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HEALTH CARE

Holden Comprehensive
Cancer Center

Summer Healthcare Experience (SHE) in Oncology

SHE (Summer Healthcare Experience) **in Oncology** is a virtual, multi-institutional, synchronous program for high school students. Current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors interested in STEMM are encouraged to apply. Program activities are designed to foster an interest in health-related careers, recognizing the unique challenges of rural Iowans. Programming is delivered in part through a partnership with [eCLOSE Institute](#). SHE in Oncology is funded by the [American Cancer Society](#).

Program Description:

The [Holden Comprehensive Cancer Center](#) at the University of Iowa is pleased to enroll up to 20 SHE in Oncology applicants each year. Over the course of two weeks, students collaborate with peers from the Midwest on a genetics-based research project and a patient case study project to explore facets of cancer science and clinical care. Students also participate in faculty lectures, panel discussions, and skill-building workshops to acquire knowledge and network for their next steps on biomedical career pathways.

Eligibility

- Full-time high school student status at the time of application (rising sophomore, junior, or senior in Summer 2025)
- Strong interest in a career in scientific research, biomedicine, or another cancer-related field
- Ability to commit to the full two-week program (July 21–August 1, 2025, Mon–Fri, 4 hours/day)
- Resident of Iowa
- U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident

Questions:

STEM-K12-Cancer@uiowa.edu

Benefits

- Mentorship from researchers in the cancer science field
- Network of faculty and peers across program sites
- Targeted career development workshops with professionals in cancer research and care
- Lab kits for the experiments related to the program
- \$500 taxable stipend

Apply by May 15, 2025:

<https://stem-k12-cancer.sites.uiowa.edu/she-oncology>



Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to attend all University of Iowa-sponsored events. If you are a person with a disability who requires a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in this program, please contact STEM-K12-Cancer@uiowa.edu in advance.

