

Summer Opportunities to Prepare Students for Health Careers



EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM

at



2009

Science, Language Arts and Mathematics (SLAM)
Workshops

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9th through 11th graders:

Do you want to

- Enhance your Language Arts, Mathematics and Science skills?
- Improve your reading and test taking skills?
- Become a well-rounded student, prepared to excel in college?
- Learn details about the Jackson Heart Study and cardiovascular diseases?
- Learn about career opportunities in the health sciences?
- Get paid \$\$ in the process?

If the answer is yes, you should consider the Science, Language Arts and Mathematics (SLAM) Workshops sponsored by the Jackson Heart Study Undergraduate Training Center at Tougaloo College.

SLAM Workshop I: 9th and 10th graders **June 29- July 27, 2009 (July 6th –Holiday)**

SLAM Workshop II: 10th and 11th graders **June 1-26, 2009**

SLAM Workshop III: 11th graders **June 1-26, 2009**

(10th and 11th graders will be placed in either Workshops II or III based upon the courses taken or currently being taken in high school.)

Structure of the workshops:

- There is no fee for attending the workshops.
- Upon successful completion of the workshop each participant will receive a stipend.
- All workshop sessions include classes in Science, Language Arts, and Mathematics.
- Classes are taught by experienced teachers from Tougaloo College and Jackson area high schools.
- Classes are held Monday through Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM.
- Lunch and snacks will be provided.
- **HOUSING WILL NOT BE PROVIDED.**

Application procedure for new students:

- Complete the application on page four. **(THE APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED)**
- A one page essay that answers the following questions: (i) what are your career goals; (ii) how will participating in this program help you achieve those goals; (iii) what extracurricular activities are you involved in; (iv) how do you keep up with current events; and (v) do you read and if so what do you read and how often. ***This essay should be typed on a separate sheet of paper.***
- Tenth and Eleventh graders must submit an official High School Transcript.
- Ninth graders must submit the most recent report card.
- Have recommendations sent to the JHS-UTC by two teachers. One recommendation must be from a math or science teacher.
- **Students invited to return to SLAM II or III need not fill out this application, but must submit their grades for the current year and write a brief essay describing their extracurricular activities and/or achievements during the academic year.**

Selection criteria for new students:

- ❖ Overall Grade Point Average
- ❖ Courses taken or soon to be taken
- ❖ Standardized test scores
- ❖ Recommendation letters
- ❖ Essay quality

What is the Jackson Heart Study (JHS)?

The African-American population in Mississippi has the highest mortality rate from cardiovascular disease in the United States. The *National Institutes of Health* has established this study in Jackson to investigate the factors causing this major health problem. This project, which is the only one of its type in the United States, involves the three institutions in Jackson-Tougaloo College, Jackson State University, and the University of Mississippi Medical Center and the *National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute* and *National center on Minority Health and Health Disparities*.

Role of the Undergraduate Training Center

The role of the Education and Training Program (ETP) at Tougaloo College is to increase the number of college graduates entering health-related fields. A key component of this project is the Science, Language Arts, and Mathematics (SLAM) program. The SLAM program's goal is to provide a large pool of well-trained high school students who, upon entering college, can successfully complete the curriculum requirements at an undergraduate college and have the necessary background and interest to pursue health careers. Tougaloo College's summer workshops are designed to provide excellent preparation for success in higher studies and to pursue advanced degrees in health professions.

Application deadline- March 20, 2009

(No Exceptions)

SEND COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:

SLAM Workshops
JHSETP
Tougaloo College
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**JACKSON HEART STUDY
EDUCATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM
TOUGALOO COLLEGE**

**SLAM
APPLICATION FORM**

DEADLINE FOR APPLIATION: March 20, 2009

**(The application must be typed. Hand written and/or incomplete applications will not be processed)
(Remember to submit your essay and transcript of grades along with this form. Also,
remember to give the recommendation forms to the teachers who have agreed to
write on your behalf).**

Name:

_____ (Last) _____ (First)
(MI)

Gender: Female Male

Date of Birth: _____ S.S.# _____ - _____ - _____

Mailing Address: _____

City, State, and Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

School in which you are currently enrolled: _____

School mailing address (City State and Zip code): _____

Grade currently enrolled in 9th 10th 11th

Year expected to graduate from High School: _____

Parent/Guardian name _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Number: _____

It is your responsibility to ensure that all documents needed to complete your application have been sent in by the deadline date of March 20, 2009.

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RECOMMENDATION FORM

To the Student: Please type your name and school name on the line below and give this form to the teachers who have agreed to write a recommendation for you. Remember that one recommendation must come from either a science or math teacher.

Student Name: _____ School: _____

To the Teacher: The above named student is applying for the 2009 Science, Language Arts, and Math (SLAM) Summer Program. Please answer each question based on the applicant's character and academic ability. Your recommendation will be one of the criteria used in the selection process. Please fax (601.977.4488) or mail (Director, JHSETP, Tougaloo College, Tougaloo, MS 39174) your recommendation before the **March 20, 2009** dead-line. If you have any questions, please call the Jackson Heart Study-ETP office at 601. 977.7816 or 601. 977.7820.

I have known the above student for _____ years, _____ months

I have taught this student the following course/courses: _____

For each category, please indicate this applicant's ranking in relation to other students you have taught:

	Top 10%	Top 25%	Top 50%	No Basis for Ranking
Academic Abilities				
Maturity and emotional stability				
Ability to get along with others				
Sense of responsibility				
Motivation and Initiative				
Self-confidence				
Conduct and Behavior.				
Communication Skills:				
Overall evaluation				

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- Does the student come to class regularly and on time?
- Does the student turn in assignments on time?
- Is the student attentive in class?
- Does the student participate in class discussions?
- Will the student benefit from this program and in what ways.

Would you recommend this applicant for this program?

Highly without reservation with reservation

Comments:

Name	Signature	Date
Position	School/Department	
School Address	City, State, Zip	
Home or School Telephone	Fax	E-Mail

We appreciate your candid evaluation.

Please mail or Fax the completed evaluation form before the March 20, 2009 deadline directly to:
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