The CCBS Undergraduate Summer Institute (CUSI) is an eight-session survey program designed for undergraduate students who will be working a minimum of 10 hours per week as an Undergraduate Research Assistant within an Ohio State University Lab for the duration of the program.

CUSI is an interactive program comprised of research talks and professional training and development workshops for promising undergraduates who may pursue research careers in academic or industry settings. The research content spans the various sub-disciplines of cognitive and brain sciences, while the training and development workshops cover topics including writing, being an effective undergraduate researcher, applying to graduate school, and promoting/sustaining diversity in the research environment. The goal of CUSI is to complement your in-lab research training with career development, while connecting you to a community of like-minded hard working and talented individuals. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic CUSI will begin meeting virtually for the Summer 2021 term. If University guidelines allow, CUSI may switch to an in person format.

Engaging Lectures and Experiential Learning

CUSI offers lectures on relevant topics in the cognitive sciences, delivered by world-renowned faculty who are conducting cutting-edge research in their field; as well as hands-on workshops and panel discussions designed to prepare you for graduate school and a career in the field of cognitive science.

Applications accepted April 21st - May 10th

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June 6th - August 2nd, 2021
Mondays, 10 am - 1 pm

Career Development
- Interview Etiquette
- Careers outside Academia
- Attending Conferences
- Applying to Grad School
- Keys to Writing Research Proposals
- Promoting Diversity and Inclusion

Research Talks
- Perception
- Language
- Cognitive Development
- Decision Making
- Philosophy
- Neural Networks
- Cognitive Neuroscience
- Neuroeconomics
- Artificial Intelligence
- Memory

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“What was most notable was the sincere enthusiasm from the faculty and graduate students. They were really excited to take part in the program, and were very approachable for discussion.”

“I learned that there are an immense amount of research disciplines within the cognitive science field that can be attained at both a graduate and professional level.”

- Application Process -

The online application can be found at our website: cog.osu.edu

Applications consist of:

- University transcript
- Current resume or CV
- Statement of interest (500 words or less)
- Signed Faculty Supervisor Agreement Form

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