

**National Center for Rehabilitative Auditory Research (NCRAR)  
NIH T-35 Summer Research Traineeships for Au.D. Students**

The NCRAR, located at the Portland VA Medical Center in Portland Oregon, has four student traineeships available for summer 2014 that will be awarded to outstanding students currently enrolled in a graduate program leading to the Doctorate of Audiology (Au.D.) degree. These traineeships are funded by a grant from the National Institutes on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD). Students from all Au.D. programs in the U.S.A. are eligible to apply for this three-month summer program.

Student trainees will work alongside scientists on one or more hearing-related studies. In addition to learning first hand about the process of carrying out clinical research in audiology, students will attend seminars and lectures by clinical scientists, and will be active participants in ongoing discussions of current and future auditory research at the NCRAR. Lectures and discussions concerning the research process and ethics in research will be held. At the end of the three-month traineeship, students will be expected to provide a presentation to the NCRAR staff describing the research in which they have participated.

Each trainee will be paid a stipend of \$1,836 per month. As a special bonus, NIDCD has offered to fund travel scholarships to each trainee to attend the next meeting of the American Auditory Society, held every year in the spring.

**Eligibility:**

- Must be enrolled in an accredited Au.D. graduate program
- Must not be currently enrolled in a Ph.D. program (joint Au.D./Ph.D programs are OK)
- Must have had at least one year of graduate work in the Au.D. program
- Must commit to a traineeship at the NCRAR for **three months** in the summer. (Under special circumstances, it may be possible to work out a shorter time period if the graduate program cannot accommodate the student's full three-month absence. However the monthly stipend will have to be prorated if participation is less than three full months. **We strongly encourage students to stay for the full three months. If this is not possible please let us know up front.**)
- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident

**If you would like to apply, please:**

- Discuss your interest in participation in this program with your faculty advisor.
- Correspond via email with Dr. Gabrielle Saunders at the NCRAR, indicating an interest in applying for the program.
- Complete the application form and obtain all letters of recommendation as specified.
- Write a 1-2 page description of what you hope to gain from this research experience. Feel free to consult with your faculty advisor on this.
- Send a CV or resume that describes your professional and academic background

**Send your application form and letters of recommendation by email to Dr. Saunders at [Gabrielle.Saunders@va.gov](mailto:Gabrielle.Saunders@va.gov)**

***Deadline for receipt of applications for Summer 2014 is January 15, 2014  
Decisions regarding awarding of the traineeships will be made by February 1st, 2014***