Columbia Undergraduate Business Scholars (CUBS) Program

The mission of the Columbia Undergraduate Business Scholarship (CUBS) Program is to increase participation of students from underrepresented groups in business research. The program is designed to prepare current Columbia and Barnard undergraduates for a career in business research. CUBS are paired with faculty for whom they work as paid research assistants. This apprenticeship model exposes CUBS to the research challenges tackled in business school settings, teaches them basic research and data-analytics skills, and provides insight into careers in academia.

Eligibility
Students are eligible to apply in their first or second years of their undergraduate studies. This is a multi-disciplinary program, and candidates from all disciplines — including business, statistics, mathematics, engineering, computer science, the physical sciences, and the social and behavioral sciences — are encouraged to apply. The ideal candidate is curious, organized, eager to learn, interested in learning more about a career in academia, and capable of independent work. We encourage students from diverse and underrepresented communities to apply.

Program Details
CUBS are paired with one of our esteemed faculty in one of CBS’ academic divisions: Accounting; Decision, Risk, & Operations; Economics; Finance; Management; or Marketing. CUBS will learn basic research methodology and develop stronger data analytics skills. The work may include literature reviews, data collection and cleaning, basic data analysis, and the use of statistical software and computer programming languages. CUBS are paid to work 10 hours per week for their faculty sponsor at a rate of $22 per hour. The program runs through the academic year, from September through May.

Application
Students need to submit a resume, a brief statement of interest or cover letter, and their transcripts. The application portal will open in April 2023 with an application deadline of May 16, 2023. To apply fill out the application: https://columbia.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bwLKL6xrhP6GmG

Information Sessions
We will be holding zoom information sessions about the program and application process on the following dates:

- Thursday April 27, 12:00 - 1:00 pm
- Friday April 28, 10:00 - 11:00 am
- Monday May 1, 3:00 - 4:00 pm

Join Zoom Meeting
https://gsb-columbia-edu.zoom.us/j/94878986963?pwd=OWdtcHRsbml2cmJvN0xXeXVMSno2dz09
Meeting ID: 948 7898 6963
Passcode: 390510

If you have any questions about the program or application, contact Khaled Hamdy, Director of Research at predoc@gsb.columbia.edu.

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