



RHISE HBI-Oxford Summer Research Exchange

Consistent with the memorandum of understanding between the Hotchkiss Brain Institute (HBI) and the University of Oxford, we are issuing a request for applications to participate in the RHISE HBI-Oxford Summer Research Exchange.

The *Rebecca Hotchkiss International Scholar Exchange (RHISE) program* will accept applications from BSc Neuroscience students and University of Oxford Psychology and Biomedical Sciences students in their penultimate year to fund full-time summer research exchanges between the two institutions. The award will reimburse living and travel expenses and provide a stipend to top up external funding to a maximum of **\$1,500/month**.

These exchanges are for advancing the strategic research agenda of our institutions. By offering these exchanges we anticipate that trainees will benefit by learning new techniques or skills and broaden their approaches to neuroscience research. We expect that some trainees will also use these exchanges as an opportunity to create research collaborations and explore future career possibilities in Calgary and/or Oxford.

ELIGIBILITY:

HBI Undergraduates

Third year BSc Neuroscience students who are committed to completing their degree program may be considered for summer research exchanges at a University of Oxford lab

OR

University of Oxford Undergraduates

Oxford Psychology or Biomedical Sciences undergraduates in the penultimate year of their degree may apply for summer research exchanges at a lab of a full HBI member

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Successful applicants are required to apply for external awards (University of Calgary International Studentships etc) to fund their summer research. Stipends topping up external funding to a maximum of \$1,500 CAD/month will be provided to offset subsistence costs.
- In the case of exchangees not obtaining external funding, the HBI and Oxford will pay their respective trainees' stipends.
- Participants must commit to spending a minimum three months of full-time research. Funding will be guaranteed from three to a maximum of four months.
- RHISE Oxford awards can only be awarded once per applicant.
- Applications will not be considered retrospectively. All costs must be approved up front.
- The HBI will reimburse the cost of transport by coach from a UK airport to Oxford.
- The HBI will reimburse public transport costs (train, bus, bicycle etc) from RHISE accommodation to the place of undertaking research to a maximum of \$90/month.
- The application form and all supporting documents must be completed in English.
- The HBI will cover the cost of exchangees' visa application, but exchangees are responsible for ensuring they meet all conditions stipulated by the foreign government, including demonstrating adequate financial resources to obtain a visa.
- Receipts for all expenses must be submitted to the HBI Education Coordinator within one month of the completion of travel.
- At the end of the exchange, a report will be required, summarizing the results and providing feedback on the experience

CITIZENSHIP: Unrestricted

WHERE TENABLE: Hotchkiss Brain Institute, University of Calgary
The University of Oxford

APPLY: Attach the following to the application:

- unofficial or official transcripts from home institution
- one academic reference
- academic CV

Completed application forms and all attachments should be submitted as one PDF file by email to the HBI Education Coordinator, jason.ng1@ucalgary.ca.

All applications will be adjudicated by a committee comprised of faculty members from the HBI and the University of Oxford, followed up by a phone interview between the applicant and their prospective supervisor. Applications will be evaluated based on the merit of the candidate and their ability to act as an ambassador for their home institution.

NEXT DEADLINE: October 30, 2016