '23
Yale University



Aanya Shah, '23
Troy High School

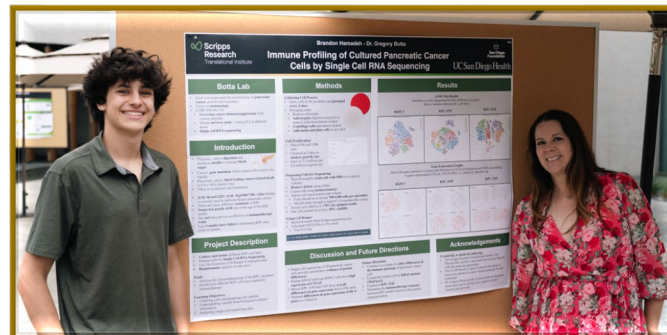
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Being able to participate in the SRTI internship program has been one of the most inspiring and rewarding experiences in my educational journey so far. My mentors were extremely supportive and helpful throughout the entire process and taught me various research skills, such as data analysis and problem-solving. I'm extremely grateful for the opportunity to work with amazing scientists at Scripps Research and to participate in the seminars and presentations.

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The Scripps Research internship at as such an amazing experience. I learned so much about lab work and bioinformatics and made relationships I will never forget!

Brandon Hamadeh, '23 & '24
Torrey Pines High School

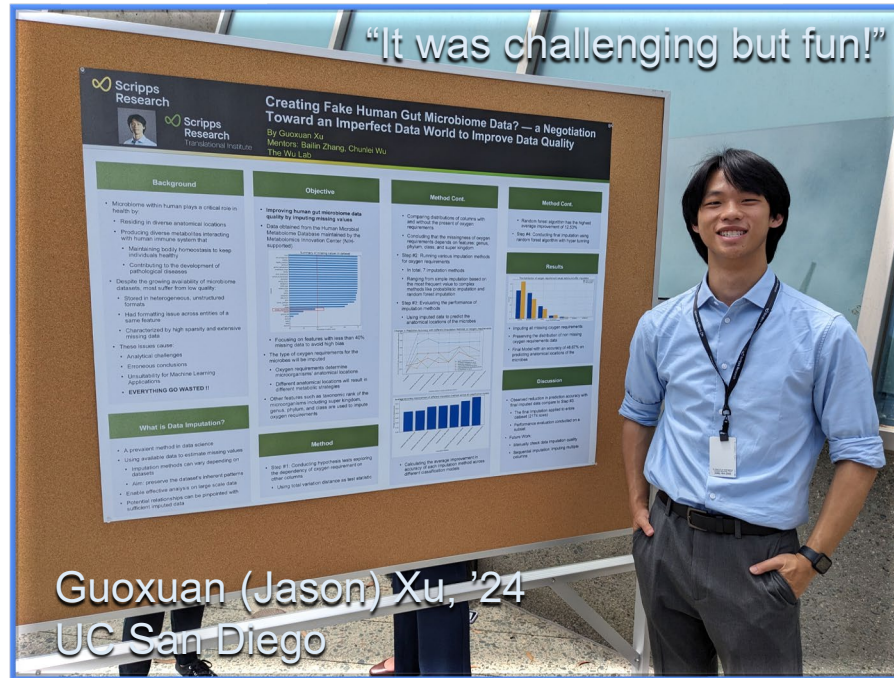


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I gained experience and insight into what research really looks like. It was my first time understanding where some of the innovations that pioneer the technologies and knowledge we have today come from. I additionally learned much about Ochem and lab techniques.

Justin Zhang, '24
Canyon Crest Academy



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I think the SRTI internship is invaluable if you are considering a career in biomedical field. This is definitely one of the highlights of my educational journey!

Anastasia Kurakova, '24
San Diego State University



TSRI has allowed me to grow both professionally and personally! I value the work culture, diversity, and innovation.

Riya Irigireddy, '23 & '24
UC Berkeley

“ SRTI Program was a perfect insight onto the research field.

Wilson Tabzon, '24
MiraCosta College