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Dear Colleagues,

The Comprehensive Research Experience for Medical Students (**CREMS**) **Summer Research Program** is now accepting **faculty submissions for 2025**. A detailed description of the Program can be found on [CREMS Summer Research Program Website](#).

Please **submit proposed research projects** on the attached **CREMS Supervisor and Project Information Form** (by email only) to crems.programs@utoronto.ca by **February 10, 2025**. Faculty may only submit **1 project per year**.

Submitted projects will be reviewed and scored by the adjudication committee. We typically receive 100-120 applications and can fund 40-50 projects. CREMS positions will be offered to the supervisor/projects with the highest scores. We expect to complete the adjudication process by mid to late March.

Accepted projects will then be posted to the CREMS website and first and second year medical students will be invited to apply directly to you. You are asked to briefly meet and interview the applicants and **select one student** that you would prefer to work with. In the interest of fairness, we require that you **do not pre-select** a student to work with. The students have expressed major concerns about this matter and so we ask that you **interview at least 5 students who apply to your project**. We will ask that you list the students that were interviewed so that we may show anyone with doubts that this is a fair process.

We only allow **ONE** student per project. Once the selection is made you will **notify the CREMS office by April 30, 2025**.

If your project is selected, you are agreeing to cover the supervisor portion of student stipend. Students will receive a total of \$6,000 for the 10-week period; CREMS will contribute \$2,750 and the **supervisor is responsible for \$3,250**. The Supervisor is responsible for arranging student payment for their portion of the stipend according to the guidelines of their hospitals or research institutes. The student must *clear* \$3250 after all deductions. The supervisor is also responsible for any extraneous study or travel expenses.

The CREMS Program runs full-time for 10 weeks, from June to August. Any time off, including holidays, must be coordinated with the supervisor and do not count towards the required 10 weeks.

Please make sure to read the [CREMS Summer Research Program Website](#) to familiarize yourself with the application process.

Please don't hesitate to reach out to me should you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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